

# AN INDEX TO THE QUR'AN

If all the trees on earth were  
pens and all the sea,  
with seven more seas besides  
was ink Allah's words still  
would not dry.

Allah is Almighty, All-Wise.

(Qur'an, 31:27)



HARUN YAHYA

**I**t is the most important duty of a true believer to understand the Qur'an and live by it. A believer has to know the Qur'an very well in order to be guided to the right way, to fulfil the commands of Allah completely, to revere Him properly and to evaluate all issues from the Qur'an's viewpoint.

In this index, similar subjects have been grouped together, and the words in the verses have been catalogued alphabetically to help the reader to learn the rulings of the Qur'an on a specific subject and to make research easier.

It is hoped that this study also helps those who aim to attain the good pleasure, mercy and Paradise of Allah by learning the Qur'an and living by it.



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The author, who writes under the pen-name Harun Yahya, was born in Ankara in 1956. He studied arts at Istanbul's Mimar Sinan University, and philosophy at Istanbul University. Since the 1980s, the author has published many books on political, faith-related and scientific issues. Greatly appreciated all around the world, these works have been

instrumental in helping many to return their faith in Allah, and, in many others, to gain a deeper insight into their faith. Harun Yahya's books appeal to all kinds of readers, regardless of their age, race, or nationality, for they focus on one objective: to broaden the reader's perspective by encouraging him or her to think about a number of critical issues, such as the existence of Allah and His unity, and to live by the values He prescribed for

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His pen-name is a composite of the names *Harun* (Aaron) and *Yahya* (John), in memory of the two esteemed Prophets who fought against their people's lack of faith. The Prophet's seal on the his books' covers is symbolic and is linked to the their contents. It represents the Qur'an (the final scripture) and the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him), last of the prophets. Under the guidance of the Qur'an and the Sunnah (teachings of the Prophet), the author makes it his purpose to disprove each fundamental tenet of godless ideologies and to have the "last word," so as to completely silence the objections raised against religion. He uses the seal of the final Prophet, who attained ultimate wisdom and moral perfection, as a sign of his intention to offer the last word.

All of Harun Yahya's works share one single goal: to convey the Qur'an's message, encourage readers to consider basic faith-related issues such as Allah's Existence and Unity and the hereafter; and to expose godless systems' feeble foundations and perverted ideologies.

Harun Yahya enjoys a wide readership in many countries, from India to America, England to Indonesia, Poland to Bosnia, and Spain to Brazil. Some of his books are available in English, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, Urdu, Arabic, Albanian, Russian, Serbo-Croat (Bosnian), Polish, Malay, Uygur Turkish, and Indonesian.

Greatly appreciated all around the world, these works have been instrumental in many people recovering faith in Allah and gaining deeper insights into their faith. His books' wisdom and sincerity, together with a distinct style that's easy to understand, directly affect anyone who reads them. Those who seriously consider these books, can no longer advo-

cate atheism or any other perverted ideology or materialistic philosophy, since these books are characterized by rapid effectiveness, definite results, and irrefutability. Even if they continue to do so, it will be only a sentimental insistence, since these books refute such ideologies from their very foundations. All contemporary movements of denial are now ideologically defeated, thanks to the books written by Harun Yahya.

This is no doubt a result of the Qur'an's wisdom and lucidity. The author modestly intends to serve as a means in humanity's search for Allah's right path. No material gain is sought in the publication of these works.

Those who encourage others to read these books, to open their minds and hearts and guide them to become more devoted servants of Allah, render an invaluable service.

Meanwhile, it would only be a waste of time and energy to propagate other books that create confusion in people's minds, lead them into ideological chaos, and that clearly have no strong and precise effects in removing the doubts in people's hearts, as also verified from previous experience. It is impossible for books devised to emphasize the author's literary power rather than the noble goal of saving people from loss of faith, to have such a great effect. Those who doubt this can readily see that the sole aim of Harun Yahya's books is to overcome disbelief and to disseminate the Qur'an's moral values. The success and impact of this service are manifested in the readers' conviction.

One point should be kept in mind: The main reason for the continuing cruelty, conflict, and other ordeals endured by the vast majority of people is the ideological prevalence of disbelief. This can be ended only with the ideological defeat of disbelief and by conveying the wonders of creation and Qur'anic morality so that people can live by it. Considering the state of the world today, leading into a downward spiral of violence, corruption and conflict, clearly this service must be provided speedily and effectively, or it may be too late.

In this effort, the books of Harun Yahya assume a leading role. By the will of Allah, these books will be a means through which people in the twentyfirst century will attain the peace, justice, and happiness promised in the Qur'an.

## **TO THE READER**

A special chapter is assigned to the collapse of the theory of evolution because this theory constitutes the basis of all anti-spiritual philosophies. Since Darwinism rejects the fact of creation—and therefore, Allah's Existence—over the last 140 years it has caused many people to abandon their faith or fall into doubt. It is therefore an imperative service, a very important duty to show everyone that this theory is a deception. Since some readers may find the chance to read only one of our book, we think it appropriate to devote a chapter to summarize this subject.

All the author's books explain faith-related issues in light of Qur'anic verses, and invite readers to learn Allah's words and to live by them. All the subjects concerning Allah's verses are explained so as to leave no doubt or room for questions in the reader's mind. The books' sincere, plain, and fluent style ensure that everyone of every age and from every social group can easily understand them. Thanks to their effective, lucid narrative, they can be read at a one sitting. Even those who rigorously reject spirituality are influenced by the facts these books document and cannot refute the truthfulness of their contents.

This and all the other books by the author can be read individually, or discussed in a group. Readers eager to profit from the books will find discussion very useful, letting them relate their reflections and experiences to one another.

In addition, it will be a great service to Islam to contribute to the publication and reading of these books, written solely for the pleasure of Allah. The author's books are all extremely convincing. For this reason, to communicate true religion to others, one of the most effective methods is encouraging them to read these books.

We hope the reader will look through the reviews of his other books at the back of this book. His rich source material on faith-related issues is very useful, and a pleasure to read.

In these books, unlike some other books, you will not find the author's personal views, explanations based on dubious sources, styles that are unobservant of the respect and reverence due to sacred subjects, nor hopeless, pessimistic arguments that create doubts in the mind and deviations in the heart.

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# A

## AARON (SEE HARUN (AS))

### ABASEMENT

And when you said, ‘Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces—its green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,’ he said, ‘Do you want to replace what is better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.’ Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon themselves. That was because they rejected Allah’s Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

Say, ‘O Allah! Master of the Kingdom! You give sovereignty to whoever You will You take sovereignty from whoever You will. You exalt whoever You will You abase whoever You will. All good is in Your hands. You have power over all things.’ (3:26) They will be plunged into abasement wherever they are found, unless they have a treaty with Allah and with the people. They have brought down anger from Allah upon themselves, and they have been plunged into destitution. That was because they rejected Allah’s Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they disobeyed and went beyond the limits. (3:112)

He said, ‘Descend from Heaven. It is not for you to be arrogant in it. So get out! You are one of the abased.’ (7:13)

As for those who adopted the Calf, anger from their Lord will overtake them together with abasement in the life of this world. That is how we repay the purveyors of falsehood. (7:152)

Fight those of the people who were given the Book who do not believe in Allah and the Last Day and who do not make forbidden what Allah and His Messenger have made forbidden and do not take as their religion the religion of Truth, until they pay the poll tax with their own hands in a state of complete abasement. (9:29)

If you do not help him, Allah did help him when those who disbelieved drove him out and there

were two of them in the Cave. He said to his companion, ‘Do not be despondent, Allah is with us.’ Then Allah sent down His serenity upon him and reinforced him with troops you could not see. He made the word of those who disbelieved undermost. It is the word of Allah which is uppermost. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:40)

And say: ‘Praise be to Allah Who has had no son and Who has no partner in His Kingdom and Who needs no one to protect Him from abasement.’ And proclaim His Greatness repeatedly! (17:111)

She (Queen of Sheba) said, ‘When kings enter a city, they lay waste to it and make its mightiest inhabitants the most abased. That is what they too will do.’ (27:34)

(Sulayman said,) ‘Return to them. We will come to them with troops they cannot face and we will expel them from it abased and humiliated.’ (27:37) They tried to outwit him but We made them the lowest. (37:98)

You will see them as they are exposed to it, abject in their abasement, glancing around them furtively. Those who believe will say, ‘Truly the losers are those who lose themselves and their families on the Day of Rising.’ The wrongdoers are in an everlasting punishment. (42:45)

Those who oppose Allah and His Messenger will be subdued and overcome as those before them were also subdued and overcome. We have sent down Clear Signs. The disbelievers will have a humiliating punishment. (58:5)

Those who oppose Allah and His Messenger, such people will be among the most abased. (58:20)

Whatever palm-trees you cut down, or left standing upright on their roots, it was done by Allah’s permission in order to disgrace the deviators. (59:5)

### ABEL (HÂBIL) AND CAIN (QÂBIL)

Recite to them the true report of Adam’s two sons when they offered a sacrifice and it was accepted from one of them but not accepted from the other. The one said, ‘I shall kill you.’ The other said, ‘Allah only accepts from people who guard against evil. Even if you do raise your hand against me to kill me, I am not going to raise my hand against you to kill you. Truly I fear Allah, the Lord of all the

worlds. I want you to take on both my wrongdoing and your wrongdoing and so become one of the Companions of the Fire. That is the repayment of the wrongdoers.' So his lower self persuaded him to kill his brother, and he killed him and became one of the lost. (5:27-30)

### **ABLUTION**

You who believe! Do not approach the prayer when you are drunk, so that you will know what you are saying, nor in a state of major impurity—unless you are travelling—until you have washed yourselves completely. If you are ill or on a journey, or any of you have come from the lavatory or touched women, and you cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, wiping your faces and your hands. Allah is Ever-Pardoning, Ever-Forgiving. (4:43)

You who believe! When you get up to perform prayer, wash your faces and your hands and your arms to the elbows, and wipe over your heads, and (wash) your feet to the ankles. If you are in a state of major impurity, then purify yourselves. But if you are ill or on a journey, or have come from the lavatory, or have touched women, and cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, and wipe your faces and your hands therewith. Allah does not want to make things difficult for you, but He does want to purify you and to perfect His blessing upon you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:6)

### **ABODE**

(The servants of the All-Merciful are) those who say, 'Our Lord, avert from us the punishment of Hell, its punishment is inescapable pain. It is indeed an evil lodging and abode'. (25:65-66)

They will remain in it timelessly, for ever. What an excellent lodging and abode! (25:76)

### **ABRAHAM (SEE IBRAHIM (AS))**

### **ABROGATE**

Whenever We abrogate a verse or cause it to be forgotten, We bring one better than it or equal to it. Do you not know that Allah has power over all things? (2:106)

### **ABU LAHAB**

Ruin to the hands of Abu Lahab and ruin to him! His wealth has not helped him nor anything he has earned. He will burn in a Flaming Fire. And so will his wife, the firewood-carrier, with a rope of twisted fibre round her neck. (111:1-5)

### **ACT - ACTION**

Give the good news to those who believe and do right actions that they will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them. When they are given fruit there as provision, they will say, 'This is what we were given before.' But they were only given a simulation of it. They will have there spouses of perfect purity and will remain there timelessly, for ever. (2:25)

Those with faith, those who are Jews, and the Christians and Sabaean, all who believe in Allah and the Last Day and act rightly, will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:62)

No indeed! Those who accumulate bad actions and are surrounded by their mistakes, such people are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever; whereas those who believe and do right actions, such people are the Companions of the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:81-82)

Say, 'Do you argue with us about Allah when He is our Lord and your Lord? We have our actions and you have your actions. We act for Him alone.' (2:139)

When those who were followed disown those who followed them, and they see the punishment, and the connection between them is cut, those who followed will say, 'If only we could have another chance, we would disown them just as they have disowned us.' In that way Allah will show them their actions as a cause of anguish and remorse for them. They will never emerge from the Fire. (2:166-167)

They will ask you about the Sacred Month and fighting in it. Say, 'Fighting in it is a serious matter; but barring access to the Way of Allah and rejecting Him and barring access to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and expelling its people from it are far more serious in the sight of

Allah. Discord is worse than killing.' They will not stop fighting you until they make you revert from your religion, if they are able. As for any of you who revert from their religion and die disbeliever, their actions will come to nothing in this world and the hereafter. They are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:217)

If you make your charity public, that is good. But if you conceal it and give it to the poor, that is better for you, and We will erase some of your bad actions from you. Allah is aware of what you do. (2:271)

Those who believe and do right actions and perform prayer and give the alms, will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:277)

As for those who disbelieve, their wealth and children will not help them against Allah in any way. They are fuel for the Fire, as was the case with the people of Pharaoh and those before them. They denied Our Signs so Allah seized them for their wrong actions. Allah is fierce in retribution. (3:10-11)

(His servants are) those who say, 'Our Lord, we believe, so forgive us our wrong actions and safeguard us from the punishment of the Fire.' (3:16) As for those who reject Allah's Signs, and kill the Prophets without any right to do so, and kill those who command justice, give them news of a painful punishment. They are the ones whose actions come to nothing in this world or the hereafter. They will have no helpers. (3:21-22)

Say, 'If you love Allah, then follow me and Allah will love you and forgive you for your wrong actions. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (3:31)

As for those who believe and do right actions, We will pay them their wages in full. Allah does not love wrongdoers. (3:57)

... Allah loves the good-doers--those who, when they act indecently or wrong themselves, remember Allah and ask forgiveness for their bad actions (and who can forgive bad actions except Allah?) and do not knowingly persist in what they were doing. (3:134-135)

All they said was, 'Our Lord, forgive us our

wrong actions and any excesses we went to in what we did and make our feet firm and help us against these disbelieving people.' (3:147)

(Believers say,) 'Our Lord, we heard a caller calling us to faith: "Believe in your Lord!" and we believed. Our Lord, forgive us our wrong actions, erase our bad actions from us and take us back to You with those who are truly good.' (3:193)

Their Lord responds to them: 'I will not let the deeds of any doer among you go to waste, male or female--you are both the same in that respect. Those who migrated and were driven from their homes and suffered harm in My Way and fought and were killed, I will erase their bad actions from them and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, as a reward from Allah. The best of all rewards is with Allah.' (3:195)

If you avoid the serious wrong actions you have been forbidden, We will erase your bad actions from you and admit you by a Gate of Honour. (4:31)

But as for those who believe and do right actions, We will admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. In them they will have spouses of perfect purity and We will admit them into cool, refreshing shade. (4:57)

But as for those who believe and do right actions, We will admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah's promise is true. Whose speech could be truer than Allah's? (4:122)

Anyone, male or female, who does right actions and is a believer, will enter the Garden. They will not be wronged by so much as the tiniest speck. (4:124)

As for those who believe and do right actions, He will pay them their wages in full and will give them increase from His favour. As for those who show disdain and grow arrogant, He will punish them with a painful punishment. They will not find any protector or helper for themselves besides Allah. (4:173)

Today all good things have been made lawful for you. And the food of those given the Book is also

lawful for you and your food is lawful for them. So are chaste women from among the believers and chaste women of those given the Book before you, once you have given them their dowries in marriage, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. But as for anyone who rejects faith, his actions will come to nothing and in the hereafter he will be among the losers. (5:5)

Allah has promised those who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (5:9)

Allah made a covenant with the tribe of Israel and We raised up twelve leaders from among them. Allah said, 'I am with you. If you perform prayer and give the alms, and believe in My Messengers and respect and support them, and make a generous loan to Allah, I will erase your wrong actions from you and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Any of you who disbelieve after that have gone astray from the right way.' (5:12)

The Jews and Christians say, 'We are Allah's children and His loved ones.' Say: 'Why, then, does He punish you for your wrong actions? No, you are merely human beings among those He has created. He forgives whoever He wills and He punishes whoever He wills. The kingdom of the heavens and the earth and everything between them belongs to Allah. He is our final destination.' (5:18)

Judge between them by what Allah has sent down and do not follow their whims and desires. And beware of them lest they lure you away from some of what Allah has sent down to you. If they turn their backs, then know that Allah wants to afflict them with some of their wrong actions. Many of mankind are deviators. (5:49)

Those who believe say, 'Are these the people who swore by Allah, with their most earnest oaths, that they were with you?' Their actions have come to nothing and they now are losers. (5:53)

Those who believe and those who are Jews and the Sabaeans and the Christians, all who believe in Allah and the Last Day and act rightly will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (5:69)

Those who believe and do right actions are not to

blame for anything they have eaten provided they guard against evil and have faith and do right actions, and then again guard against evil and have faith, and then guard against evil and do good. Allah loves good-doers. (5:93)

Have they not seen how many generations We destroyed before them which We had established on the earth far more firmly than We have established you? We sent down heaven upon them in abundant rain and made rivers flow under them. But We destroyed them for their wrong actions and raised up further generations after them. (6:6)

Do not curse those they call upon besides Allah, in case that makes them curse Allah in animosity, without knowledge. In this way We make the actions of every nation seem attractive to them. Then they will return to their Lord, and He will inform them about what they did. (6:108)

As for those who believe and do right actions—We impose on no self any more than it can bear—they are the Companions of the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (7:42)

Is it not clear to those who have inherited the earth after these people that, if We wanted to, We could strike them for their wrong actions, sealing up their hearts so that they cannot hear? (7:100) As for those who denied Our Signs and the encounter of the hereafter, their actions will come to nothing. Will they be repaid except for what they did? (7:147)

But as for those who do evil actions and then subsequently repent and believe, in that case your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (7:153)

You who believe! If you have fear of Allah, He will give you discrimination and erase your bad actions from you and forgive you. Allah's favour is indeed immense. (8:29)

Do not be like those who left their homes in arrogance, showing off to people and barring them from the way of Allah—Allah encompasses what they do—when Satan made their actions appear good to them, saying, 'No one will overcome you today for I am at your side.' But when the two parties came in sight of one another, he turned right round on his heels saying, 'I wash

my hands of you. I see what you do not see. I fear Allah. Allah is severe in retribution.' (8:47-48)

Such was the case with Pharaoh's people and those before them. They rejected Allah's Signs so Allah seized them for their wrong actions. Allah is Strong, Severe in Retribution. (8:52)

Such was the case with Pharaoh's people and those before them. They denied their Lord's Signs so We destroyed them for their wrong actions. We drowned Pharaoh's people. All of them were wrongdoers. (8:54)

It is not for the idolaters to maintain the mosques of Allah, bearing witness against themselves of their disbelief. They are the ones whose actions will come to nothing. They will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever. (9:17)

Deferring a sacred month is an increase in disbelief by which those who have disbelieved are led astray. One year they make it profane and another sacred to tally with the number Allah has made sacred. In that way they profane what Allah has made sacred. Their bad actions are made to seem good to them. Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (9:37)

Like those before you who had greater strength than you and more wealth and children. They enjoyed their portion; so enjoy your portion as those before you enjoyed theirs. You have plunged into defamation as they plunged into it. The actions of such people come to nothing in this world or the hereafter. They are the lost. (9:69)

They will make excuses to you when you return to them. Say: 'Do not make excuses, we will not believe you. Allah has already informed us about you. Allah will see your actions, as will His Messenger. Then you will be returned to the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible, and He will inform you regarding what you did.' (9:94) But others have acknowledged their wrong actions and mixed a right action with another which is wrong. It may well be that Allah will turn towards them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:102)

Say: 'Act, for Allah will see your actions, and so will His Messenger and the believers. You will be returned to the Knower of the Unseen and the

Visible and He will inform you regarding what you did.' (9:105)

It was not for people of Madina, and the desert arabs around them, to remain behind the Messenger of Allah nor to prefer themselves to him. That is because no thirst or weariness or hunger will afflict them in the Way of Allah, nor will they take a single step to infuriate the disbelievers, nor secure any gain from the enemy, without a right action being written down for them because of it. Allah does not let the wage of the good-doers go to waste. (9:120)

Each and every one of you will return to Him. Allah's promise is true. He brings creation out of nothing and then regenerates it so that he can repay with justice those who believed and did right actions. Those who disbelieved will have a drink of scalding water and a painful punishment because of their disbelief. (10:4)

But as for those who believe and do right actions, their Lord will guide them by their faith. Rivers will flow under them in Gardens of Delight. (10:9)

But as for those who have earned bad actions—a bad action will be repaid with one the like of it. Debasement will darken them. They will have no one to protect them from Allah. It is as if their faces were covered by dark patches of the night. Those are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (10:27)

If they deny you, say, 'I have my actions and you have your actions. You are not responsible for what I do and I am not responsible for what you do.' (10:41)

When they had thrown, Musa said, 'What you have brought is magic. Allah will certainly prove it false. Allah does not uphold the actions of corrupters.' (10:81)

It is He Who created the heavens and the earth in six days when His Throne was on the water, in order to test which of you has the best actions. If you say, 'You will be raised up after death,' those who disbelieve will say, 'This is nothing but downright magic.' (11:7)

Except for those who are steadfast and do right actions. They will receive forgiveness and a large reward. (11:11)

As for those who desire the life of this world and its finery, We will give them full payment in it for their actions. They will not be deprived here of their due. (11:15)

As for those who believe and do right actions and humble themselves before their Lord, they are the Companions of the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (11:23)

Your Lord will pay each one of them in full for his actions. He is aware of what they do. (11:111)

Perform prayer at each end of the day and in the first part of the night. Good actions eradicate bad actions. This is a reminder for people who pay heed. (11:114)

Those who believe and do right actions, happiness will be theirs and a wonderful Homecoming. (13:29)

Their Messengers said, 'Is there any doubt about Allah, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and the earth? He summons you to forgive you for your wrong actions and to defer you until a specified time.' They said, 'You are nothing but human beings like ourselves who want to debar us from what our fathers worshipped; so bring us a clear authority.' (14:10)

The metaphor of those who reject their Lord is that their actions are like ashes scattered by strong winds on a stormy day. They have no power at all over anything they have earned. That is extreme misguidance. (14:18)

Those who believed and did right actions will be admitted into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever by the permission of their Lord. Their greeting there is 'Peace!' (14:23)

The evil actions they did assailed them. They were engulfed by what they mocked. (16:34)

Do those who plot evil actions feel secure that Allah will not cause the earth to swallow them up or that a punishment will not come upon them from where they least expect? (16:45)

If Allah were to punish people for their wrong actions, not a single creature would be left upon the earth, but He defers them till a predetermined time. When their specified time arrives, they cannot delay it for a single hour nor can they bring it forward. (16:61)

By Allah, We sent Messengers to communities before your time, but Satan made their actions seem good to them. Therefore today he is their protector. They will have a painful punishment. (16:63)

Anyone who acts rightly, male or female, being a believer, We will give them a good life and We will recompense them according to the best of what they did. (16:97)

This Qur'an guides to the most upright Way and gives good news to the believers who do right actions that they will have a large reward. (17:9)

How many generations We destroyed after Nuh! Your Lord is well able to be aware of and see the wrong actions of His servants! (17:17)

It is straight, to warn of violent force direct from Him, and to give the good news to the believers, those who do right actions, that for them there is an excellent reward. (18:2)

We made everything on the earth adornment for it so that We could test them to see whose actions are the best. (18:7)

Restrain yourself patiently with those who call on their Lord morning and evening, desiring His face. Do not turn your eyes from them, desiring the attractions of this world. And do not obey someone whose heart We have made neglectful of Our remembrance and who follows his own whims and desires and whose life has transgressed all bounds. (18:28)

But as for those who believe and do right actions, We will not let the wage of good-doers go to waste. (18:30)

Wealth and sons are the embellishment of the life of this world. But, in your Lord's sight, right actions which are lasting bring a better reward and are a better basis for hope. (18:46)

(Dhu'l-Qarnayn said,) 'But as for him who believes and acts rightly, he will receive the best of rewards and we will issue a command, making things easy for him.' (18:88)

Say: 'Shall I inform you of the greatest losers in their actions?' (18:103)

Those are the people who reject their Lord's Signs and the meeting with Him. Their actions will come to nothing and, on the Day of Rising, We will not assign them any weight. (18:105)

Those who believe and do right actions will have the Gardens of Firdaws as hospitality. (18:107)  
Say: 'I am only a human being like yourselves. It is revealed to me that your god is One God. So let him who hopes to meet his Lord act rightly and not associate anyone in the worship of his Lord.' (18:110)

Except for those who repent and believe and act rightly. They will enter the Garden and they will not be wronged in any way. (19:60)

Allah augments those who are guided by giving them greater guidance. In your Lord's sight, right actions which are lasting are better both in reward and end result. (19:76)

As for those who believe and do right actions, the All-Merciful will bestow His love on them. (19:96)

But as for those who come to Him as believers, having done right actions, they will have the highest ranks. (20:75)

But I am Ever-Forgiving to anyone who repents and believes and acts rightly and then is guided. (20:82)

But anyone who does right actions, being a believer, need fear no wrong or any belittlement. (20:112)

We made them leaders, guiding by Our command, and revealed to them how to do good actions and perform prayer and give the alms, and they worshipped Us. (21:73)

We responded to him and gave him Yahya, restoring for him his wife's fertility. They outdid one another in good actions, calling out to Us in yearning and in awe, and humbling themselves to Us. (21:90)

As for anyone who does right actions and is a believer, his striving certainly does not go un-thanked. We are writing it down on his behalf. (21:94)

Allah will admit those who believe and do right actions into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Allah does whatever He wishes. (22:14)

But Allah will admit those who believe and do right actions into Gardens with rivers flowing under them where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. (22:23)

As for those who believe and do right actions, they will have forgiveness and generous provision. (22:50)

Sovereignty on that Day will be Allah's. He will judge between them. Those who believe and do right actions will be in Gardens of Delight. (22:56)

Messengers, eat of the good things and act rightly. I most certainly know what you do. (23:51)

When death comes to one of them, he says, 'My Lord, send me back again so that perhaps I may act rightly regarding the things I failed to do!' No indeed! It is just words he utters. Before them there is an interspace until the Day they are raised up. (23:99-100)

But the actions of those who disbelieve are like a mirage in the desert. A thirsty man thinks it is water but when he reaches it, he finds it to be nothing at all, but he finds Allah there. He will pay him his account in full. Allah is swift at reckoning. (24:39)

Or they (the actions of those who disbelieve) are like the darkness of a fathomless sea which is covered by waves above which are waves above which are clouds, layers of darkness, one upon the other. If he puts out his hand, he can scarcely see it. Those Allah gives no light to, they have no light. (24:40)

Allah has promised those of you who believe and do right actions that He will make them successors in the land as He made those before them successors, and will firmly establish for them their religion with which He is pleased and give them, in place of their fear, security. 'They worship Me, not associating anything with Me.' Any who disbelieve after that, such people are deviators. (24:55)

We will advance on the actions they have done and make them scattered specks of dust. (25:23)

Put your trust in the Living who does not die and glorify Him with praise. He is well aware of the wrong actions of His servants. (25:58)

Except for those who repent and believe and act rightly: Allah will transform the wrong actions of such people into good—Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful—for certainly all who repent and

act rightly have turned sincerely towards Allah. (25:70-71)

Do you not see how they ramble on in every style and say things which they do not do, except those who believe and do right actions and remember Allah repeatedly and defend themselves after they have been wronged? Those who do wrong will soon know the kind of reversal they will receive! (26:225-227)

As for those who do not believe in the hereafter, We have made their actions appear good to them and they wander about blindly. (27:4)

He (Sulayman) smiled, laughing at its words, and said, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing You have bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You, and admit me, by Your mercy, among Your servants who are righteous.' (27:19)

(The hoopoe said,) 'I found both her and her people prostrating to the sun instead of Allah. Satan has made their actions seem good to them and debarred them from the Way so they are not guided.' (27:24)

Those who perform good actions will receive better than them and will be safe that Day from terror. (27:89)

Those who perform bad actions will be flung head first into the Fire: 'Are you being repaid for anything other than what you did?' (27:90)

When they hear worthless talk they turn away from it and say, 'We have our actions and you have your actions. Peace be upon you. We do not desire the company of the ignorant.' (28:55) But as for those who repent and act rightly, they will hopefully be successful. (28:67)

But those who had been given knowledge said, 'Woe to you! Allah's reward is better for those who believe and act rightly. But only the steadfast will obtain it.' (28:80)

Anyone who does a good action will get something better. As for anyone who does a bad action, those who have done bad actions will only be repaid for what they did. (28:84)

Or do those who do bad actions imagine they can outstrip Us? How bad their judgement is! (29:4)

As for those who believe and do right actions,

We will erase their bad actions from them, and recompense them for the best of what they did. (29:7)

As for those who believe and do right actions, We will admit them among the righteous. (29:9) And 'Ad and Thamud—it must be clear to you from their dwelling places! Satan made their actions seem good to them and so debarred them from the Way, even though they were intelligent people. (29:38)

We seized each one of them for their wrong actions. Against some We sent a sudden squall of stones; some of them were seized by the Great Blast; some We caused the earth to swallow up; and some We drowned. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (29:40)

As for those who believe and do right actions, We will lodge them in lofty chambers in the Garden, with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. How excellent is the reward of those who act. (29:58)

As for those who believed and did right actions, they will be made joyful in a verdant meadow. (30:15)

Those who disbelieved will find that their disbelief was against themselves. Those who did right were making the way easy for themselves; so that He can repay with His bounty those who believed and did right actions. He certainly does not love the disbelievers. (30:44-45)

For those who believe and do right actions there are Gardens of Delight. (31:8)

If only you could see the evildoers hanging their heads in shame before their Lord: 'Our Lord, we have seen and we have heard, so send us back again and we will act rightly. Truly we now have certainty.' (32:12)

As for those who believe and do right actions, they will have the Gardens of Safe Refuge as hospitality for what they used to do. (32:19)

Allah knows the obstructers among you and those who say to their brothers, 'Come to us,' and who only come to fight a very little, and are begrudging towards you. Then when fear comes, you see them looking at you, their eyes rolling like people scared to death. But when fear departs they flay you with sharp tongues, grasping

for wealth. Such people have no faith and Allah will make their actions come to nothing. That is easy for Allah. (33:18-19)

But those of you who are obedient to Allah and His Messenger and act rightly will be given their reward twice over; and We have prepared generous provision for them. (33:31)

He will put your actions right for you and forgive you your wrong deeds. All who obey Allah and His Messenger have won a mighty victory. (33:71)

This is so that He may recompense those who believe and do right actions. They will have forgiveness and generous provision. (34:4)

'Make full-length coats of mail, measuring the links with care. And act rightly, all of you, for I see what you do.' (34:11)

It is not your wealth or your children that will bring you near to Us—only in the case of people who believe and act rightly; such people will have a double recompense for what they did. They will be safe from all harm in the High Halls of Paradise. (34:37)

Those who disbelieve will suffer a harsh punishment. But those who believe and do right actions will receive forgiveness and an immense reward. (35:7)

And what of him the evil of whose actions appears fine to him so that he sees them as good? Allah misguides whoever He wills and guides whoever He wills. So do not let yourself waste away out of regret for them. Allah knows what they do. (35:8)

They will shout out in it, 'Our Lord! Take us out! We will act rightly, differently from the way we used to act!' Did We not let you live long enough for anyone who was going to pay heed to pay heed? And did not the warner come to you? Taste it then! There is no helper for the wrongdoers. (35:37)

He (Dawud) said, 'He has wronged you by asking for your ewe to add to his ewes. Truly many partners are unjust to one another—except those who believe and do right actions, and how few they are!' Dawud realised that We had put him to the test. He begged forgiveness from his Lord and fell down prone, prostrating, and repented. (38:24)

Would We make those who believe and do right actions the same as those who cause corruption on the earth? Would We make those who guard against evil the same as the dissolute? (38:28)  
What confronts them will be the evil actions which they earned and what they used to mock at will engulf them. (39:48)

Say (from Me): 'My servants, you who have transgressed against yourselves, do not despair of the mercy of Allah. Truly Allah forgives all wrong actions. He is the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful.' (39:53)

It has been revealed to you and those before you: 'If you associate others with Allah, your actions will come to nothing and you will be among the losers.' (39:65)

They will say, 'Our Lord, twice You caused us to die and twice You gave us life. We admit our wrong actions. Is there no way out?' (40:11)  
Have they not travelled in the earth and seen the final fate of those before them? They were greater than them in strength and left far deeper traces on the earth, yet Allah seized them for their wrong actions and they had no one to protect them from Allah. (40:21)

Pharaoh said, 'Haman, build me a tower so that perhaps I may gain means of access, access to the heavens, so that I can look on Musa's God. Truly I think he is a liar.' That is how Pharaoh's evil actions were made attractive to him and he debarred others from the Path. Pharaoh's scheming led to nothing but ruin. (40:36-37)

Whoever does an evil act will only be repaid with its equivalent. But whoever acts rightly, male or female, being a believer, such a person will enter the Garden, provided for in it without any reckoning. (40:40)

The blind and the seeing are not the same. Nor are those who believe and do right actions the same as evildoers. What little heed they pay! (40:58)

Those who believe and do right actions will have a wage which never fails. (41:8)

Who could say anything better than someone who summons to Allah and acts rightly and says, 'I am one of the Muslims'? (41:33)

Whoever acts rightly, it is to his own good.

Whoever does evil, it is to his detriment. Your Lord does not wrong His servants. (41:46) So call and go straight as you have been ordered to. Do not follow their whims and desires but say, 'I believe in a Book sent down by Allah and I am ordered to be just between you. Allah is our Lord and your Lord. We have our actions and you have your actions. There is no debate between us and you. Allah will gather us all together. He is our final destination.' (42:15)

You will see the wrongdoers afraid of what they have earned, when it is about to land right on top of them, whereas those who believe and do right actions will be in the lush Meadows of the Gardens. They will have whatever they wish for with their Lord. That is the great favour. (42:22) That is the good news which Allah gives to His servants who believe and do right actions. Say: 'I do not ask you for any wage for this—except for you to love your near of kin. If anyone does a good action, We will increase the good of it for him. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Ever-Thankful.' (42:23)

He responds to those who believe and do right actions and gives them increase from His favour. But the disbelievers will have a harsh punishment. (42:26)

(Believers are) those who avoid major wrong actions and indecencies and who, when they are angered, then forgive. (42:37)

Whoever acts rightly, it is to his own good. Whoever does evil, it is to his detriment. Then you will be returned to your Lord. (45:15)

Or do those who perpetrate evil deeds suppose that We will make them like those who believe and do right actions, so that their lives and deaths will be the same? How bad their judgement is! (45:21)

As for those who believed and did right actions, their Lord will admit them into His mercy. That is the Clear Victory. (45:30)

We have instructed man to be good to his parents. His mother bore him with difficulty and with difficulty gave birth to him; and his bearing and weaning take thirty months. Then when he achieves his full strength and reaches forty, he says, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing

You bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You. And make my descendants righteous. I have repented to You and I am truly one of the Muslims.' (46:15) Everyone will be ranked according to what they did. We will pay them in full for their actions and they will not be wronged. (46:19)

Our people, respond to Allah's caller and believe in Him. He will forgive you some of your wrong actions and save you from a painful punishment. (46:31)

As for those who disbelieve and bar others from the Way of Allah, Allah will make their actions go astray. (47:1)

But as for those who believe and do right actions and believe in what has been sent down to Muhammad—and it is the truth from their Lord—He will erase their bad actions from them and better their condition. (47:2)

Therefore when you meet those who disbelieve strike their necks. Then when you have decimated them, tie their bonds tightly and set them free or ransom them, until the war is finally over. That is how it is to be. If Allah willed, He could avenge Himself on them. But it is so that He can test some of you by means of others. As for those who fight in the Way of Allah, He will not let their actions go astray. (47:4)

But those who disbelieve will have utter ruin and He will make their actions go astray. (47:8)

That is because they hate what Allah has sent down, so He has made their actions come to nothing. (47:9)

Allah will admit those who believe and act rightly to Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Those who disbelieve have their enjoyment, eating as cattle eat, but the Fire will be their final residence. (47:12)

Is someone on a clear path from his Lord like those whose bad actions have been made to seem good to them and who follow their own desires? (47:14)

That is because they followed what angers Allah and hated what is pleasing to Him. So He made their actions come to nothing. (47:28)

If We wished, We would show them to you and you would know them by their mark and know

them by their ambivalent speech. Allah knows your actions. (47:30)

Those who disbelieve and obstruct the Way of Allah and are entrenched in hostility towards the Messenger after the guidance has become clear to them, do not harm Allah in any way and He makes their actions come to nothing. (47:32)  
You who believe! Obey Allah and obey the Messenger. Do not make your actions of no worth. (47:33)

It is He Who sent down serenity into the hearts of the believers thereby increasing their faith with more faith—the legions of the heavens and the earth belong to Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise—so that He may admit the men and women of the believers into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and erase their bad actions from them; and in Allah's sight that is a mighty victory. (48:4-5)  
Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and those who are with him are fierce to the disbelievers, merciful to one another. You see them bowing and prostrating, seeking Allah's good favour and His pleasure. Their mark is on their faces, the traces of prostration. That is their likeness in the Torah. And their likeness in the Gospel is that of a seed which puts up a shoot and makes it strong so that it thickens and grows up straight upon its stalk, filling the sowers with delight—so that by them He may infuriate the disbelievers. Allah has promised those of them who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (48:29)

You who believe! Do not raise your voices above the voice of the Prophet and do not be as loud when speaking to him as you are when speaking to one another, lest your actions should come to nothing without your realising it. (49:2)

The desert Arabs say, 'We believe.' Say: 'You do not believe. Say rather, "We have become Muslim," for faith has not yet entered into your hearts. If you obey Allah and His Messenger, He will not undervalue your actions in any way. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (49:14)  
And We will unite those who believed with their offspring, who followed them in faith, and We will not undervalue their own actions in any

way. Every man is in pledge for what he earned. (52:21)

To whoever avoids the major wrong actions and indecencies—except for minor lapses—truly your Lord is vast in forgiveness. He has most knowledge of you when He first produced you from the earth, and when you were embryos in your mothers' wombs. So do not claim purity for yourselves. He knows best those who guard against evil. (53:32)

He will forgive you your wrong actions and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, and fine dwellings in the Gardens of Eden. That is the Great Victory. (61:12)

On the Day He gathers you for the Day of Gathering—that is the Day of Profit and Loss. As for those who believe in Allah and act rightly, We will erase their bad actions from them and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. That is the Great Victory! (64:9)

That is Allah's command which He has sent down to you. Whoever has fear of Allah—He will erase his bad actions from him and greatly increase his reward. (65:5)

(Allah has sent down) a Messenger reciting Allah's Clear Signs to you to bring those who believe and do right actions out of the darkness into the Light. Whoever believes in Allah and acts rightly, We will admit him into Gardens with rivers flowing under them remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah has provided for him excellently! (65:11)

You who believe! Repent to Allah. It may be that your Lord will erase your bad actions from you and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them on the Day when Allah will not disgrace the Prophet and those who believed along with him. Their light will stream out ahead of them and on their right. They will say, 'Our Lord, perfect our light for us and forgive us! You have power over all things.' (66:8)

He Who created death and life to test which of you is best in action. He is the Almighty, the Ever-Forgiving. (67:2)

Then they will acknowledge their wrong actions.

Away with the Companions of the Blaze! (67:11)  
(Nuh said to his people,) 'He will forgive you your wrong actions and defer you until a specified time. When Allah's time comes it cannot be deferred, if you only knew.' (71:4)

Except those who believe and do right actions: they will have a wage which never fails. (84:25)  
But those who believe and do right actions will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them. That is the Great Victory. (85:11)

Except for those who believe and do right actions: they will have a wage which never fails. (95:6)

But those who believe and do right actions—they are the best of creatures. (98:7)

That Day people will emerge segregated to see the results of their actions. (99:6)

Except for those who believe and do right actions and urge each other to the truth and urge each other to steadfastness. (103:3)

## **AD (SEE HUD (AS) AND 'AD)**

### **ADEM (AS) (ADAM)**

When your Lord said to the angels, 'I am putting an overlord on the earth,' they said, 'Why put on it one who will cause corruption on it and shed blood when we glorify You with praise and proclaim Your purity?' He said, 'I know what you do not know.' (2:30)

He taught Adam the names of all things. Then He arrayed them before the angels and said, 'Tell me the names of these if you are telling the truth.' (2:31)

He said, 'Adam, tell them their names.' When he had told them their names, He said, 'Did I not tell you that I know the Unseen of the heavens and the earth, and I know what you make known and what you hide?' (2:33)

We said to the angels, 'Prostrate to Adam!' and they prostrated, with the exception of Diabolis. He refused and was arrogant and was one of the disbelievers. (2:34)

We said, 'Adam, live in the Garden, you and your wife, and eat freely from it wherever you will. But do not approach this tree and so become wrongdoers.' (2:35)

Then Adam received some words from his Lord and He turned towards him. He is the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful. (2:37)

Allah chose Adam and Nuh and the family of Ibrahim and the family of 'Imran over all other beings—descendants one of the other. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (3:33-34)

The likeness of 'Isa in Allah's sight is the same as Adam. He created him from earth and then He said to him, 'Be!' and he was. (3:59)

Recite to them the true report of Adam's two sons when they offered a sacrifice and it was accepted from one of them but not accepted from the other. The one said, 'I shall kill you.' The other said, 'Allah only accepts from people who guard against evil.' (5:27)

We created you and then formed you and then We said to the angels, 'Prostrate before Adam,' and they prostrated—except for Diabolis. He was not among those who prostrated. (7:11)

He said, 'What prevented you from prostrating when I commanded you to?' He replied, 'I am better than him. You created me from fire and You created him from clay.' (7:12)

(Allah said,) 'Adam, live in the Garden, you and your wife, and eat of it wherever you like. But do not go near this tree lest you become wrongdoers.' (7:19)

Children of Adam! We have sent down clothing to you to conceal your private parts, and fine apparel, but the garment of heedfulness—that is best! That is one of Allah's Signs, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (7:26)

Children of Adam! Do not let Satan tempt you into trouble as He expelled your parents from the Garden, stripping them of their covering and disclosing to them their private parts. He and his tribe see you from where you do not see them. We have made the Satans friends of those who have no faith. (7:27)

Children of Adam! Wear fine clothing in every mosque and eat and drink but do not be profligate. He does not love the profligate. (7:31)

Children of Adam! If Messengers come to you from among yourselves, recounting My Signs to you, those who guard against evil and put things right, will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (7:35)

When your Lord took out all their descendants from the loins of the children of Adam and made them testify against themselves 'Am I not your Lord?' they said, 'We testify that indeed You are!' Lest you say on the Day of Rising, 'We knew nothing of this.' (7:172)

It is He Who created you from a single self and made from him his spouse so that he might find repose in her. Then when he covered her she bore a light load and carried it around. Then when it became heavy they called on Allah, their Lord, 'If You grant us a healthy child, we will be among the thankful!' (7:189)

We created mankind out of dried clay formed from fetid black mud. (15:26)

When your Lord said to the angels, 'I am creating a human being out of dried clay formed from fetid black mud. When I have formed him and breathed My Spirit into him, fall down in prostration in front of him!' (15:28-29)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam!' they prostrated, except for Diabolis. He said 'What! Am I to prostrate to one You have created out of clay?' (17:61)

We have honoured the sons of Adam and conveyed them on land and sea and provided them with good things and favoured them greatly over many We have created. (17:70)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam,' they prostrated with the exception of Diabolis. He was one of the jinn and wantonly deviated from his Lord's command. Do you take him and his offspring as protectors apart from Me when they are your enemy? How evil is the exchange the wrongdoers make! (18:50)

Those are some of the Prophets Allah has blessed, from the descendants of Adam and from those We carried with Nuh, and from the descendants of Ibrahim and Isra'il and from those We guided and chose. When the Signs of the All-Merciful were recited to them they fell on their faces, weeping, in prostration. (19:58)

We made a contract with Adam before, but he forgot. We did not find that he had a firm resolve. (20:115)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam!' they prostrated, with the exception

of Diabolis who disdained to do it. (20:116) We said, 'Adam, this is an enemy for you and your wife, so do not let him expel you from the Garden and thus make you miserable.' (20:117) But Satan whispered to him, saying, 'Adam, shall I show you the way to the Tree of Everlasting Life and to a kingdom which will never fade away?' (20:120)

So the two of them ate from it and their private parts were disclosed to them and they started stitching together the leaves of the Garden to cover themselves. Adam disobeyed his Lord and became misled. (20:121)

## ADMONITION

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, do not prevent them from marrying their first husbands if they have mutually agreed to it with correctness and courtesy. This is an admonition for those of you who believe in Allah and the Last Day. That is better and purer for you. Allah knows and you do not know. (2:232)

This is a clear explanation for all mankind, and guidance and admonition for those who guard against evil. (3:138)

Men have charge of women because Allah has preferred the one above the other and because they spend their wealth on them. Right-acting women are obedient, guarding the unseen as Allah has guarded. If there are women whose disobedience you fear, you may admonish them, refuse to sleep with them, and then beat them. But if they obey you, do not look for a way to punish them. Allah is All-High, Most Great. (4:34)

And We sent 'Isa son of Maryam following in their footsteps, confirming the Torah that came before him. We gave him the Gospel containing guidance and light, confirming the Torah that came before it, and as guidance and admonition for those who guard against evil. (5:46)

We wrote about everything for him on the Tablets as an admonition and making all things clear. 'Seize hold of it vigorously and command your people to adopt the best in it. I will show you the home of the deviators!' (7:145)

Mankind! Admonition has come to you from your Lord and also healing for what is in the breasts and guidance and mercy for the believers. (10:57)

He said, 'Nuh, he is definitely not of your family. He is someone whose action was not righteous. Do not, therefore, ask Me for something about which you have no knowledge. I admonish you lest you should be among the ignorant.' (11:46)  
We have given you all this news about the Messengers so We can make your heart firm by means of it. The truth has come to you in this and an admonishment and reminder to the believers. (11:120)

Call to the way of your Lord with wisdom and fair admonition, and argue with them in the kindest way. Your Lord knows best who is misguided from His way. And He knows best who are guided. (16:125)

We have sent down Clear Signs to you and the example of those who passed away before you and an admonition for those who guard against evil. (24:34)

Then when they have reached the end of their waiting period either retain them with correctness and courtesy or part from them with correctness and courtesy. Call two upright men from among yourselves as witnesses and they should carry out the witnessing for Allah. This is admonishment for all who believe in Allah and the Last Day. Whoever has fear of Allah-He will give him a way out. (65:2)

### **ADOPTION (OF A CHILD)**

Allah has not allotted to any man two hearts within his breast, nor has He made those of your wives you equate with your mothers your actual mothers, nor has He made your adopted sons your actual sons. These are just words coming out of your mouths. But Allah speaks the truth and He guides to the Way. (33:4)

Call them after their fathers. That is closer to justice in Allah's sight. And if you do not know who their fathers were then they are your brothers in the religion and people under your patronage. You are not to blame for any honest mistake you make but only for what your hearts premeditate.

Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:5)  
When you said to him whom Allah has blessed and you yourself have greatly favoured, 'Keep your wife to yourself and have fear of Allah,' while concealing something in yourself which Allah wished to bring to light, you were fearing people when Allah has more right to your fear. Then when Zayd divorced her We married her to you so that there should be no restriction for the believers regarding the wives of their adopted sons when they have divorced them. Allah's command is always carried out. (33:37)

### **ADORNMENT**

And horses, mules and donkeys both to ride and for adornment. And He creates other things you do not know. (16:8)

We made everything on the earth adornment for it so that We could test them to see whose actions are the best. (18:7)

They will have Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them. They will be adorned in them with bracelets made of gold and wear green garments made of the finest silk and rich brocade, reclining there on couches under canopies. What an excellent reward! What a wonderful repose! (18:31)

Wealth and sons are the embellishment of the life of this world. But, in your Lord's sight, right actions which are lasting bring a better reward and are a better basis for hope. (18:46)

But Allah will admit those who believe and do right actions into Gardens with rivers flowing under them where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. (22:23)

Say to the believing women that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity and not display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands' fathers, or their sons or their husbands' sons or their brothers or their brothers' sons or their sisters' sons or their women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children

who still have no awareness of women's private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

As for women who are past child-bearing age and no longer have any hope of getting married, there is nothing wrong in their removing their outer clothes, provided they do not flaunt their adornments; but to refrain from doing so is better for them. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (24:60)

They will enter Gardens of Eden where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. (35:33)

We have adorned the lowest heaven with the beauty of the planets. (37:6)

In two days He determined them as seven heavens and revealed, in every heaven, its own mandate. We adorned the lowest heaven with lamps and guarded it. That is the decree of the Almighty, the All-Knowing. (41:12)

We have adorned the lowest heaven with lamps and made some of them stones for the Satans for whom We have prepared the punishment of the Blaze. (67:5)

## ADVICE

He (Satan) swore to them, 'I am one of those who give you good advice.' (7:21)

A man came running from the furthest part of the city, saying, 'Musa, the Council are conspiring to kill you, so leave! I am someone who brings you good advice.' (28:20)

## AFFECTION

You will find that the people most hostile to those who believe are the Jews and the idolaters. You will find the people most affectionate to those who believe are those who say, 'We are Christians.' That is because some of them are priests and monks and because they are not arrogant. (5:82)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'You have adopted idols apart from Allah as tokens of mutual affection in this world. But then on the Day of Rising you will reject one another and curse one another. The Fire

will be your shelter. You will have no helpers.' (29:25)

Among His Signs is that He created spouses for you of your own kind so that you might find tranquillity in them. And He has placed affection and compassion between you. There are certainly Signs in that for people who reflect. (30:21)

## AFFLUENT

When We desire to destroy a city, We send a command to the affluent in it and they become deviant in it and the Word is justly carried out against it and We annihilate it completely. (17:16) But then when We seize the affluent among them with the punishment, they will suddenly start praying fervently. (23:64)

Those of you possessing affluence and ample wealth should not make oaths that they will not give to their relatives and the very poor and those who have migrated in the way of Allah. They should rather pardon and overlook. Would you not love Allah to forgive you? Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:22)

We never sent a warner into any city without the affluent people in it saying, 'We reject what you have been sent with.' (34:34)

Similarly We never sent any warner before you to any city without the affluent among them saying, 'We found our fathers following a religion and we are simply following in their footsteps.' (43:23)

## AGREEMENT

Mothers should nurse their children for two full years—those who wish to complete the full term of nursing. It is the duty of the fathers to feed and clothe them with correctness and courtesy—no self is charged with more than it can bear. No mother should be put under pressure in respect of her child nor any father in respect of his child. The same duty is incumbent on the heir. If the couple both wish weaning to take place after mutual agreement and consultation, there is nothing wrong in their doing that. If you wish to find wet-nurses for your children, there is nothing wrong in your doing that provided you hand over to them what you have agreed to give with correctness and courtesy. Have fear of Allah and know that

Allah sees what you do. (2:233)

Nor is there anything wrong in any allusion to marriage you make to a woman, nor for any you keep to yourself. Allah knows that you will say things to them. But do not make secret arrangements with them, rather only speak with correctness and courtesy. Do not finally decide on the marriage contract until the prescribed period has come to its end. Know that Allah knows what is in your selves, so beware of Him! And know that Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (2:235) And also (forbidden for you are) married women, except for those you have taken in war as slaves. This is what Allah has prescribed for you. Apart from that He has made all other women lawful for you provided you seek them with your wealth in marriage and not in fornication. When you consummate your marriage with them give them their prescribed dowry. There is nothing wrong in any further agreement you might come to after the dowry has been given. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:24)

Among them there were some who made an agreement with Allah: 'If He gives us of His bounty we will definitely give charity and be among the righteous.' (9:75)

(People of intelligence are) those who fulfil Allah's contract and do not break their agreement. (13:20)

## AHL AL-KITAB (SEE PEOPLE OF THE BOOK)

### AHMAD

And when 'Isa son of Maryam said, 'Tribe of Israel, I am the Messenger of Allah to you, confirming the Torah which came before me and giving you the good news of a Messenger after me whose name is Ahmad.' When he brought them the Clear Signs, they said, 'This is downright magic.' (61:6)

## AKHIRAH (SEE THE HEREAFTER)

### ALAQ

Mankind! If you are in any doubt about the Rising, know that We created you from dust then

from a drop of sperm then from an alaq then from a lump of flesh, formed yet unformed, so We may make things clear to you. We make whatever We want stay in the womb until a specified time and then We bring you out as children so that you can reach your full maturity. Some of you die and some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that, after having knowledge, they then know nothing at all. And you see the earth dead and barren; then when We send down water onto it it quivers and swells and sprouts with luxuriant plants of every kind. (22:5)

Then (We) formed the drop into an alaq and formed alaq into a lump and formed the lump into bones and clothed the bones in flesh; and then brought him into being as another creature. Blessed be Allah, the Best of Creators! (23:14)

It is He Who created you from earth, then from a drop of sperm, then from an alaq, then He brings you out as infants, then so you may achieve full strength, then so you may become old men—though some of you may die before that time—so that you may reach a predetermined age and so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (40:67)

Was he not a drop of ejaculated sperm, then an alaq which He created and shaped? (75:37-38)

Recite: In the Name of your Lord Who created, created man from alaq. (96:1-2)

### AL-'UZZA

Have you really considered al-Lat and al-'Uzza and Manat, the third (idol), the other one? (53:19-20)

### ALL THE WORLDS - ALL BEINGS

Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (1:1) Tribe of Israel! Remember the blessing I conferred on you and that I preferred you over all other beings. (2:47)

Tribe of Israel! Remember the blessing I conferred on you, and that I preferred you over all other beings. (2:122)

When his Lord said to him, 'Become a Muslim!' he (Ibrahim) said, 'I am a Muslim who has submitted to the Lord of all the worlds.' (2:131)

And with Allah's permission they routed them.

Dawud killed Goliath and Allah gave him kingship and wisdom and taught him whatever He willed. If it were not for Allah's driving some people back by means of others, the earth would have been corrupted. But Allah shows favour to all the worlds. (2:251)

Allah chose Adam and Nuh and the family of Ibrahim and the family of 'Imran over all other beings. (3:33)

And when the angels said, 'Maryam, Allah has chosen you and purified you. He has chosen you over all other women.' (3:42)

Remember when Musa said to his people, 'My people! Remember Allah's blessing to you when He appointed Prophets among you and appointed kings for you, and gave you what He had not given to anyone else in all the worlds!' (5:20) Even if you do raise your hand against me to kill me, I am not going to raise my hand against you to kill you. Truly I fear Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (5:28)

Allah said, 'I will send it down to you but if anyone among you disbelieves after that, I will punish him with a punishment the like of which I will not inflict on anyone else in all the worlds!' (5:115)

So the last remnant of the people who did wrong was cut off. Praise belongs to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds! (6:45)

Say: 'Are we to call on something besides Allah which can neither help nor harm us, and to turn on our heels after Allah has guided us, like someone the Satans have lured away in the earth, leaving him confused and stupefied, despite the fact that he has companions calling him to guidance, saying, "Come with us!"?' Say: 'Allah's guidance, that is true guidance. We are commanded to submit as Muslims to the Lord of all the worlds.' (6:71)

And Isma'il, al-Yasa', Yunus and Lut. All of them We favoured over all beings. (6:86)

They are the ones Allah has guided, so be guided by their guidance. Say, 'I do not ask you for any wage for it. It is simply a reminder to all beings.' (6:90)

Say: 'My prayer and my rites, my living and my dying, are for Allah alone, the Lord of all the

worlds.' (6:162)

Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then settled Himself firmly on the Throne. He covers the day with the night, each pursuing the other urgently; and the sun and moon and stars are subservient to His command. Both creation and command belong to Him. Blessed be Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (7:54)

He (Nuh) said, 'My people, I am not in error at all but rather am a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds.' (7:61)

He (Hud) said, 'My people, I am by no means a fool, but rather am a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds.' (7:67)

And Lut, when he said to his people, 'Do you commit an obscenity not perpetrated before you by anyone in all the worlds?' (7:80)

Musa said, 'Pharaoh! I am truly a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds.' (7:104)

They said, 'We believe in the Lord of all the worlds.' (7:121)

He (Musa) said, 'Should I seek something other than Allah as a god for you when He has favoured you over all other beings?' (7:140)

Their call there is: 'Glory be to You, O Allah!' Their greeting there is: 'Peace!' The end of their call is: 'Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds!' (10:10)

This Qur'an could never have been devised by any besides Allah. Rather it is confirmation of what came before it and an elucidation of the Book which contains no doubt from the Lord of all the worlds. (10:37)

You do not ask them for any wage for it. It is only a reminder to all beings. (12:104)

We delivered both him and Lut to the land which We had blessed for all beings. (21:71)

And she (Maryam) who protected her chastity. We breathed into her some of Our Spirit and made her and her son a Sign for all the worlds. (21:91)

We have only sent you as a mercy to all the worlds. (21:107)

Blessed be He Who has sent down the Furqan (Discrimination) to His servant so that he can be a warner to all beings. (25:1)

(He said to Musa,) ‘Go to Pharaoh and say, “We are the Messenger of the Lord of all the worlds.”’ (26:16)

Pharaoh said, ‘What is the Lord of all the worlds?’ (26:23)

They said, ‘We believe in the Lord of all the worlds.’ (26:47)

(Ibrahim said,) ‘They are all my enemies—except for the Lord of all the worlds.’ (26:77)

(The misled will say,) ‘By Allah, we were plainly misguided when We equated you with the Lord of all the worlds.’ (26:97-98)

(The Prophet said,) ‘I do not ask you for any wage for it. My wage is the responsibility of no one but the Lord of all the worlds.’ (26:109, 26:127, 26:164, 26:180)

Truly it is revelation sent down by the Lord of all the worlds. (26:192)

But when he (Musa) reached it, a voice called out to him, ‘Blessed be Him who is in the Fire and all who are around it. Glory be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds!’ (27:8)

She (Queen of Sheba) was told: ‘Enter the courtyard,’ but when she saw it she supposed it to be a pool and bared her legs. He said, ‘It is a courtyard paved with glass.’ She said, ‘My Lord, I have wronged myself but I have submitted with Sulayman to the Lord of all the worlds.’ (27:44)

But when he reached it a voice called out to him from the right hand side of the valley in the part which was full of blessing, from out of the bush: ‘Musa, I am Allah, the Lord of all the worlds.’ (28:30)

We rescued him and the occupants of the Ark and made that into a Sign for all the worlds. (29:15)

When Lut said to his people, ‘You are committing an obscenity not perpetrated before you by anyone in all the worlds.’ (29:28)

The revelation of the Book, without any doubt of it, is from the Lord of the worlds. (32:2)

‘Peace be upon Nuh among all beings!’ (37:79)

(Ibrahim said to his father and his people,) ‘So what are your thoughts about the Lord of all the worlds?’ (37:87)

And praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds! (37:182)

It is simply a reminder to all the worlds. (38:87)

You will see the angels circling round the Throne, glorifying their Lord with praise. It will be decided between them with truth. And it will be said: ‘Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds.’ (39:75)

It is Allah Who made the earth a stable home for you and the sky a dome, and formed you, giving you the best of forms, and provided you with good and wholesome things. That is Allah, your Lord. Blessed be Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (40:64)

He is the Living—there is no god but Him—so call on Him, making your religion sincerely His. Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (40:65)

Say: ‘I was forbidden to worship those you call upon besides Allah when the Clear Signs came to me from my Lord and I was commanded to submit to the Lord of all the worlds.’ (40:66)

Say: ‘Do you reject Him Who created the earth in two days, and make others equal to Him? That is the Lord of all the worlds.’ (41:9)

We sent Musa with Our Signs to Pharaoh and his nobles. He said, ‘I am the Messenger of the Lord of the worlds.’ (43:46)

We chose them knowingly above all other people. (44:32)

We gave the Book and Judgement and Prophethood to the tribe of Israel and provided them with good things and favoured them over all other people. (45:16)

All praise belongs to Allah, the Lord of the heavens and the Lord of the earth, Lord of all the worlds. (45:36)

Revelation sent down from the Lord of all the worlds. (56:80)

They are like Satan when he says to a human being, ‘Disbelieve,’ and then when he disbelieves, says, ‘I wash my hands of you. Truly I fear Allah, the Lord of all the worlds.’ (59:16)

But it is nothing less than a Reminder to all the worlds. (68:52)

It is a revelation from the Lord of all the worlds. (69:43)

It is nothing but a Reminder to all the worlds. (81:27)

But you will not will unless Allah wills, the Lord of all the Worlds. (81:29)

Do such people not realise that they will be raised up on a Terrible Day, the Day mankind will stand before the Lord of all the worlds? (83:4-6)

### **ALLEGIANCE**

Those who pledge you their allegiance pledge allegiance to Allah. Allah's hand is over their hands. He who breaks his pledge only breaks it against himself. But as for him who fulfils the contract he has made with Allah, We will pay him an immense reward. (48:10)

Allah was pleased with the believers when they pledged allegiance to you under the tree. He knew what was in their hearts, and sent down serenity to them and has rewarded them with an imminent victory. (48:18)

O Prophet! When women who believe come to you pledging allegiance to you on the grounds that they will not associate anything with Allah or steal or fornicate or kill their children or give a false ascription of paternity—making up lies about their bodies—or disobey you in respect of anything right, then accept their pledge and ask for forgiveness for them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (60:12)

### **ALMS (ZAKAH)**

Perform prayer and give the alms and bow with those who bow. (2:43)

Remember when We made a covenant with the tribe of Israel: 'Worship none but Allah and be good to your parents and to relatives and orphans and the very poor. And speak good words to people. And perform prayer and give the alms.' But then you turned away—except a few of you—you turned aside. (2:83)

Perform prayer and give the alms. Any good you send ahead for yourselves, you will find with Allah. Certainly Allah sees what you do. (2:110) It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves

free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

Those who believe and do right actions and perform prayer and give the alms, will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:277)

Do you not see those who were told: 'Hold back from fighting but perform prayer and give the alms'? Then when fighting is prescribed for them, a group of them fear people as Allah should be feared, or even more than that. They say, 'Our Lord, why have you prescribed fighting for us? If only You would give us just a little more time!' Say, 'The enjoyment of this world is very brief. The hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. You will not be wronged by so much as the smallest speck.' (4:77)

But those of them who are firmly rooted in knowledge, and the believers, believe in what has been sent down to you and what was sent down before you: those who perform prayer and give the alms, and believe in Allah and the Last Day—We will pay such people an immense wage. (4:162)

Allah made a covenant with the tribe of Israel and We raised up twelve leaders from among them. Allah said, 'I am with you. If you perform prayer and give the alms, and believe in My Messengers and respect and support them, and make a generous loan to Allah, I will erase your wrong actions from you and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Any of you who disbelieve after that have gone astray from the right way.' (5:12)

Your friend is only Allah and His Messenger and those who believe: those who perform prayer and give the alms, and bow. (5:55)

(Musa said,) 'Prescribe good for us in this world and the hereafter. We have truly turned to You.' He said, 'As for My punishment, I strike with it anyone I will. My mercy extends to all things but I will prescribe it for those who guard against evil and give the alms, and those who believe in Our

Signs.' (7:156)

Then, when the sacred months are over, kill the idolaters wherever you find them, and seize them and besiege them and lie in wait for them on every road. If they repent and perform prayer and give the alms, let them go on their way. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:5)

But if they repent and perform prayer and give the alms, they are your brothers in the religion. We make the Signs clear for people who have knowledge. (9:11)

The mosques of Allah should only be maintained by those who believe in Allah and the Last Day and perform prayer and give the alms, and fear no one but Allah. They are the ones most likely to be guided. (9:18)

Among them there are some who find fault with you concerning the alms. If they are given some of it, they are pleased but if they are not given any, they are angry. (9:58)

The alms are for: the poor, the destitute, those who collect it, reconciling people's hearts, freeing slaves, those in debt, spending in the Way of Allah, and travellers. It is a legal obligation from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:60)

The men and women of the believers are friends of one another. They command what is right and forbid what is wrong, and perform prayer and give the alms, and obey Allah and His Messenger. They are the people on whom Allah will have mercy. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:71)

Do they not know that Allah accepts repentance from His servants and acknowledges their alms, and that Allah is the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful? (9:104)

'Isa said, 'He has made me blessed wherever I am and directed me to perform prayer and give the alms as long as I live.' (19:31)

He (Isma'il) used to command his people to perform prayer and give the alms and he was pleasing to his Lord. (19:55)

We made them leaders, guiding by Our command, and revealed to them how to do good actions and perform prayer and give the alms, and they worshipped Us. (21:73)

(Believers are) those who, if We establish them firmly on the earth, will perform prayer and give

the alms, and command what is right and forbid what is wrong. The end result of all affairs is with Allah. (22:41)

Strive for Allah with the striving due to Him. He has selected you and not placed any constraint upon you in the religion—the religion of your forefather Ibrahim. He named you Muslims before and also in this, so that the Messenger could be witness against you and you could be witnesses against all mankind. So perform prayer and give the alms and hold fast to Allah. He is your Protector—the Best Protector, the Best Helper. (22:78)

(Believers are) those who give the alms. (23:4)

... there are men who proclaim His glory morning and evening, not distracted by trade or commerce from the remembrance of Allah and the performance of prayer and the giving of the alms; fearing a day when all hearts and eyes will be in turmoil. (24:36-37)

Perform prayer and give the alms and obey the Messenger so that hopefully mercy will be shown to you. (24:56)

(Believers are) those who perform prayer and give the alms and are certain about the hereafter. (27:3)

What you give with usurious intent, aiming to get back a greater amount from people's wealth, does not become greater with Allah. But anything you give as alms, seeking the Face of Allah—all who do that will get back twice as much. (30:39)

(Believers are) those who perform prayer and give the alms and are certain of the hereafter. (31:4)

Remain in your houses and do not display your beauty as it was previously displayed in the Time of Ignorance. Perform prayer and give the alms and obey Allah and His Messenger. Allah desires to remove all impurity from you, People of the House, and to purify you completely. (33:33)

Say: 'I am only a human being like yourselves. It is revealed to me that your god is One God. So be straight with Him and ask His forgiveness.'

Woe to those who associate others with Him: those who do not give the alms and reject the hereafter. (41:6-7)

Are you afraid to give gifts of charity before your private consultation? If you do not and Allah turns to you, at least perform prayer and give the alms, and obey Allah and His Messenger. Allah is aware of what you do. (58:13)

Your Lord knows that you stay up nearly two-thirds of the night—or half of it, or a third of it—and a group of those with you. Allah determines the night and day. He knows you will not keep count of it, so He has turned towards you. Recite as much of the Qur'an as is easy for you. He knows that some of you are ill and that others are travelling in the land seeking Allah's bounty, and that others are fighting in the Way of Allah. So recite as much of it as is easy for you. And perform prayer and give the alms and lend a generous loan to Allah. Whatever good you send ahead for yourselves you will find it with Allah as something better and as a greater reward. And seek forgiveness from Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (73:20)

They were only ordered to worship Allah, making their religion sincerely His as people of pure natural belief, and to perform prayer and give the alms—that is the religion of the correct. (98:5)

## **ALTAR**

Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and animals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviance. Today those who disbelieve have despaired of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3)

You who believe! Wine and gambling, stone altars and divining arrows are filth from the handi-

work of Satan. Avoid them completely so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:90)

## **AL-YASA' (AS)**

And Isma'il, al-Yasa', Yunus and Lut. All of them We favoured over all beings. (6:86)  
Remember Our servants Isma'il, Al-Yasa' and Dhu'l-Kifl; each of them was among the best of men. (38:48)

## **ANCESTORS**

Or were you present when death came to Ya'qub and he said to his sons, 'What will you worship when I have gone?' They said, 'We will worship your God, the God of your forefathers, Ibrahim, Isma'il and Ishaaq—one God. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:133)

When they are told, 'Follow what Allah has sent down to you,' They say, 'We are following what we found our fathers doing.' What, even though their fathers did not understand a thing and were not guided! (2:170)

When you have completed your rites, remember Allah as you used to remember your forefathers—or even more. There are some people who say, 'Our Lord, give us good in this world.' They will have no share in the hereafter. (2:200)

When they are told, 'Come to what Allah has sent down and to the Messenger,' they say, 'What we found our fathers doing is enough for us.' What! Even if their fathers did not know anything and were not guided! (5:104)

They do not measure Allah with His true measure when they say, 'Allah would not send down anything to a mere human being.' Say: 'Who, then, sent down the Book which Musa brought as a Light and Guidance for the people?' You put it down on sheets of paper to display it while concealing much. You were taught things you did not know, neither you nor your forefathers. Say: 'Allah!' Then leave them engrossed in playing their games. (6:91)

Those who associate others with Allah will say, 'If Allah had willed we would not have associated anything with Him, nor would our fathers; nor would we have made anything forbidden.' In the same way the people before them also lied

until they felt Our violent force. Say: 'Do you have some knowledge you can produce for us? You are following nothing but conjecture. You are only guessing.' (6:148)

Whenever they commit an indecent act, they say, 'We found our fathers doing it and Allah commanded us to do it too.' Say: 'Allah does not command indecency. Do you say things about Allah you do not know?' (7:28)

They said, 'Have you come to us to make us worship Allah alone and abandon what our fathers used to worship? Then bring us what you have promised us if you are telling the truth.' (7:70)

He (Nuh) said, 'Punishment and anger have come down on you from your Lord. Do you argue with me regarding names which you and your forefathers invented and for which Allah has sent down no authority? Wait, then; I am waiting with you.'

(7:71)

Then We gave them good in exchange for evil until they increased in number and said, 'Our forefathers too underwent both hardship and ease.' Then We seized them suddenly when they were not expecting it. (7:95)

Or lest you say, 'Our forefathers associated others with Allah before our time, and we are merely descendants coming after them. So are You going to destroy us for what those purveyors of falsehood did?' (7:173)

They said (to Musa), 'Have you come to us to turn us from what we found our fathers doing, and to gain greatness in the land? We do not believe you.'

(10:78)

They said, 'Salih, we had great hopes in you before this happened. Do you forbid us to worship what our fathers worshipped? We have grave doubts about what you are calling us to.' (11:62)

They said, 'Shu'ayb, do your prayers instruct you that we should abandon what our fathers worshipped or stop doing whatever we want to with our wealth? You are clearly the forbearing, the rightly-guided!' (11:87)

So be in no doubt about what these people worship. They only worship as their forebears worshipped previously. We will pay them their portion in full, with no rebate! (11:109)

(Yusuf's father said,) 'Accordingly your Lord will

pick you out and teach you the true meaning of events and perfectly fulfil His blessing on you as well as on the family of Ya'qub as He fulfilled it perfectly before upon your forebears, Ibrahim and Ishaq. Most certainly your Lord is Knowing, Wise.'

(12:6)

(Yusuf said,) 'I hold fast to the creed of my forebears Ibrahim and Ishaq and Ya'qub. We don't associate anything with Allah. And that is how Allah has favoured us and all mankind, but most do not give thanks.' (12:38)

(Yusuf said,) 'What you serve apart from Him are only names which you and your forefathers have made up. There is no mandate for them from Allah. Allah alone is qualified to judge. His order is to worship none but Him. That is in truth the straight and upright religion, but most of mankind simply do not know.' (12:40)

The idolaters say, 'If Allah had willed we would not have worshipped anything apart from Him, neither we nor our fathers, nor would we have forbidden anything without His say.' Those before them said the same. Are the Messengers responsible for anything but clear transmission? (16:35)

They have no knowledge of this, neither they nor their fathers. It is a monstrous utterance which has issued from their mouths. What they say is nothing but a lie. (18:5)

No indeed! We have given these people enjoyment, as We did their fathers, until life seemed long and good to them. Do they not see how We come to the land eroding it from its extremities? Or are they the victors? (21:44)

They said, 'We found our fathers worshipping them.' (21:53)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'You and your fathers are clearly misguided.' (21:54)

Strive for Allah with the striving due to Him. He has selected you and not placed any constraint upon you in the religion—the religion of your forefather Ibrahim. He named you Muslims before and also in this, so that the Messenger could be witness against you and you could be witnesses against all mankind. So perform prayer and give the alms and hold fast to Allah. He is your Protector—the Best Protector, the Best Helper. (22:78)

The ruling circle of those of his people who disbe-

lieved said, 'This is nothing but a human being like yourselves who simply wants to gain ascendancy over you. If Allah had wanted He would have sent angels down. We never heard of anything like this among our ancestors, the earlier peoples.' (23:24)

Do they not ponder these words? Has anything come to them that did not come to their ancestors, the previous peoples? (23:68)

(They say,) 'We and our forefathers were promised this before. This is nothing but the myths of previous peoples!' (23:83)

They will say, 'Glory be to You! It would not have been fitting for us to have taken any protectors apart from You. But You let them and their fathers enjoy themselves so that they forgot the Reminder. They were people devoid of good.' (25:18)

He (Musa) said, 'Your Lord and the Lord of your forefathers, the previous peoples.' (26:26)

They said, 'No, but this is what we found our fathers doing.' He said, 'Have you really thought about what you worship, you and your fathers who came before?' (26:74-76)

Those who disbelieve say, 'When we and our fathers are turned to dust will we then be brought forth again? We have been promised this before, we and our fathers. This is nothing but myths and legends of previous peoples.' (27:67-68)

But when Musa brought them Our Clear Signs they said, 'This is nothing but trumped-up magic. We never heard anything like this among our earlier forefathers.' (28:36)

When they are told: 'Follow what Allah has sent down,' they say, 'No, we will follow what we found our fathers doing.' What! Even if Satan is calling them to the punishment of the Blazing Fire? (31:21)

(They say,) 'When we are dead and turned to dust and bones will we then be raised up again alive? And our earlier ancestors as well?' (37:16-17)

They found their fathers misguided. (37:69)

(Ilyas said to his people,) 'Allah is your Lord and Lord of your forefathers, the previous peoples.' (37:126)

No, in fact they say, 'We found our fathers following a religion and we are simply guided in their footsteps.' (43:22)

Similarly We never sent any warner before you to any city without the affluent among them saying, 'We found our fathers following a religion and we are simply following in their footsteps.' (43:23)

Say: 'What if I have come with better guidance than what you found your fathers following?' They say, 'We reject what you have been sent with.' (43:24)

I let those people and their forefathers enjoy themselves until the truth came to them and a Messenger to make it clear. (43:29)

There is no god but Him—He gives life and causes to die—your Lord and the Lord of your forefathers, the previous peoples. (44:8)

(They say,) 'Bring us our fathers if you are telling the truth.' (44:36)

When Our Clear Signs are recited to them their only argument is to say, 'Bring us our fathers if you are telling the truth.' (45:25)

They are nothing but names which you yourselves have given, you and your forefathers. Allah has sent down no authority for them. They are following nothing but conjecture and what their own selves desire. And that when guidance has reached them from their Lord! (53:23)

And (before that the Companions of the Left were) saying, 'When we are dead and turned to dust and bones, shall we then be raised again or our forefathers, the earlier peoples?' (56:47-48)

## **ANGEL OF DEATH (AZRAEL)**

Say: 'The Angel of Death, who has been given charge of you, will take you back and then you will be sent back to your Lord.' (32:11)

## **ANGELS**

When your Lord said to the angels, 'I am putting an overlord on the earth,' they said, 'Why put on it one who will cause corruption on it and shed blood when we glorify You with praise and proclaim Your purity?' He said, 'I know what you do not know.' (2:30)

He taught Adam the names of all things. Then He arrayed them before the angels and said, 'Tell me the names of these if you are telling the truth.' (2:31)

We said to the angels, ‘Prostrate to Adam!’ and they prostrated, with the exception of Diabolis. He refused and was arrogant and was one of the disbelievers. (2:34)

(Say,) ‘Anyone who is the enemy of Allah and of His angels, and of His Messengers and of Gabriel and Michael, should know that Allah is the enemy of the disbelievers.’ (2:98)

They follow what the Satans recited in the reign of Sulayman. Sulayman did not disbelieve, but the Satans did, teaching people sorcery and what had been sent down to Harut and Marut, the two angels in Babylon, who taught no one without first saying to him, ‘We are merely a trial and temptation, so do not disbelieve.’ People learned from them how to separate a man and his wife but they cannot harm anyone by it, except with Allah’s permission. They have learned what will harm them and will not benefit them. They know that any who deal in it will have no share in the hereafter. What an evil thing they have sold themselves for if they only knew! (2:102) But as for those who disbelieve and die while they are disbelievers, the curse of Allah is upon them and that of the angels and all mankind. (2:161)

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

What are they waiting for but for Allah to come to them in the shadows of the clouds, together with the angels, in which case the matter will have been settled? All matters return to Allah. (2:210)

Their Prophet said to them, ‘The sign of his kingship is that the Ark will come to you, containing serenity from your Lord and certain relics left by

the families of Musa and Harun. It will be borne by angels. There is a sign for you in that if you are believers.’ (2:248)

The Messenger believes in what has been sent down to him from his Lord, and so do the believers. Each one believes in Allah and His angels and His Books and His Messengers. We do not differentiate between any of His Messengers. They say, ‘We hear and we obey. Forgive us, our Lord! You are our journey’s end.’ (2:285)

Allah bears witness that there is no god but Him, as do the angels and the people of knowledge, upholding justice. There is no god but Him, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (3:18)

The angels called out to him while he (Zakariyya) was standing in prayer in the Upper Room: ‘Allah gives you the good news of Yahya, who will come to confirm a Word from Allah, and will be a leader and a celibate, a Prophet and one of the righteous.’ (3:39)

And when the angels said, ‘Maryam, Allah has chosen you and purified you. He has chosen you over all other women.’ (3:42)

When the angels said, ‘Maryam, your Lord gives you good news of a Word from Him. His name is the Messiah, ‘Isa, son of Maryam, of high esteem in this world and the hereafter, and one of those brought near.’ (3:45)

He would never command you to take the angels and Prophets as Lords. Would He command you to disbelieve after being Muslim? (3:80)

The repayment of such people is that Allah’s curse is on them and that of the angels and of all mankind. (3:87)

And when you said to the believers, ‘Is it not enough for you that your Lord reinforced you with three thousand angels, sent down?’ (3:124) Yes indeed! But if you are steadfast and guard against evil and they come upon you suddenly, your Lord will reinforce you with five thousand angels, clearly identified. (3:125)

The angels ask those they take while they are wronging themselves, ‘What were your circumstances?’ They reply, ‘We were oppressed on earth.’ They say, ‘Was Allah’s earth not wide enough for you to have migrated elsewhere in it?’ The shelter of such people will be Hell. What an

evil destination! (4:97)

You who believe! Believe in Allah and His Messenger and in the Book He sent down to His Messenger, and the Books He sent down before. Anyone who rejects Allah and His angels and His Books and His Messengers and the Last Day has gone very far astray. (4:136)

But Allah bears witness to what He has sent down to you. He has sent it down with His knowledge. The angels bear witness as well. And Allah suffices as a Witness. (4:166)

The Messiah would never disdain to be a servant to Allah nor would the angels near to Him. If any do disdain to worship Him, and grow arrogant, He will in any case gather them all to Him. (4:172)

They say, 'Why has an angel not been sent down to him?' If We were to send down an angel, that would be the end of the affair and they would have no reprieve. (6:8)

And if We had made him an angel We would still have made him a man, and further confused for them the very thing they are confused about! (6:9) Say: 'I do not say to you that I possess the treasures of Allah, nor do I know the Unseen, nor do I say to you that I am an angel. I only follow what has been revealed to me.' Say: 'Are the blind the same as those who can see? So will you not reflect?' (6:50)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs, or who says, 'It has been revealed to me,' when nothing has been revealed to him, or someone who says, 'I will send down the same as Allah has sent down'? If you could only see the wrongdoers in the throes of death when the angels are stretching out their hands, saying, 'Disgorge your own selves! Today you will be repaid with the punishment of humiliation for saying something other than the truth about Allah, and being arrogant about His Signs.' (6:93)

Even if We sent down angels to them, and the dead spoke to them, and We gathered together everything in front of them right before their eyes, they would still not believe unless Allah willed. The truth is that most of them are ignorant. (6:111)

What are they waiting for but for the angels to

come to them or for your Lord Himself to come, or for one of your Lord's Signs to come? On the day that one of your Lord's Signs does come, no faith which a self professes will be of any use to it if it did not believe before and earn good in its faith. Say: 'Wait, then; We too are waiting.' (6:158)

We created you and then formed you and then We said to the angels, 'Prostrate before Adam,' and they prostrated—except for Diabolus. He was not among those who prostrated. (7:11)

Then Satan whispered to them, disclosing to them their private parts that had been concealed from them. He said, 'Your Lord has only forbidden you this tree lest you become angels or among those who live for ever.' (7:20)

Remember when you called on your Lord for help and He responded to you: 'I will reinforce you with a thousand angels riding rank after rank.' (8:9)

And when your Lord revealed to the angels, 'I am with you so make those who believe firm. I will cast terror into the hearts of those who disbelieve, so strike their necks and strike all their finger joints!' (8:12)

If only you could see when the angels take back those who disbelieved at their death, beating their faces and their backs: 'Taste the punishment of the Burning!' (8:50)

Perhaps you are leaving aside part of what has been revealed to you and your breast is constricted by this because they say, 'Why has treasure not been sent down to him or an angel not accompanied him?' You are only a warner and Allah is Guardian over all things. (11:12)

(Nuh said,) 'I do not say to you that I possess the treasures of Allah; nor do I know the Unseen; nor do I say that I am an angel; nor do I say to those who are vile in your eyes that Allah will not give them any good. Allah knows best what is in their hearts. If I did, I would certainly be one of the wrongdoers.' (11:31)

But when she heard of their malicious talk, she sent for them and made a sumptuous meal and then she gave a knife to each of them. She said, 'Go out to them.' When they saw him (Yusuf), they were amazed by him and cut their hands.

They said, 'Allah preserve us! This is no man. What can this be but a noble angel here!' (12:31) The thunder glorifies His praise, as do the angels, out of fear of Him. He discharges the thunderbolts, striking with them anyone He wills. Yet still they argue about Allah when He is inexorable in His power! (13:13)

Gardens of Eden which they will enter, and all of their parents, wives and children who were righteous. Angels will enter in to welcome them from every gate. (13:23)

(They say,) 'Why do you not bring angels to us if you are telling the truth?' (15:7)

The angels only descend with the truth and then they would be granted no reprieve. (15:8)

When your Lord said to the angels, 'I am creating a human being out of dried clay formed from fetid black mud.' (15:28)

Then the angels prostrated all together, every one of them. (15:30)

He sends down angels with the Spirit of His command to any of His servants He wills: 'Give warning that there is no god but Me, so have fear of Me!' (16:2)

As for those the angels take in death while they are wronging themselves, they will offer their submission: 'We did not do any evil.' Oh yes you did! Allah knows what you were doing. (16:28) (Those who guard against evil are) those the angels take in a virtuous state. They say, 'Peace be upon you! Enter the Garden for what you did.' (16:32)

What are they waiting for but the angels to come to them or your Lord's command to come? That is like what those before them did. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (16:33)

Everything in the heavens and every creature on the earth prostrates to Allah, as do the angels. They are not puffed up with pride. (16:49)

Has your Lord honoured you with sons and Himself taken the angels as daughters? It is truly something terrible that you say! (17:40)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam!' they prostrated, except for Diabolis. He said 'What! Am I to prostrate to one You have created out of clay?' (17:61)

They say, 'We will not believe you until you make a spring gush out from the earth for us; or have a garden of dates and grapes which you make rivers come pouring through; or make the sky, as you claim, fall down on us in lumps; or bring Allah and the angels here as a guarantee.' (17:90-92)

Say: 'If there had been angels on the earth going about in peace, We would have sent down to them an angel from heaven as Messenger.' (17:95)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam,' they prostrated with the exception of Diabolis. He was one of the jinn and wantonly deviated from his Lord's command. Do you take him and his offspring as protectors apart from Me when they are your enemy? How evil is the exchange the wrongdoers make! (18:50)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam!' they prostrated, with the exception of Diabolis who disdained to do it. (20:116) The greatest terror will not upset them and the angels will welcome them: 'This is your Day, the one that you were promised.' (21:103)

Allah chooses Messengers from the angels and from mankind. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Seeing. (22:75)

The ruling circle of those of his people who disbelieved said, 'This is nothing but a human being like yourselves who simply wants to gain ascendancy over you. If Allah had wanted He would have sent angels down. We never heard of anything like this among our ancestors, the earlier peoples.' (23:24)

They say, 'What is the matter with this Messenger, that he eats food and walks in the market-place? Why has an angel not been sent down to him so that it can be a warner along with him?' (25:7)

Those who do not expect to meet Us say, 'Why have angels not been sent down to us? Why do we not see our Lord?' They have become arrogant about themselves and are excessively insolent. (25:21)

On the Day they see the angels, there will be no good news that Day for the evildoers. They will say, 'There is an absolute ban.' (25:22)

The Day when Heaven is split apart in clouds, and the angels are sent down rank upon rank. (25:25)  
Say: 'The Angel of Death, who has been given charge of you, will take you back and then you will be sent back to your Lord.' (32:11)

It is He Who calls down blessing on you, as do His angels, to bring you out of the darkness into the light. He is Most Merciful to the believers. (33:43)  
Allah and His angels call down blessings on the Prophet. You who believe! Call down blessings on him and ask for complete peace and safety for him. (33:56)

On the Day We gather them all together and then say to the angels, 'Was it you whom these people were worshipping?' (34:40)

Praise be to Allah, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and earth, He Who made the angels messengers, with wings—two, three or four. He adds to creation in any way He wills. Allah has power over all things. (35:1)

They cannot eavesdrop on the Highest Assembly (of angels) and they are stoned from every side. (37:8)

Or did We create the angels female, with them as witnesses? (37:150)

(Say:) 'I knew nothing of the Highest Assembly (of angels) when they debated.' (38:69)

Your Lord said to the angels, 'I am going to create a human being out of clay.' (38:71)

So the angels prostrated, all of them together. (38:73)

You will see the angels circling round the Throne, glorifying their Lord with praise. It will be decided between them with truth. And it will be said: 'Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds.' (39:75)

When the Messengers came to them from in front and from behind, saying, 'Do not worship anyone but Allah,' they said, 'If our Lord had willed, He could have sent angels down, so we reject the Message you have been sent with.' (41:14)

The angels descend on those who say, 'Our Lord is Allah,' and then go straight: 'Do not fear and do not grieve but rejoice in the Garden you have been promised.' (41:30)

The heavens are all but rent asunder from above when the angels glorify their Lord with praise and

ask forgiveness for those who are on the earth. Allah is the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful. (42:5)

They have designated the angels as female, those who are in the presence of the All-Merciful! Were they present to witness their creation? Their testimony will be recorded and they will be asked about it! (43:19)

(Pharaoh said,) 'Why have gold bracelets not been put upon his arms and why is there not a train of angels accompanying him?' (43:53)

If We wished We could appoint angels in exchange for you to succeed you on the earth. (43:60)

How will it be when the angels take them in death, beating their faces and their backs? (47:27)

And how many angels there are in the heavens whose intercession is of no benefit at all until Allah has authorised those He wills and is pleased with them! (53:26)

Those who do not believe in the hereafter give the angels female names. (53:27)

If the two of you would only turn to Allah, for your hearts clearly deviated... But if you support one another against him, Allah is his Protector and so are Gabriel and every right-acting man of the believers and, furthermore, the angels too will come to his support. (66:4)

The angels will be gathered round its edge. On that Day, eight will bear the Throne of their Lord above their heads. (69:17)

The angels and the Spirit ascend to Him in a day whose length is fifty thousand years. (70:4)

We have only appointed angels as masters of the Fire and We have only specified their number as a trial for those who disbelieve; so that those who were given the Book might gain in certainty, and those who believe might increase in their faith, and both those who were given the Book and the believers might have no doubt; and so that those with sickness in their hearts and the disbelievers might say, 'What did Allah intend by this example?' In this way Allah misguides those He wills and guides those He wills. No one knows the legions of your Lord but Him. This is nothing but a reminder to all human beings. (74:31)

On the Day when the Spirit and the angels stand in ranks, no one will speak, except for him who is authorised by the All-Merciful and says what is right. (78:38)

And your Lord arrives with the angels rank upon rank. (89:22)

In it the angels and the Spirit descend by their Lord's authority with every ordinance. (97:4)

## ANGER

Guide us on the Straight Path, the Path of those You have blessed, not of those with anger on them, nor of the misguided. (1:5-7)

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces--its green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,' he said, 'Do you want to replace what is better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.' Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon themselves. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

What an evil thing they have sold themselves for in rejecting what Allah has sent down, outraged that Allah should send down His favour on whichever of His servants He wills. They have brought down anger upon anger on themselves. The disbelievers will have a humiliating punishment. (2:90)

They will be plunged into abasement wherever they are found, unless they have a treaty with Allah and with the people. They have brought down anger from Allah upon themselves, and they have been plunged into destitution. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they disobeyed and went beyond the limits. (3:112)

Is someone who pursues the pleasure of Allah the same as someone who incurs displeasure from Allah and whose refuge is Hell? What an evil destination! (3:162)

As for anyone who kills a believer deliberately,

his repayment is Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. Allah is angry with him and has cursed him, and has prepared for him a terrible punishment. (4:93)

Say: 'Shall I tell you of a reward with Allah far worse than that: that of those whom Allah has cursed and with whom He is angry--turning some of them into monkeys and into pigs--and who worshipped false gods? Such people are in a worse situation and further from the right way.' (5:60)

You see many of them taking those who disbelieve as their friends. What their lower selves have advanced for them is evil indeed, bringing Allah's anger down upon them. They will suffer punishment timelessly, for ever. (5:80)

He said, 'Punishment and anger have come down on you from your Lord. Do you argue with me regarding names which you and your forefathers invented and for which Allah has sent down no authority? Wait, then; I am waiting with you.' (7:71)

When Musa returned to his people in anger and great sorrow, he said, 'What an evil thing you did in my absence after I left! Did you want to hasten your Lord's command?' He threw down the Tablets and seized hold of his brother's head, dragging him towards him. Harun said, 'Son of my mother, The people oppressed me and almost killed me. Do not give my enemies cause to gloat over me. Do not include me with the wrongdoers people.' (7:150)

As for those who adopted the Calf, anger from their Lord will overtake them together with abasement in the life of this world. That is how we repay the purveyors of falsehood. (7:152)

When Musa's anger abated he picked up the Tablets and in their inscription was guidance and mercy for all of them who feared their Lord. (7:154)

Anyone who turns his back on them that day, unless he is withdrawing to rejoin the fight or withdrawing to support another group, brings Allah's anger down upon himself. His refuge is Hell. What an evil destination! (8:16)

Among them there are some who find fault with you concerning the alms. If they are given some

of it, they are pleased but if they are not given any, they are angry. (9:58)

Those who reject Allah after having believed—except for someone forced to do it whose heart remains at rest in its faith—but as for those whose breasts become dilated with disbelief, anger from Allah will come down on them. They will have a terrible punishment. (16:106)

Eat of the good things We have provided for you but do not go to excess in it or My anger will be unleashed on you. Anyone who has My anger unleashed on him has plunged to his ruin. (20:81)

Musa returned to his people in anger and great sorrow. He said, ‘My people, did not your Lord make you a handsome promise? Did the fulfilment of the contract seem too long to you or did you want to unleash your Lord’s anger upon yourselves, so you broke your promise to me?’ (20:86)

And Dhu’n-Nun when he left in anger and thought We would not punish him. He called out in the pitch darkness: ‘There is no god but You! Glory be to You! Truly I have been one of the wrongdoers.’ (21:87)

And the punishment is removed from her if she testifies four times by Allah that he (her husband) is lying and a fifth time that Allah’s anger will be upon her if he is telling the truth. (24:8-9)

Those who disbelieved will be addressed: ‘Allah’s hatred of you, when you were called to faith but then chose disbelief, is even greater than your hatred of yourselves.’ (40:10)

The argument of those who argue about Allah, once He has been acknowledged, has no basis whatsoever with their Lord. There is anger upon them and they will have a harsh punishment. (42:16)

(Believers are) those who avoid major wrong actions and indecencies and who, when they are angered, then forgive. (42:37)

That is because they followed what angers Allah and hated what is pleasing to Him. So He made their actions come to nothing. (47:28)

And so that He might punish the men and women of the hypocrites and the men and women of the idolaters—those who think bad

thoughts about Allah. They will suffer an evil turn of fate. Allah is angry with them, and has cursed them and prepared Hell for them. What an evil destination! (48:6)

Do you not see those who have turned to people with whom Allah is angry? They belong neither to you nor to them. And they swear to falsehood and do so knowingly. (58:14)

You who believe! Do not make friends of people with whom Allah is angry, who have despaired of the hereafter as the disbelievers have despaired of the inhabitants of the graves. (60:13)

## ANIMALS

Perform the pilgrimage and the pious visit for Allah. If you are forcibly prevented, make whatever sacrifice is feasible. But do not shave your heads until the sacrificial animal has reached the place of sacrifice. If any of you are ill or have a head injury, the expiation is fasting or charity or sacrifice when you are safe and well again. And if you are secure, then he who takes advantage of a pious visit before the pilgrimage should make whatever sacrifice is feasible. For any one who cannot, there is three days’ fast on pilgrimage and seven on your return—that is ten in all. That is for anyone whose family does not live near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Have fear of Allah and know that Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:196)

When he leaves you, he goes about the earth corrupting it, destroying crops and animals. Allah does not love corruption. (2:205)

You who believe! Fulfil your contracts. All livestock animals are lawful for you, except those that are recited to you now; but it is still not lawful to hunt while you are in the state of pilgrimage. Allah makes whatever judgements He wills. (5:1)

You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond

the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and animals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviance. Today those who disbelieve have despaired of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3)

They will ask you what is lawful for them. Say: 'All good things are lawful for you, and also what is caught for you by hunting animals which you have trained as Allah has taught you. Eat what they catch for you, mentioning Allah's name over it.' And have fear of Allah. Allah is swift at reckoning. (5:4)

You who believe! Allah will test you with game animals which come within the reach of your hands and spears, so that Allah will know those who fear Him in the Unseen. Anyone who oversteps the limits after this will have a painful punishment. (5:94)

You who believe! Do not kill game while you are in the state of pilgrimage. If one of you kills any deliberately, the reprisal for it is a livestock animal equivalent to what he killed, as judged by two just men among you, a sacrifice to reach the Kaaba, or expiation by feeding the poor, or fasting commensurate with that, so that he may taste the evil consequences of what he did. Allah has pardoned all that took place in the past; but if anyone does it again Allah will take revenge on him. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (5:95)

Allah has made the Kaaba, the Sacred House, a special institution for mankind, and also the sacred months and the sacrificial animals and the ritual garlands. That is so you will know that Allah knows what is in the heavens and in the earth and that Allah has knowledge of all things. (5:97)

They say, 'These animals and crops are sacrosanct. No one may eat them except those we wish',—as they allege—and animals on whose backs it is forbidden to ride, and animals over which they do not mention Allah's name, inventing falsehood against Him. He will repay them for the things they have invented. (6:138)

They say, 'What is in the wombs of these animals is exclusively for our men and forbidden for our wives. But if it is stillborn, they can share in it.' He will repay them for their false depiction. He is All-Wise, All-Knowing. (6:139)

And also animals for riding and for haulage and animals for slaughtering and for wool. Eat what Allah has provided for you and do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He is an outright enemy to you. (6:142)

We made forbidden for the Jews every animal with an undivided hoof, and in respect of cattle and sheep, We made their fat forbidden for them, except what is attached to their backs or guts or mixed up with bone. That is how We repaid them for their insolence. And We certainly speak the truth. (6:146)

The worst of animals in the sight of Allah are those who disbelieve and do not believe. (8:55)

The metaphor of the life of this world is that of water which We send down from the sky, and which then mingles with the plants of the earth to provide food for both people and animals. Then, when the earth is at its loveliest and takes on its fairest guise and its people think they have it under their control, Our command comes upon it by night or day and We reduce it to dried-out stubble, as though it had not been flourishing just the day before! In this way We make Our Signs clear for people who reflect. (10:24)

It is He Who sends down water from the sky. From it you drink and from it come the shrubs among which you graze your herds. (16:10)

Announce the Pilgrimage to mankind. They will come to you on foot and on every sort of lean animal, coming by every distant road so that they can be present at what will profit them and invoke Allah's name on specific days over livestock He has provided for them. Eat of them and feed those who are poor and in need. (22:27-28) You can make use of the sacrificial animals until a specified time, and then their place of sacrifice is by the Ancient House. (22:33)

We have appointed the sacrificial animals for you as one of the sacred rites of Allah. There is good in them for you, so invoke Allah's name over them, as they stand in rows. And then when they collapse on their sides, eat of them and feed both those who ask and those who are too shy to ask. In this way We have subjected them to you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (22:36) We revealed to him: 'Build the Ship under Our supervision and as We reveal. When Our command comes and water bubbles up from the earth, load into it a pair of every (animal) species, and your family—except for those among them against whom the word has already gone ahead. And do not address Me concerning those who do wrong. They shall be drowned. (23:27)

Allah created every animal from water. Some of them go on their bellies, some of them on two legs, and some on four. Allah creates whatever He wills. Allah has power over all things. (24:45) It is He Who sends out the winds, bringing advance news of His mercy. And We send down from heaven pure water so that by it We can bring a dead land to life and give drink to many of the animals and people We created. (25:48-49)

### **ANSAR (SUPPORTERS)**

The forerunners—the first of the Migrants (Muhajirun) and the Supporters (Ansar)—and those who have followed them in doing good: Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. He has prepared Gardens for them with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. That is the great victory. (9:100)

Allah has turned towards the Prophet, and the Migrants (Muhajirun) and the Supporters (Ansar),

those who followed him at the 'time of difficulty', after the hearts of a group of them had almost deviated. Then He turned towards them—He is All-Gentle, Most Merciful to them. (9:117)

Those who were already settled in the abode, and in faith, before they came, love those who have migrated to them and do not find in their hearts any need for what they have been given and prefer them to themselves even if they themselves are needy. It is the people who are safeguarded from the avarice of their own selves who are successful. (59:9)

### **ANT**

Then, when they reached the Valley of the Ants, an ant said, 'Ants! Enter your dwellings so that Sulayman and his troops do not crush you unwittingly.' (27:18)

### **APE**

You are well aware of those of you who broke the Sabbath. We said to them, 'Be apes, despised, cast out.' (2:65)

Say: 'Shall I tell you of a reward with Allah far worse than that: that of those whom Allah has cursed and with whom He is angry—turning some of them into monkeys and into pigs—and who worshipped false gods? Such people are in a worse situation and further from the right way.' (5:60)

When they were insolent about what they had been forbidden to do, We said to them, 'Be apes, despised, cast out!' (7:166)

### **APPETITE**

To mankind the love of worldly appetites is painted in glowing colours: women and children, and heaped-up mounds of gold and silver, and horses with fine markings, and livestock and fertile farmland. All that is merely the enjoyment of the life of this world. The best homecoming is in the presence of Allah. (3:14)

Allah desires to turn towards you, but those who pursue their lower appetites desire to make you deviate completely. (4:27)

An evil generation succeeded them who neg-

lected the prayer and followed their appetites. They will plunge into the Valley of Evil—(19:59) But as for him who feared the Station of his Lord and forbade the lower self its appetites, the Garden will be his refuge. (79:40-41)

No indeed! You do not honour orphans nor do you urge the feeding of the poor; you devour inheritance with voracious appetites and you have an insatiable love of wealth. (89:17-20)

## ARABIC

We have sent it down as an Arabic Qur'an so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (12:2) Accordingly We have sent it down as a judgement in Arabic. If you followed their whims and desires after the knowledge that has come to you, you would have no protector or defender against Allah. (13:37)

We know that they say, 'It is only a human being who is teaching him.' The language of him they allude to is a foreign one whereas this is in clear and lucid Arabic. (16:103)

In this way We have sent it down as an Arabic Qur'an and We have made various threats in it so that hopefully they will guard against evil or it will spur them into remembrance. (20:113)

The Faithful Spirit brought it down to your heart so you would be one of the Warners in a clear Arabic tongue. (26:193-195)

If We had sent it down to a non-Arab who had then recited it to them, they still would not believe in it. (26:198-199)

We have given all kinds of examples to people in this Qur'an, so that hopefully they will pay heed—an Arabic Qur'an with no distortion in it, so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (39:27-28)

A Book whose verses have been demarcated for people who know as an Arabic Qur'an. (41:3)

Accordingly We have revealed to you an Arabic Qur'an so that you may warn the Mother of Cities (Makka) and those around it, and give warning of the Day of Gathering about which there is no doubt: one group in the Garden, the other in the Blazing Fire. (42:7)

We have made it an Arabic Qur'an so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (43:3)

But before it there was the Book of Musa as a model and a mercy. And this is a corroborating Book in the Arabic tongue so that you may warn those who do wrong, and as good news for the good-doers. (46:12)

## A'RAF (SEE THE HEIGHTS)

### ARAFAT

There is nothing wrong in seeking bounty from your Lord. When you pour down from Arafat, remember Allah at the Sacred Landmark. Remember Him because He has guided you, even though before this you were astray. Then press on from where the people press on and ask Allah's forgiveness. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:198-199)

### ARGUMENT

Say, 'Do you argue with us about Allah when He is our Lord and your Lord? We have our actions and you have your actions. We act for Him alone.' (2:139)

What about the one who argued with Ibrahim about his Lord, on the basis that Allah had given him sovereignty? Ibrahim said, 'My Lord is He Who gives life and causes to die.' He said, 'I too give life and cause to die.' Ibrahim said, 'Allah makes the sun come from the East. Make it come from the West.' And the one who was a disbeliever was dumbfounded. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (2:258)

If they argue with you, say, 'I have submitted myself completely to Allah, and so have all who follow me.' Say to those given the Book and those who have no Book, 'Have you become Muslim?' If they become Muslim, they have been guided. If they turn away, you are only responsible for transmission. Allah sees His servants. (3:20)

This is news from the Unseen which We reveal to you. You were not with them when they cast their reeds to see which of them would be the guardian of Maryam. You were not with them when they quarrelled. (3:44)

If anyone argues with you about him after the knowledge that has come to you, say, 'Come

then! Let us summon our sons and your sons, our women and your women, ourselves and yourselves. Then let us make earnest supplication and call down the curse of Allah upon the liars.' (3:61)

(Say,) 'People of the Book! Why do you argue concerning Ibrahim when the Torah and Gospel were only sent down after him? Why do you not use your intellect? You are people arguing about something of which you have no knowledge. Why do you argue about something of which you have no knowledge? Allah knows; you do not know.' (3:65-66)

(A group of the People of the Book say,) 'Do not trust anyone except for those who follow your religion.' Say, 'Allah's guidance is true guidance. But you think it is impossible for anyone to be given the same as you were given, or to argue with you before your Lord.' Say, 'All favour is in Allah's Hand and He gives it to whoever He wills. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing.' (3:73)

Allah fulfilled His promise to you when you were slaughtering them by His permission. But then you faltered, disputing the command, and disobeyed after He showed you what you love. Among you are those who want this world and among you are those who want the hereafter. Then He turned you from them in order to test you—but He has pardoned you. Allah shows favour to the believers. (3:152)

No, by your Lord, they are not believers until they make you their judge in the disputes that break out between them, and then find no resistance within themselves to what you decide and submit themselves completely. (4:65)

Do not argue on behalf of those who betray themselves. Allah does not love any evildoing traitors. (4:107)

Here you are arguing on their behalf in this world, but who will argue with Allah on their behalf on the Day of Rising? Who will act as guardian for them then? (4:109)

And (on account of) their saying, 'We killed the Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, Messenger of Allah.' They did not kill him and they did not crucify him but it was made to seem so to them.

Those who argue about him are in doubt about it. They have no real knowledge of it, just conjecture. But they certainly did not kill him. (4:157)

His people argued with him. He (Ibrahim) said, 'Are you arguing with me about Allah when He has guided me? I have no fear of any partner you ascribe to Him unless my Lord should will such a thing to happen. My Lord encompasses all things in His knowledge so will you not pay heed?' (6:80)

He (Hud) said, 'Punishment and anger have come down on you from your Lord. Do you argue with me regarding names which you and your forefathers invented and for which Allah has sent down no authority? Wait, then; I am waiting with you.' (7:71)

Remember when Allah showed them to you in your dream as only a few. If He had shown you them as many, you would have lost heart and quarrelled about the matter; but Allah saved you. He knows what your hearts contain. (8:43)

Obey Allah and His Messenger and do not quarrel among yourselves lest you lose heart and your momentum disappear. And be steadfast. Allah is with the steadfast. (8:46)

They said, 'Nuh, you have argued with us and argued much so bring us what you have promised us if you are telling the truth.' (11:32)

When the feeling of fear left Ibrahim, and the good news reached him, he disputed with Us about the people of Lut. (11:74)

The thunder glorifies His praise, as do the angels, out of fear of Him. He discharges the thunderbolts, striking with them anyone He wills. Yet still they argue about Allah when He is inexorable in His power! (13:13)

On that Day every self will come to argue for itself and every self will be paid in full for what it did. They will not be wronged. (16:111)

Call to the way of your Lord with wisdom and fair admonition, and argue with them in the kindest way. Your Lord knows best who is misguided from His way. And He knows best who are guided. (16:125)

They argued among themselves about the matter and had a secret conference. (20:62)

Among people there is one who argues about Allah without knowledge, and follows every rebellious Satan. (22:3)

Among people there is one who argues about Allah without knowledge or guidance or any light-giving Book. (22:8)

Here are two rival groups who disputed concerning their Lord. Those who disbelieve will have garments of fire cut out for them, and boiling water poured over their heads. (22:19)

We have appointed for every nation a rite that they observe, so let them not dispute with you about the matter. Call the people to your Lord. You are guided straight. (22:67)

If they do argue with you, say: 'Allah knows best what you are doing.' (22:68)

Arguing in it with one another, they will say, 'By Allah, we were plainly misguided.' (26:96-97)

Only argue with the People of the Book in the kindest way—except in the case of those of them who do wrong—saying, 'We believe in what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to you. Our God and your God are one and we submit to Him.' (29:46)

Do you not see that Allah has subjected to you everything in the heavens and earth and has showered His blessings upon you, both outwardly and inwardly? Yet there are people who argue about Allah without knowledge or guidance or any illuminating Book. (31:20)

What are they waiting for but one Great Blast to seize them while they are quibbling? (36:49)

All this is certainly true—the bickering of the people of the Fire. (38:64)

Then on the Day of Rising you will argue in the presence of your Lord. (39:31)

Those who argue about the Signs of Allah without any authority coming to them do something hateful in the sight of Allah and in the sight of the people who believe. That is how Allah seals up the heart of every arrogant oppressor. (40:35)

Certainly those who argue about the Signs of Allah without any authority having come to them have nothing in their breasts except for pride which they will never be able to vindicate. Therefore seek refuge with Allah. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Seeing. (40:56)

Do you not see those who argue about Allah's Signs? How have they been turned around? (40:69) The argument of those who argue about Allah, once He has been acknowledged, has no basis whatsoever with their Lord. There is anger upon them and they will have a harsh punishment. (42:16)

Those who argue about Our Signs should know that they have no way of escape. (42:35)

He will say, 'Do not argue in My presence when I gave you advance warning of the Threat.' (50:28)

## **ARIM**

But they turned away so We unleashed against them the flood from the great dam and exchanged their two gardens for two others containing bitter-tasting plants and tamarisk and a few lotus trees. (34:16)

## **ARK (OF THE COVENANT)**

Their Prophet said to them, 'The sign of his kingship is that the Ark will come to you, containing serenity from your Lord and certain relics left by the families of Musa and Harun. It will be borne by angels. There is a sign for you in that if you are believers.' (2:248)

## **ARK (OF NUH (AS))**

But they denied him (Nuh) so We rescued him and those with him in the Ark. And We drowned the people who denied Our Signs. They were a blind people. (7:64)

But they denied him (Nuh) so We rescued him, and all those with him, in the Ark and We made them the successors and We drowned the people who denied Our Signs. See the final fate of those who were warned! (10:73)

(It was revealed to Nuh:) 'Build the Ark under Our supervision and as We reveal and do not address Me concerning the wrongdoers. They shall be drowned.' (11:37)

He (Nuh) began to build the Ark and every time some nobles of his people passed him by, they ridiculed him. He said, 'Though you ridicule us now, we will certainly ridicule you as you do us.' (11:38)

We rescued him (Nuh) and the occupants of the Ark and made that into a Sign for all the worlds. (29:15)

## ARMY

Those of you who turned their backs on the day the two armies clashed—it was Satan who made them slip for what they had done. But Allah has pardoned them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (3:155)

What assailed you on the day the two armies met was by Allah's permission, so that He would know the believers, (3:166)

We did not send down to his people any army from heaven after him nor would We send one down. (36:28)

They have taken gods besides Allah so that perhaps they may be helped. They cannot help them even though they are an army mobilised in their support. (36:74-75)

It is Our army which will be victorious. (37:173)  
(He said,) 'Leave the sea divided as it is. They are an army who will be drowned.' (44:24)

So We seized him and his armies and hurled them into the sea, and he was to blame. (51:40)

## ARROGANCE

We said to the angels, 'Prostrate to Adam!' and they prostrated, with the exception of Diabolis. He refused and was arrogant and was one of the disbelievers. (2:34)

We gave Musa the Book and sent a succession of Messengers after him. We gave 'Isa, son of Maryam, the Clear Signs and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. Why then, whenever a Messenger came to you with something your lower selves did not desire, did you grow arrogant, and deny some of them and murder others? (2:87)

What they call on apart from Him are female idols. What they call on is an arrogant Satan. (4:117)

The Messiah would never disdain to be a servant to Allah nor would the angels near to Him. If any do disdain to worship Him, and grow arrogant, He will in any case gather them all to Him. (4:172)

As for those who believe and do right actions, He will pay them their wages in full and will give

them increase from His favour. As for those who show disdain and grow arrogant, He will punish them with a painful punishment. They will not find any protector or helper for themselves besides Allah. (4:173)

You will find that the people most hostile to those who believe are the Jews and the idolaters. You will find the people most affectionate to those who believe are those who say, 'We are Christians.' That is because some of them are priests and monks and because they are not arrogant. (5:82)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs, or who says, 'It has been revealed to me,' when nothing has been revealed to him, or someone who says, 'I will send down the same as Allah has sent down'? If you could only see the wrongdoers in the throes of death when the angels are stretching out their hands, saying, 'Disgorge your own selves! Today you will be repaid with the punishment of humiliation for saying something other than the truth about Allah, and being arrogant about His Signs.' (6:93)

He said, 'Descend from Heaven. It is not for you to be arrogant in it. So get out! You are one of the abased.' (7:13)

But as for those who reject Our Signs and are arrogant regarding them, they are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (7:36)

As for those who deny Our Signs and are arrogant regarding them, the Gates of Heaven will not be opened for them, and they will not enter the Garden until a camel goes through a needle's eye. That is how We repay the evildoers. (7:40)

The Companions of the Heights will call out to men they recognise by their mark, saying, 'What you amassed was of no use to you, nor was your arrogance.' (7:48)

The ruling circle of those of his people who were arrogant said to those who were oppressed—those among them who believed—'Do you know that Salih has been sent from his Lord?' They said, 'We believe in what he has been sent with.' (7:75)

Those who were arrogant said, 'We reject Him in whom you believe.' (7:76)

The ruling circle of those of his people who were arrogant said, 'We will drive you out of our city, Shu'ayb, you and those who believe along with you, unless you return to our religion.' He said, 'What, even though we detest it?' (7:88)

So We sent down on them floods, locusts, lice, frogs and blood, Signs, clear and distinct, but they proved arrogant and were an evildoing people. (7:133)

I will divert from My Signs all those who are arrogant in the earth without any right. If they see every Sign, they will not believe in it. If they see the way of right guidance, they will not take it as a way. But if they see the way of error, they will take that as a way. That is because they denied Our Signs and paid no attention to them. (7:146) Do not be like those who left their homes in arrogance, showing off to people and barring them from the way of Allah—Allah encompasses what they do. (8:47)

Then after them We sent Musa and Harun with Our Signs to Pharaoh and his ruling circle, but they were arrogant and were a people of evildoers. (10:75)

They will all parade before Allah and the weak will say to those who were arrogant, 'We followed you, so can you help us at all against the punishment of Allah?' They will say, 'If Allah had guided us, we would have guided you. It makes no difference whether we cannot stand it or bear it patiently. We have no way of escape.' (14:21)

Your God is One God. As for those who do not believe in the hereafter, their hearts are in denial and they are puffed up with pride. (16:22)

(The evildoers will be told,) 'Enter the gates of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. How evil is the abode of the arrogant!' (16:29)

Do not strut arrogantly about the earth. You will certainly never split the earth apart nor will you ever rival the mountains in height. (17:37)

('Isa said,) 'And (He directed me) to show devotion to my mother. He has not made me insolent or arrogant.' (19:32)

Everyone in the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. Those in His presence do not consider themselves too great to worship Him and do not grow tired of it. (21:19)

Among people there is one who argues about Allah without knowledge or guidance or any light-giving Book, turning away arrogantly, to misguide people from the Way of Allah. He will be disgraced in this world and on the Day of Rising We will make him taste the punishment of the Burning. (22:8-9)

Then We sent Musa and his brother Harun with Our Signs and clear authority to Pharaoh and his ruling circle. But they were proud and were a haughty people. (23:45-46)

(The affluent will be told,) 'My Signs were recited to you and you turned round on your heels, arrogant towards it, talking arrant nonsense all night long.' (23:66-67)

Those who do not expect to meet Us say, 'Why have angels not been sent down to us? Why do we not see our Lord?' They have become arrogant about themselves and are excessively insolent. (25:21)

And they repudiated them wrongly and haughtily, in spite of their own certainty about them. See the final fate of the corrupters. (27:14)

Pharaoh exalted himself arrogantly in the land and divided its people into camps, oppressing one group of them by slaughtering their sons and letting their women live. He was one of the corrupters. (28:4)

He and his troops were arrogant in the land without any right. They thought that they would not return to Us. (28:39)

That abode of the hereafter—We grant it to those who do not seek to exalt themselves in the earth or to cause corruption in it. The successful outcome is for those who guard against evil. (28:83) And Qarun and Pharaoh and Haman—Musa came with the Clear Signs to them, but they were arrogant on the earth. They could not outstrip Us. (29:39)

When Our Signs are recited to such a person, he turns away arrogantly as if he had not heard, as if there was a great weight in his ears. So give him news of a painful punishment. (31:7)

Do not avert your face from people out of haughtiness and do not strut about arrogantly on the earth. Allah does not love anyone who is vain or boastful. (31:18)

The people who truly do believe in Our Signs are those who fall to the ground prostrating when they are reminded of them, and glorify their Lord with praise, and are not arrogant. (32:15)

Those who disbelieve say, 'We will never believe in this Qur'an, nor in what came before it.' If only you could see when the wrongdoers, standing in the presence of their Lord, cast accusations back and forth at one another! Those deemed weak will say to those deemed great, 'Were it not for you, we would have been believers!' (34:31)

Those deemed great will say to those deemed weak, 'Did we debar you from the guidance when it came to you? No, it is you who were evildoers.' (34:32)

They swore by Allah with their most earnest oaths that if a warner came to them they would be better guided than any other community. But then when a warner did come to them, it only increased their aversion, shown by their arrogance in the land and evil plotting. But evil plotting envelops only those who do it. Do they expect anything but the pattern of previous peoples? You will not find any changing in the pattern of Allah. You will not find any alteration in the pattern of Allah. (35:42-43)

When they were told, 'There is no god but Allah,' they were arrogant. (37:35)

So the angels prostrated (to Adam), all of them together, except for Diabolus who was arrogant and was one of the disbelievers. (38:73-74)

'No, the fact is that My Signs came to you but you denied them and were arrogant and were one of the disbelievers.' (39:59)

On the Day of Rising you will see those who lied against Allah with their faces blackened. Do not the arrogant have a dwelling place in Hell? (39:60)

They will be told, 'Enter the gates of Hell and stay there timelessly, for ever. How evil is the abode of the arrogant!' (39:72)

Musa said, 'I seek refuge in my Lord and your Lord from every proud man who does not believe in the Day of Reckoning.' (40:27)

Those who argue about the Signs of Allah without any authority coming to them do something hateful in the sight of Allah and in the sight of the people who believe. That is how Allah seals up

the heart of every arrogant oppressor. (40:35)

When they are squabbling with one another in the Fire, the weak will say to those deemed great, 'We were your followers, so why do you not relieve us of a portion of the Fire?' (40:47)

Those deemed great will say, 'All of us are in it. Allah has clearly judged between His servants.' (40:48)

Your Lord says, 'Call on Me and I will answer you. Those who are too proud to worship Me will enter Hell abject.' (40:60)

(Disbelievers will be told,) 'Enter the gates of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. How evil is the abode of the arrogant!' (40:76)

'Ad were arrogant in the land, without any right, saying, 'Who has greater strength than us?' Did they not see that Allah, Who created them, had greater strength than them? But they renounced Our Signs. (41:15)

If they grow arrogant, those who are with your Lord glorify Him night and day and never grow tired. (41:38)

And (Musa said:) 'Do not exalt yourselves above Allah. I come to you with clear authority.' (44:19)

We rescued the tribe of Israel from the humiliating punishment, from Pharaoh—he was haughty, one of the profligate. (44:30-31)

Woe to every wicked liar who hears the Signs of Allah recited to him and then persists in his arrogance just as if he had never heard them. Give him the news of a painful punishment. (45:7-8)

But as for those who disbelieved: 'Were My Signs not recited to you and yet you proved arrogant; you were a people of evildoers?' (45:31)

Say: 'What do you think? If it is from Allah and you reject it, when a witness from the tribe of Israel testifies to its similarity and believes while you are arrogant...! Allah certainly does not guide wrongdoing people.' (46:10)

On the Day when those who disbelieved are exposed to the Fire: 'You dissipated the good things you had in your worldly life and enjoyed yourself in it. So today you are being repaid with the punishment of humiliation for being arrogant in the earth without any right and for being deviators.' (46:20)

When they are told, 'Come, and the Messenger of

Allah will ask forgiveness for you,' they turn their heads and you see them turn away in haughty arrogance. (63:5)

(Nuh said,) 'Indeed, every time I called them to Your forgiveness, they put their fingers in their ears, wrapped themselves up in their clothes and were overweeningly arrogant.' (71:7)

Then he (who was obdurate about Our Signs) drew back and was proud. (74:23)

## **ARROWS**

Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and animals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviance. Today those who disbelieve have despaired of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3)

You who believe! Wine and gambling, stone altars and divining arrows are filth from the handiwork of Satan. Avoid them completely so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:90)

## **ASHAB AL-AYKA (SEE COMPANIONS OF THE THICKET)**

## **ASHAB AL-FIL (SEE COMPANIONS OF THE ELEPHANT)**

## **ASHAB AL-KAHF (SEE COMPANIONS OF THE CAVE)**

## **ASHAB AL-MAIMANA (SEE COMPANIONS OF THE RIGHT)**

## **ASHAB AL-MASH'AMA (SEE COMPANIONS OF THE LEFT)**

## **ASHAB AL-'UKHDUD (SEE COMPANIONS OF THE PIT)**

## **ASHAB AL-YEMEEN (SEE COMPANIONS OF THE RIGHT)**

## **ASKING LORD (DU'A)**

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces—its green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,' he said, 'Do you want to replace what is better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.' Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon themselves. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

They said, 'Ask your Lord to make it clear to us what it should be like.' He said, 'He says it should be a cow, not old or virgin, but somewhere between the two. So do as you have been told.' (2:68)

They said, 'Ask your Lord to make it clear to us what colour it should be.' He said, 'He says it should be a yellow cow, a pleasure to all who look.' (2:69)

They said, 'Ask your Lord to make it clear to us what it should be like. Cows are all much the same to us. Then, if Allah wills, we will be guided.' (2:70)

## **ASSOCIATING PARTNERS WITH ALLAH (SHIRK)**

Some people set up equals to Allah, loving them as they should love Allah. But those who believe have greater love for Allah. If only you could see those who do wrong at the time when they see the punishment, and that truly all strength belongs to Allah, and that Allah is severe in punishment. (2:165)

Say, 'People of the Book! Come to a proposition

which is the same for us and you—that we should worship none but Allah and not associate any partners with Him and not take one another as lords besides Allah.' If they turn away, say, 'Bear witness that we are Muslims.' (3:64)

We will cast terror into the hearts of those who disbelieve because they have associated others with Allah for which He has not sent down any authority. Their shelter will be the Fire. How evil is the abode of the wrongdoers! (3:151)

Worship Allah and do not associate anything with Him. Be good to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to neighbours who are related to you and neighbours who are not related to you, and to companions and travellers and your slaves. Allah does not love anyone vain or boastful. (4:36)

Allah does not forgive anything being associated with Him but He forgives whoever He wills for anything other than that. Anyone who associates something with Allah has committed a terrible crime. (4:48)

Allah does not forgive anything being associated with Him but He forgives whoever He wills for anything other than that. Anyone who associates something with Allah has gone very far astray. (4:116)

Those who say that the Messiah, son of Maryam, is Allah are disbelievers. The Messiah said, 'Tribe of Israel! Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord. If anyone associates anything with Allah, Allah has forbidden him the Garden and his refuge will be the Fire.' The wrongdoers will have no helpers. (5:72)

Say: 'What thing is greatest as a witness?' Say: 'Allah. He is Witness between me and you. This Qur'an has been revealed to me so that I may warn you by it, and anyone else it reaches. Do you then bear witness that there are other gods together with Allah?' Say: 'I do not bear witness.' Say: 'He is only One God, and I am free of all you associate with Him.' (6:19)

It is Him you call on and, if He wills, He will deliver you from whatever it was that made you call on Him; and you will forget what you associated with Him. (6:41)

Say: 'Allah rescues you from it, and from every

plight. Then you associate others with Him.' (6:64)

Then when he saw the sun come up he (Ibrahim) said, 'This is my Lord! This is greater!' Then when it set he said, 'My people, I am free of what you associate with Allah!' (6:78)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Why should I fear what you have associated with Him when you yourselves apparently have no fear of associating partners with Allah for which He has sent down no authority to you? Which of the two parties is more entitled to feel safe, if you have any knowledge?' (6:81)

That is Allah's guidance. He guides by it those of His servants He wills. If they had associated others with Him, nothing they did would have been of any use. (6:88)

You have come to Us all alone just as We created you at first, leaving behind you everything We bestowed on you. We do not see your intercessors accompanying you, those you claimed were your partners with Allah. The link between you is cut. Those you made such claims for have forsaken you. (6:94)

Yet they make the jinn co-partners with Allah when He created them! And they attribute sons and daughters to Him without any knowledge. Glory be to Him! He is far above what they describe! (6:100)

If Allah had willed, they would not have associated anything with Him. We did not appoint you over them as their keeper and you are not set over them as their guardian. (6:107)

They assign to Allah a share of the crops and livestock He has created, saying, 'This is for Allah,'—as they allege—'and this is for our idols.' Their idols' share does not reach Allah whereas Allah's share reaches their idols! What an evil judgement they make! (6:136)

In the same way their idols have made killing their children appear good to many of the idolaters, in order to destroy them and confuse them in their religion. If Allah had willed, they would not have done it; so abandon them and what they fabricate. (6:137)

Those who associate others with Allah will say, 'If Allah had willed we would not have associated anything with Him, nor would our fathers;

nor would we have made anything forbidden.' In the same way the people before them also lied until they felt Our violent force. Say: 'Do you have some knowledge you can produce for us? You are following nothing but conjecture. You are only guessing.' (6:148)

Say: 'Come and I will recite to you what your Lord has made forbidden for you': that you do not associate anything with Him; that you are good to your parents; that you do not kill your children because of poverty—We will provide for you and them; that you do not approach indecency—outward or inward; that you do not kill any person Allah has made inviolate—except with the right to do so. That is what He instructs you to do so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (6:151)

Say: 'My prayer and my rites, my living and my dying, are for Allah alone, the Lord of all the worlds, Who has no partner. I am commanded to be like that and I am the first of the Muslims.' (6:162-163)

Say: 'My Lord has forbidden indecency, both open and hidden, and wrong action, and unrightful tyranny, and associating anything with Allah for which He has sent down no authority, and saying things about Allah you do not know.' (7:33)

Or lest you say, 'Our forefathers associated others with Allah before our time, and we are merely descendants coming after them. So are You going to destroy us for what those purveyors of falsehood did?' (7:173)

Then when He granted them a healthy, upright child, they associated what He had given them with Him. But Allah is far above what they associate with Him! (7:190)

Do they make things into partner-gods which cannot create anything and are themselves created? (7:191)

Do they have legs they can walk with? Do they have hands they can grasp with? Do they have eyes they can see with? Do they have ears they can hear with? Say: 'Call on your partner-gods and try all your wiles against me and grant me no reprieve.' (7:195)

They have taken their rabbis and monks as lords

besides Allah, and also the Messiah, son of Maryam. Yet they were commanded to worship only one God. There is no god but Him! Glory be to Him above anything they associate with Him! (9:31)

They worship, instead of Allah, what can neither harm them nor help them, saying, 'These are our intercessors with Allah.' Say: 'Would you inform Allah of something about which He does not know either in the heavens or on the earth?' May He be glorified and exalted above what they associate with Him! (10:18)

Recite to them the story of Nuh when he said to his people, 'My people, if my standing here and reminding you of Allah's Signs has become too much for you to bear, know that I have put my trust in Allah. So decide, you and your gods, on what you want to do and be open about it. Do with me whatever you decide and do not keep me waiting.' (10:71)

(Yusuf said,) 'I hold fast to the creed of my forebears Ibrahim and Ishaq and Ya'qub. We don't associate anything with Allah. And that is how Allah has favoured us and all mankind, but most do not give thanks.' (12:38)

Most of them do not believe in Allah without associating others with Him. (12:106)

Say: 'Who is the Lord of the heavens and the earth?' Say: 'Allah.' Say: 'So why have you taken protectors apart from Him who possess no power to help or harm themselves?' Say: 'Are the blind and seeing equal? Or are darkness and light the same? Or have they assigned partners to Allah who create as He creates, so that all creating seems the same to them?' Say: 'Allah is the Creator of everything. He is the One, the All-Conquering.' (13:16)

What then of Him Who is standing over every self seeing everything it does? Yet still they associate others with Allah! Say: 'Name them! Or would you inform Him of something in the earth He does not know, or are they words which are simply guesswork on your part?' However, the plotting of those who disbelieve seems good to them and they bar the way. Anyone misguided by Allah has no guide. (13:33)

Those to whom We gave the Book rejoice at

what has been sent down to you but some of the parties refuse to acknowledge part of it. Say: 'I have only been ordered to worship Allah and not to associate anything with Him. I summon to Him and to Him I will return.' (13:36)

When the affair is decided Satan will say, 'Allah made you a promise, a promise of truth, and I made you a promise but broke my promise. I had no authority over you, except that I called you and you responded to me. Do not, therefore, blame me but blame yourselves. I cannot come to your aid nor you to mine. I reject the way you associated me with Allah before.' The wrongdoers will have a painful punishment. (14:22)

Allah's command is coming, so do not try to hasten it. Glory be to Him! He is exalted above anything they associate with Him. He sends down angels with the Spirit of His command to any of His servants He wills: 'Give warning that there is no god but Me, so have fear of Me!' He created the heavens and the earth with truth. He is exalted above anything they associate with Him. (16:1-3)

Then on the Day of Rising He will disgrace them, and say, 'Where are My partner gods for whose sake you became so hostile?' Those given knowledge will say, 'Today there is disgrace and evil for the disbelievers.' (16:27)

But when He removes the harm from you, a group of you associate others with their Lord. (16:54)

He (Satan) only has authority over those who take him as a friend and associate others with Allah. (16:100)

Say: 'Allah knows best how long they stayed. The Unseen of the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. How perfectly He sees, how well He hears! They have no protector apart from Him. Nor does He share His rule with anyone.' (18:26)

'He is, however, Allah, my Lord, and I will not associate anyone with my Lord.' (18:38)

The fruits of his labour were completely destroyed and he woke up wringing his hands in grief, ruing everything that he had spent on it. It was a ruin with all its trellises fallen in. He said, 'Oh, if only I had not associated anyone with my Lord!' (18:42)

On the Day He says, 'Call My partner-gods, those for whom you made such claims,' they will call on them but they will not respond to them. We will place between them an unbridgeable gulf. (18:52)

Say: 'I am only a human being like yourselves. It is revealed to me that your god is One God. So let him who hopes to meet his Lord act rightly and not associate anyone in the worship of his Lord.' (18:110)

And We located the position of the House for Ibrahim: 'Do not associate anything with Me and purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stand and bow and prostrate.' (22:26)

Be people of pure natural belief in Allah, not associating anything else with Him. As for anyone who associates others with Allah, it is as though he had fallen from the sky and the birds had seized him and carried him away or the wind had dropped him in a distant place. (22:31)

those who do not associate anything with their Lord, (23:59)

Knower of the Unseen and the Visible! May He be exalted above all they associate with Him! (23:92)

Allah has promised those of you who believe and do right actions that He will make them successors in the land as He made those before them successors, and will firmly establish for them their religion with which He is pleased and give them, in place of their fear, security. 'They worship Me, not associating anything with Me.' Any who disbelieve after that, such people are deviators. (24:55)

Say: 'Praise be to Allah and peace be upon His servants whom He has chosen.' Is Allah better, or what you associate with Him? (27:59)

He Who guides you in the darkness of land and sea and sends out the winds bringing advance news of His mercy. Is there another god besides Allah? May Allah be exalted above what they associate with Him! (27:63)

On the Day when He summons them He will say, 'Where are they, those you claimed were My associates?' (28:62)

They will be told, 'Call on your partner-gods!' They will call on them but they will not respond

to them. They will see the punishment. Oh if only they had been guided! (28:64)  
Your Lord creates and chooses whatever He wills. The choice is not theirs. Glory be to Allah! He is exalted above anything they associate with Him! (28:68)

On the Day when He summons them He will say, 'Where are they, those you claimed to be My associates?' (28:74)

We have instructed man to honour his parents, but if they endeavour to make you associate with Me something about which you have no knowledge, do not obey them. It is to Me you will return and I will inform you about the things you did. (29:8)

When they embark in ships, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His, but then when He delivers them safely to the land, they associate others with Him. (29:65)

None of their partner-gods will intercede for them. They will reject their partner-gods. (30:13)

He has made an example for you from among yourselves. Are any of the slaves you own partners with you in what We have provided for you so that you are equal in respect of it, you fearing them the same as one another? In that way We make Our Signs clear for people who use their intellect. (30:28)

When harm touches people they call on their Lord, repenting to Him. But then, when He gives them a taste of mercy from Him, a group of them immediately associate others with their Lord. (30:33)

Or have We sent down some authority to them, which advocates associating others with Him? (30:35)

Allah is He Who created you, then provides for you, then will cause you to die and then bring you back to life. Can any of your partner-gods do any of that? Glory be to Him and may He be exalted above anything they associate with Him! (30:40)  
When Luqman said to his son, counselling him, 'My son, do not associate anything with Allah. Associating others with Him is a terrible wrong.' (31:13)

We have instructed man concerning his parents. Bearing him caused his mother great debility and the period of his weaning was two years: 'Give

thanks to Me and to your parents. I am your final destination. But if they try to make you associate something with Me about which you have no knowledge, do not obey them. Keep company with them correctly and courteously in this world but follow the Way of him who turns to Me. Then you will return to Me and I will inform you about the things you did.' (31:14-15)

Say: 'Call on those you make claims for besides Allah. They have no power over even the smallest particle, either in the heavens or in the earth. They have no share in them. He has no need of their support.' (34:22)

Say: 'Show me those you have joined to Him as associates. No indeed! He is Allah, the Almighty, the All-Wise.' (34:27)

If you call on them they will not hear your call, and were they to hear, they would not respond to you. On the Day of Rising they will reject your making associates of them. No one can inform you like One who is All-aware. (35:14)

Say: 'Have you thought about your partner gods, those you call upon besides Allah? Show me what they have created of the earth; or do they have a partnership in the heavens?' Have We given them a Book whose Clear Signs they follow? No indeed! The wrongdoers promise each other nothing but delusion. (35:40)

Allah has made a metaphor for them of a man owned by several partners in dispute with one another and another man wholly owned by a single man. Are they the same? Praise be to Allah! The fact is that most of them do not know. (39:29)

It has been revealed to you and those before you: 'If you associate others with Allah, your actions will come to nothing and you will be among the losers.' (39:65)

That is because when Allah alone is called upon you disbelieve, but if others are associated with Him, you believe. Judgement belongs to Allah, the All-High, the All-Great. (40:12)

You call me to reject Allah and to associate something with Him about which I have no knowledge, while I call you to the Almighty, the Endlessly Forgiving. (40:42)

Then they will be asked, 'Where are those be-

sides Allah you associated with Him?' (40:73)

When they saw Our violent force, they said, 'We believe in Allah alone and reject what we associated with Him.' (40:84)

Knowledge of the Hour is referred to Him. And no fruit emerges from its husk, nor does any female get pregnant or give birth, without His knowledge. On the Day He calls out to them: 'Where are My associates?' they will say, 'We declare to you that none of us is a witness.' (41:47)

Or do they have partners who have laid down a religion for them for which Allah has not given any authority? Were it not for the prior Word of Decision, the judgement between them would already have been made. The wrongdoers will have a painful punishment. (42:21)

Say: 'Have you thought about those you call upon apart from Allah? Show me what they have created on the earth. Or do they have a partnership in the heavens? Produce a Book for me before this one or a shred of knowledge if you are telling the truth.' (46:4)

Do not set up another god together with Allah. Truly I bring you a clear warning from Him. (51:51) He is Allah—there is no god but Him. He is the King, the Most Pure, the Perfect Peace, the Trustworthy, the Safeguarder, the Almighty, the Compeller, the Supremely Great. Glory be to Allah above all they associate with Him. (59:23)

O Prophet! When women who believe come to you pledging allegiance to you on the grounds that they will not associate anything with Allah or steal or fornicate or kill their children or give a false ascription of paternity—making up lies about their bodies—or disobey you in respect of anything right, then accept their pledge and ask forgiveness for them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (60:12)

Or do they have Divine partners? Then let them produce their partners if they are telling the truth! (68:41)

(Say,) 'It leads to right guidance so we believe in it and will not associate anyone with our Lord.' (72:2)

Say: 'I call only upon my Lord and do not associate anyone else with Him.' (72:20)

## ASTRAY

Allah does not forgive anything being associated with Him but He forgives whoever He wills for anything other than that. Anyone who associates something with Allah has gone very far astray. (4:116)

You who believe! Believe in Allah and His Messenger and in the Book He sent down to His Messenger, and the Books He sent down before. Anyone who rejects Allah and His angels and His Books and His Messengers and the Last Day has gone very far astray. (4:136)

Those who disbelieve and bar access to the Way of Allah have gone very far astray. (4:167)

The call of truth is made to Him alone. Those they call upon apart from Him do not respond to them at all. It is like someone stretching out his cupped hands towards water to convey it to his mouth: it will never get there. The call of the disbelievers only goes astray. (13:14)

Say: 'As for those who are astray, let the All-Merciful prolong their term until they see what they were promised, whether it be the punishment or the Hour. Then they will know who is in the worse position and has the weaker troops.' (19:75)

If they do not respond to you then know that they are merely following their whims and desires. And who could be further astray than someone who follows his whims and desires without any guidance from Allah? Allah does not guide the people of the wrongdoers. (28:50)

Say: 'Who provides for you from the heavens and earth?' Say: 'Allah. It is certain that one or the other of us, either we or you, is following guidance or else clearly astray.' (34:24)

His inseparable comrade will say, 'Our Lord, I did not make him overstep the limits. He was, in any case, far astray.' (50:27)

## ATTRACTIVE

Say: 'Bad things and good things are not the same, even though the abundance of the bad things may seem attractive to you.' Have fear of Allah, people of intelligence, so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:100)

If only they had humbled themselves when Our violent force came upon them! However, their

hearts were hard and Satan made what they were doing seem attractive to them. (6:43)  
Do not curse those they call upon besides Allah, in case that makes them curse Allah in animosity, without knowledge. In this way We make the actions of every nation seem attractive to them. Then they will return to their Lord, and He will inform them about what they did. (6:108)

Is someone who was dead and whom We brought to life, supplying him with a light by which to walk among people, the same as someone who is in utter darkness, unable to emerge from it? That is how what they were doing is made to seem attractive to the disbelievers. (6:122)

Restrain yourself patiently with those who call on their Lord morning and evening, desiring His face. Do not turn your eyes from them, desiring the attractions of this world. And do not obey someone whose heart We have made neglectful of Our remembrance and who follows his own whims and desires and whose life has transgressed all bounds. (18:28)

Pharaoh said, 'Haman, build me a tower so that perhaps I may gain means of access, access to the heavens, so that I can look on Musa's God. Truly I think he is a liar.' That is how Pharaoh's evil actions were made attractive to him and he debarred others from the Path. Pharaoh's scheming led to nothing but ruin. (40:36-37)

## AUTHORITY

The People of the Book will ask you to bring down a Book from heaven to them. They asked Musa for even more than that. They said, 'Let us see Allah with our own eyes.' So the lightning-bolt struck them down for their wrongdoing. Then they adopted the Calf after the Clear Signs had come to them, but We pardoned them for that and gave Musa clear authority. (4:153)

Say: 'My Lord has forbidden indecency, both open and hidden, and wrong action, and unrightful tyranny, and associating anything with Allah for which He has sent down no authority, and saying things about Allah you do not know.' (7:33)

Or have We sent down some authority to them, which advocates associating others with Him? (30:35)

## AVARICE

Satan promises you poverty and commands you to avarice. Allah promises you forgiveness from Him and abundance. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing. (2:268)

Those who were already settled in the abode, and in faith, before they came, love those who have migrated to them and do not find in their hearts any need for what they have been given and prefer them to themselves even if they themselves are needy. It is the people who are safeguarded from the avarice of their own selves who are successful. (59:9)

So have fear of Allah, as much as you are able to, and listen and obey and spend for your own benefit. It is the people who are safe-guarded from the avarice of their own selves who are successful. (64:16)

## AWE

We responded to him (Zakariyya) and gave him Yahya, restoring for him his wife's fertility. They outdid one another in good actions, calling out to Us in yearning and in awe, and humbling themselves to Us. (21:90)

All who obey Allah and His Messenger and have awe of Allah and fear of Him, they are the ones who are victorious. (24:52)

## AYYUB (AS) (JOB)

We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh and the Prophets who came after him. And We revealed to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and 'Isa and Ayyub and Yunus and Harun and Sulayman. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (4:163)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, each of whom We guided. And before him We had guided Nuh. And among his descendants were Dawud and Sulayman, and Ayyub, Yusuf, Musa and Harun. That is how We recompense the good-doers. (6:84)

And Ayyub when he called out to his Lord, 'Great harm has afflicted me and You are the Most Merciful of the merciful.' (21:83)

Remember Our servant Ayyub when he called on his Lord: 'Satan has afflicted me with exhaust-

tion and suffering.' 'Stamp your foot! Here is a cool bath and water to drink.' We gave him back his family and the same again with them as a mercy from Us and a reminder for people of intellect. 'Take a bundle of rushes in your hand and strike with that but do not break your oath.' We found him steadfast. What an excellent servant! He truly turned to his Lord. (38:41-44)

### **AZAR**

Remember when Ibrahim said to his father, Azar, 'Do you take idols as gods? I see that you and your people are clearly misguided.' (6:74)

### **AZRAEL (SEE ANGEL OF DEATH)**

## B

### BABYLON

They follow what the Satans recited in the reign of Sulayman. Sulayman did not disbelieve, but the Satans did, teaching people sorcery and what had been sent down to Harut and Marut, the two angels in Babylon, who taught no one without first saying to him, 'We are merely a trial and temptation, so do not disbelieve.' People learned from them how to separate a man and his wife but they cannot harm anyone by it, except with Allah's permission. They have learned what will harm them and will not benefit them. They know that any who deal in it will have no share in the hereafter. What an evil thing they have sold themselves for if they only knew! (2:102)

### BACK

Those who deny the meeting with Allah have lost, so that, when the Hour comes upon them suddenly, they will say, 'Alas for what we neglected there!' They will bear their burdens on their backs. How evil is what they bear! (6:31)

They say, 'These animals and crops are sacro-sanct. No one may eat them except those we wish', – as they allege – and animals on whose backs it is forbidden to ride, and animals over which they do not mention Allah's name, inventing falsehood against Him. He will repay them for the things they have invented. (6:138)

We made forbidden for the Jews every animal with an undivided hoof, and in respect of cattle and sheep, We made their fat forbidden for them, except what is attached to their backs or guts or mixed up with bone. That is how We repaid them for their insolence. And We certainly speak the truth. (6:146)

On the Day it is heated up in the fire of Hell and their foreheads, sides and backs are branded with it (and they are told): 'This is what you hoarded for yourselves, so taste what you were hoarding!' (9:35)

If those who disbelieve only knew of the time when they will not be able to keep the Fire away from their faces or their backs! And they will receive no help! (21:39)

It is He Who created all the species and gave you ships and livestock for you to ride, so that you might sit firmly on their backs and remember your Lord's blessing while you are seated on them, saying, 'Glory be to Him Who has subjected this to us. We could never have done it by ourselves.' (43:12-13)

Say to the Arabs who remained behind: 'You will be called up against a people who possess great force whom you must fight unless they submit. If you obey, Allah will give you an excellent reward. But if you turn your backs as you did before, He will punish you with a painful punishment.' (48:16)

There is no constraint on the blind, nor on the lame, nor on the sick. We will admit all who obey Allah and His Messenger into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. But We will punish with a painful punishment anyone who turns his back. (48:17)

Then he drew back and was proud. (74:23)

But he denied it and disobeyed, and then he hastily backed away. (79:21-22)

### BACKBITING

You who believe! Avoid most suspicion. Indeed some suspicion is a crime. And do not spy and do not backbite one another. Would any of you like to eat his brother's dead flesh? No, you would hate it. And have fear of Allah. Allah is Ever-Returning, Most Merciful. (49:12)

(Do not obey) any backbiter, slanderer, (68:11)

Woe to every faultfinding backbiter. (104:1)

### BADR (WAR OF BADR)

There was a sign for you in the two parties which met face to face, one party fighting in the Way of Allah and the other disbelievers. You saw them as twice their number with your own eyes. Allah reinforces with His help whoever He wills. There is instruction in that for people of insight. (3:13) Remember when you left your family early in the day to instal the believers in their battle stations. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. And remember when two of your clans were on the point of losing heart and Allah was their Protector. Let the

believers put their trust in Allah. Allah helped you at Badr when you were weak so have fear of Allah, so that hopefully you will be thankful. And when you said to the believers, 'Is it not enough for you that your Lord reinforced you with three thousand angels, sent down?' Yes indeed! But if you are steadfast and guard against evil and they come upon you suddenly, your Lord will reinforce you with five thousand angels, clearly identified. Allah only did this for it to be good news for you and so that your hearts might be set at rest by it (help comes from no one but Allah, the Almighty, the All-Wise) and so that He might cut off a group of those who disbelieve or crush them and they might be turned back in defeat. (3:121-127)

(Believers are) those to whom people said, 'The people have gathered against you, so fear them.' But that merely increased their faith and they said, 'Allah is enough for us and the Best of Guardians.' (3:173)

So they returned with blessings and bounty from Allah and no evil touched them. They pursued the pleasure of Allah. Allah's favour is indeed immense. (3:174)

When Allah promised you that one of the two parties would be yours and you would have liked it to have been the unarmed one, whereas Allah desired to verify the Truth by His words and to cut off the last remnant of the disbelievers. This was so that He might verify the Truth and nullify the false, even though the evildoers hate that. Remember when you called on your Lord for help and He responded to you: 'I will reinforce you with a thousand angels riding rank after rank.' Allah only did this to give you good news and that so your hearts would be at rest. Victory comes from no one but Allah. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. And when He overcame you with sleep, making you feel secure, and sent you down water from heaven to purify you and remove the taint of Satan from you, and to fortify your hearts and make your feet firm. And when your Lord revealed to the angels, 'I am with you so make those who believe firm. I will cast terror into the hearts of those who disbelieve, so strike their necks and strike all their finger joints!' (8:7-12)

If it was a decisive victory you were seeking, that victory has clearly been won. If you desist, it will be better for you; but if you return, We also will return. Your troops will not help you at all, however many they are. Allah is with the believers. (8:19)

When you were on the nearer slope, and they were on the further slope and the caravan was lower down than you. If you had made an appointment with them you would have broken the appointment. However, it happened so that Allah could settle a matter whose result was preordained: so that those who died would die with clear proof, and those who lived would live with clear proof. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. Remember when Allah showed them to you in your dream as only a few. If He had shown you them as many, you would have lost heart and quarrelled about the matter; but Allah saved you. He knows what your hearts contain. Remember when Allah made you see them as few when you met them, and also made you seem few in their eyes. This was so that Allah could settle a matter whose result was preordained. All matters return to Allah. (8:42-44)

It is not fitting for a Prophet to take captives until he has thoroughly subdued the land. You desire the goods of this world, whereas Allah desires the hereafter. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (8:67) But if they mean to betray you, they have already previously betrayed Allah, so He has given you power over them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (8:71)

## BAKKA

The first House established for mankind was that at Bakka, a place of blessing and a guidance for all beings. (3:96)

## BALANCE

We will set up the Just Balance on the Day of Rising and no self will be wronged in any way. Even if it is no more than the weight of a grain of mustard-seed, We will produce it. We are sufficient as a Reckoner. (21:47)

Weigh with a level balance. (26:182)

As for him whose balance is heavy, he will have

a most pleasant life. But as for him whose balance is light, his motherland is Hawiya. (101:6-9)

### **BARRENNESS**

He (Zakariyya) said, 'My Lord, how can I possibly have a son when I have reached old age and my wife is barren?' He said, 'It will be so. Allah does whatever He wills.' (3:40)

(Zakariyya said,) 'I fear my relatives when I am gone and my wife is barren, so give me an heir from You.' (19:5)

He (Zakariyya) said, 'My Lord! How can I have a boy when my wife is barren and I have reached advanced old age?' (19:8)

Or He gives them both sons and daughters; and He makes whoever He wishes barren. Truly He is All-Knowing, All-Powerful. (42:50)

His (Ibrahim's) wife came up with a shriek and struck her face and said, 'What, and me a barren old woman!' (51:29)

### **BARRIER**

They said, 'Dhu'l-Qarnayn! Yajuj and Majuj are causing corruption in the land. Can we, therefore, pay tribute to you in return for your constructing a barrier between us and them?' (18:94)

He (Dhu'l-Qarnayn) said, 'The power my Lord has granted me is better than that. Just give me a strong helping hand and I will build a solid barrier between you and them.' (18:95)

It is He Who has unloosed both seas—the one sweet and refreshing, the other salty and bitter—and put a dividing line between them, an uncrossable barrier. (25:53)

He Who made the earth a stable dwelling place and appointed rivers flowing through its midst and placed firmly embedded mountains on it and set a barrier between the two seas. Is there another god besides Allah? No indeed, but most of them do not know it! (27:61)

A barrier will be set up between them and the thing that they desire, just as was done with their kind before. They too were in a state of crippling doubt. (34:54)

We have placed a barrier in front of them and a barrier behind them, blindfolding them so that they cannot see. (36:9)

He has let loose the two seas, converging together, with a barrier between them they do not break through. (55:19-20)

### **BATTLE**

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

Remember when you left your family early in the day to instal the believers in their battle stations. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (3:121)

You who believe, be steadfast; be supreme in steadfastness; be firm on the battlefield; and have fear of Allah; so that hopefully you will be successful. (3:200)

You who believe! When you encounter those who disbelieve advancing in massed ranks into battle, do not turn your backs on them. (8:15)

So do not obey the disbelievers but use this (the Qur'an) to battle against them with all your might. (25:52)

### **BATTLE OF THE TRENCH**

You who believe! Remember Allah's blessing to you when forces came against you and We sent a wind against them and other forces you could not see. Allah sees what you do. (33:9)

When they came at you from above you and below you, when your eyes rolled and your hearts rose to your throats, and you thought unworthy thoughts about Allah, at that point the believers were tested and severely shaken. (33:10-11)

When the hypocrites and people with sickness in their hearts said, 'What Allah and His Messenger promised us was mere delusion.' (33:12)

And a group of them said, 'People of Yathrib,

Your position is untenable so return!' some of them asked the Prophet to excuse them, saying, 'Our houses are exposed,' when they were not exposed; it was merely that they wanted to run away. (33:13)

If they had been overrun from every side, and had then been asked to revert to disbelief, they would have done so and hesitated very little about it. (33:14)

Yet they had previously made a contract with Allah that they would never turn their backs. Contracts made with Allah will be asked about. (33:15)

Say: 'Flight will not benefit you if you try to run away from death or being killed. Then you will only enjoy a short respite.' (33:16)

Say: 'Who is going to shield you from Allah if He desires evil for you or desires mercy for you?' They will find no one to protect or help them besides Allah. (33:17)

Allah knows the obstructors among you and those who say to their brothers, 'Come to us,' and who only come to fight a very little, and are begrudging towards you. Then when fear comes, you see them looking at you, their eyes rolling like people scared to death. But when fear departs they flay you with sharp tongues, grasping for wealth. Such people have no faith and Allah will make their actions come to nothing. That is easy for Allah. (33:18-19)

They think that the Confederates have not departed and if the Confederates did appear then they would wish they were out in the desert with the Arabs, asking for news of you. If they were with you they would only fight a very little. (33:20)

You have an excellent model in the Messenger of Allah, for all who put their hope in Allah and the Last Day and remember Allah much. (33:21)

When the believers saw the Confederates they said: 'This is what Allah and His Messenger promised us. Allah and His Messenger told us the truth.' It only increased them in faith and in submission. (33:22)

Among the believers there are men who have been true to the contract they made with Allah. Some of them have fulfilled their pact by death

and some are still waiting to do so, not having changed in any way at all. (33:23)

So that Allah might recompense the truthful for their truth and punish the hypocrites, if He wills, or turn towards them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:24)

Allah sent back those who disbelieved in their rage without their achieving any good at all. Allah made it unnecessary for the believers to fight. Allah is Most Strong, Almighty. (33:25)

## BATTLE OF UHUD

Remember when you left your family early in the day to instal the believers in their battle stations. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. And remember when two of your clans were on the point of losing heart and Allah was their Protector. Let the believers put their trust in Allah. (3:121-122)

If you have received a wound, they have already received a similar wound. We deal out such days to people turn by turn, so that Allah will know those who believe and can gather martyrs from among you—Allah does not love wrongdoers—and so that Allah can purge those who believe and wipe out the disbelievers. Or did you imagine that you were going to enter the Garden without Allah knowing those among you who had struggled and knowing the steadfast? You were longing for death before you met it. Now you have seen it with your own eyes. Muhammad is only a Messenger and he has been preceded by other Messengers. If he were to die or be killed, would you turn on your heels? Those who turn on their heels do not harm Allah in any way. Allah will recompense the thankful. (3:140-144)

Those of you who turned their backs on the day the two armies clashed—it was Satan who made them slip for what they had done. But Allah has pardoned them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (3:155)

If you are killed in the Way of Allah or if you die, forgiveness and mercy from Allah are better than anything you can acquire. (3:157)

Why is it that when a calamity happens to you, when you have already inflicted twice as much, you say, 'How could this possibly happen?' Say, 'It has come from your own selves.' Allah has

power over all things. (3:165)

What assailed you on the day the two armies met was by Allah's permission, so that He would know the believers, and so that He would know the hypocrites. They were told, 'Come and fight in the Way of Allah or at least help defend us.' They said, 'If we knew how to fight, we would certainly follow you.' They were closer to disbelief that day than to faith, saying with their mouths what was not in their hearts. And Allah knows best what they are hiding. They are those who said of their brothers, when they themselves had stayed behind, 'If they had only obeyed us, they would not have been killed.' Say, 'Then ward off death from yourselves if you are telling the truth.' (3:166-168)

### **BEAST**

The likeness of those who disbelieve is that of the beast which, call out to it as one may, can hear nothing but a shout and a cry. Deaf-dumb-blind. They do not use their intellect. (2:171)

Do you not see that everyone in the heavens and everyone on the earth prostrates to Allah, and the sun and moon and stars and the mountains, trees and beasts and many of mankind? But many of them inevitably merit punishment. Those Allah humiliates will have no one to honour them. Allah does whatever He wills. (22:18)

When the wild beasts are all herded together... (81:5)

### **BEAST OF THE EARTH (DABBATUL ARDH)**

When the Word is justly carried out against them, We will produce a Beast from the earth which will speak to them. Truly mankind had no certainty about Our Signs. (27:82)

### **BED**

Their sides eschew their beds as they call on their Lord in fear and ardent hope. And they give of what We have provided for them. (32:16)

### **BEE**

Your Lord revealed to the bees: 'Build dwellings in the mountains and the trees, and also in the

structures which men erect. Then eat from every kind of fruit and travel the paths of your Lord, which have been made easy for you to follow.' From inside them comes a drink of varying colours, containing healing for mankind. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who reflect. (16:68-69)

### **BELIEVERS (MU'MINUN)**

(Believers are) those who are aware that they will meet their Lord and that they will return to Him. (2:46)

Say, 'Anyone who is the enemy of Gabriel should know that it was he who brought it down upon your heart, by Allah's authority, confirming what came before, and as guidance and good news for the believers.' (2:97)

Or did you suppose that you would enter the Garden without facing the same as those who came before you? Poverty and illness afflicted them and they were shaken to the point that the Messenger and those who believed with him said, 'When is Allah's help coming?' Be assured that Allah's help is very near. (2:214)

The Messenger believes in what has been sent down to him from his Lord, and so do the believers. Each one believes in Allah and His angels and His Books and His Messengers. We do not differentiate between any of His Messengers. They say, 'We hear and we obey. Forgive us, our Lord! You are our journey's end.' (2:285)

The believers should not take disbelievers as friends rather than believers. Anyone who does that has nothing to do with Allah at all—unless it is because you are afraid of them. Allah advises you to be afraid of Him. Allah is the final destination. (3:28)

The people with the strongest claim to Ibrahim are those who followed him and this Prophet and those who believe. Allah is the Protector of the believers. (3:68)

Remember when you left your family early in the day to instal the believers in their battle stations. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (3:121)

And remember when two of your clans were on the point of losing heart and Allah was their Protector. Let the believers put their trust in

Allah. (3:122)

Allah showed great kindness to the believers when He sent a Messenger to them from among themselves to recite His Signs to them and purify them and teach them the Book and Wisdom, even though before that they were clearly misguided. (3:164)

What assailed you on the day the two armies met was by Allah's permission, so that He would know the believers. (3:166)

(Those killed in the way of Allah are) rejoicing in blessings and favour from Allah and that Allah does not let the wage of the believers go to waste. (3:171)

That was only Satan who intimidated his adherents. But do not fear them—fear Me if you are believers. (3:175)

Allah will only leave the believers in the position you now are in so that He can sift out the rotten from the good. Allah has not given you access to the Unseen. But Allah chooses those of His Messengers whom He wills. So believe in Allah and His Messengers. If you believe and guard against evil you will have an immense reward. (3:179)

If any of you do not have the means to marry free women who are believers, you may marry slave-girls who are believers. Allah knows best about your faith; you are all the same in that respect. Marry them with their owners' permission and give them their dowries correctly and courteously as married women, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. When they are married, if they commit fornication they should receive half the punishment of free women. This is for those of you who are afraid of committing fornication. But being patient is better for you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:25)

So fight in the way of Allah—you are only answerable for yourself—and spur on the believers. It may well be that Allah will curb the force of those who disbelieve. Allah has greater force and greater power to punish. (4:84)

A believer should never kill another believer unless it is by mistake. Anyone who kills a believer by mistake should free a believing slave and pay blood-money to his family unless they forgo it as

a charity. If he is from a people who are your enemies and is a believer, you should free a believing slave. If he is from a people you have a treaty with, blood money should be paid to his family and you should free a believing slave. Anyone who cannot find the means should fast two consecutive months. This is a concession from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:92)

As for anyone who kills a believer deliberately, his repayment is Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. Allah is angry with him and has cursed him, and has prepared for him a terrible punishment. (4:93)

You who believe! When you go out to fight in the Way of Allah verify things carefully. Do not say, 'You are not a believer', to someone who greets you as a Muslim, simply out of desire for the goods of this world. With Allah there is booty in abundance. That is the way you were before but Allah has been kind to you. So verify things carefully. Allah is aware of what you do. (4:94)

Those believers who stay behind—other than those forced to by necessity—are not the same as those who strive in the Way of Allah, sacrificing their wealth and themselves. Allah has given those who strive with their wealth and themselves a higher rank than those who stay behind. Allah has promised the Best to both, but Allah has preferred those who strive over those who stay behind by an immense reward. (4:95)

When you have finished prayer remember Allah standing, sitting and lying on your sides. When you are safe again perform prayer in the normal way. The prayer is prescribed for the believers at specific times. (4:103)

But if anyone opposes the Messenger after the guidance has become clear to him, and follows other than the path of the believers, We will hand him over to whatever he has turned to, and We will roast him in Hell. What an evil destination! (4:115)

Do those who take the disbelievers as protectors, rather than the believers, hope to find power and strength with them? Power and strength belong entirely to Allah. (4:139)

Those who anticipate the worst for you say, 'Were we not with you?' whenever you gain a

victory from Allah, but if the disbelievers have a success they say, 'Did we not have the upper hand over you and yet in spite of that keep the believers away from you?' Allah will judge between you on the Day of Rising. Allah will not give the disbelievers any way against the believers. (4:141)

You who believe! Do not take the disbelievers as friends rather than the believers. Do you want to give Allah clear proof against you? (4:144)

The hypocrites are in the lowest level of the Fire. You will not find any one to help them, except those who repent and put things right and hold fast to Allah and dedicate their religion to Allah alone; they are with the believers. Allah will give the believers an immense reward. (4:145-146)

But those of them who are firmly rooted in knowledge, and the believers, believe in what has been sent down to you and what was sent down before you: those who perform prayer and give the alms, and believe in Allah and the Last Day—We will pay such people an immense wage. (4:162)

Today all good things have been made lawful for you. And the food of those given the Book is also lawful for you and your food is lawful for them. So are chaste women from among the believers and chaste women of those given the Book before you, once you have given them their dowries in marriage, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. But as for anyone who rejects faith, his actions will come to nothing and in the hereafter he will be among the losers. (5:5)

You who believe! If any of you renounce your religion, Allah will bring forward a people whom He loves and who love Him, humble to the believers, fierce to the disbelievers, who strive in the Way of Allah and do not fear the blame of any censurer. That is the unbounded favour of Allah which He gives to whoever He wills. Allah is Boundless, All-Knowing. (5:54)

Your friend is only Allah and His Messenger and those who believe: those who perform prayer and give the alms, and bow. (5:55)

You will find that the people most hostile to those who believe are the Jews and the idolaters. You will find the people most affectionate to those

who believe are those who say, 'We are Christians.' That is because some of them are priests and monks and because they are not arrogant. (5:82)

It is a Book sent down to you—so let there be no constriction in your breast because of it—so that you can give warning by it and as a reminder to the believers. (7:2)

They will ask you about booty. Say: 'Booty belongs to Allah and the Messenger. So have fear of Allah and put things right between you. Obey Allah and His Messenger if you are believers.' (8:1)

The believers are those whose hearts tremble when Allah is mentioned, whose faith is increased when His Signs are recited to them, and who put their trust in their Lord; those who perform prayer and give of what We have provided for them. (8:2-3)

They are in truth the believers. They have high ranks with their Lord and forgiveness and generous provision. (8:4)

Just as your Lord brought you out from your house with truth, even though a group of the believers disliked it. (8:5)

You did not kill them; it was Allah Who killed them; and you did not throw, when you threw; it was Allah Who threw: so He might test the believers with this excellent trial from Him. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (8:17)

If it was a decisive victory you were seeking, that victory has clearly been won. If you desist, it will be better for you; but if you return, We also will return. Your troops will not help you at all, however many they are. Allah is with the believers. (8:19)

If they intend to deceive you, Allah is enough for you. It is He Who supported you with His help and with the believers. (8:62)

O Prophet! Allah is enough for you, and for the believers who follow you. (8:64)

O Prophet! Spur on the believers to fight. If there are twenty of you who are steadfast, they will overcome two hundred; and if there are a hundred of you, they will overcome a thousand of those who disbelieve, because they are people who do not understand. (8:65)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived in the Way of Allah and those who have given refuge and help, they are the true believers. They will have forgiveness and generous provision. (8:74)

They respect neither kinship nor treaty where a believer is concerned. They are the people who overstep the limits. (9:10)

Or did you suppose that you would be left without Allah knowing those of you who have strived and who have not taken anyone as their intimate friends besides Allah and His Messenger and the believers? Allah is aware of what you do. (9:16) Then Allah sent down His serenity on His Messenger and on the believers, and sent down troops you could not see, and punished those who disbelieved. That is how the disbelievers are repaid. (9:26)

Say: 'Nothing can happen to us except what Allah has ordained for us. He is Our Master. It is in Allah that the believers should put their trust.' (9:51)

Among them are some who insult the Prophet, saying he is only an ear. Say, 'An ear of good for you, believing in Allah and believing in the believers, and a mercy for those among you who believe.' As for those who insult the Messenger of Allah, they will have a painful punishment. (9:61)

They swear to you by Allah in order to please you, but it would be more fitting for them to please Allah and His Messenger if they are believers. (9:62)

The men and women of the believers are friends of one another. They command what is right and forbid what is wrong, and perform prayer and give the alms, and obey Allah and His Messenger. They are the people on whom Allah will have mercy. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:71)

Allah has promised the men and women of the believers Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and fine dwellings in the Gardens of Eden. And Allah's good pleasure is even greater. That is the great victory. (9:72)

As for the people who find fault with those be-

lievers who give charity spontaneously, and with those who can find nothing to give but their own effort, and deride them, Allah derides them. They will have a painful punishment. (9:79)

But the Messenger and those who believe along with him have strived with their wealth and with themselves. They are the people who will have the good things. They are the ones who are successful. (9:88)

Say: 'Act, for Allah will see your actions, and so will His Messenger and the believers. You will be returned to the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible and He will inform you regarding what you did.' (9:105)

As for those who have set up a mosque, causing harm and out of disbelief, to create division between the believers, and in readiness for those who previously made war on Allah and His Messenger, they will swear, 'We only desired the best.' But Allah bears witness that they are truly liars. (9:107)

Allah has bought from the believers their selves and their wealth in return for the Garden. They fight in the Way of Allah and they kill and are killed. It is a promise binding on Him in the Torah, the Gospel and the Qur'an and who is truer to his contract than Allah? Rejoice then in the bargain you have made. That is the great victory. (9:111)

Those who repent, those who worship, those who praise, those who fast, those who bow, those who prostrate, those who command the right, those who forbid the wrong, those who preserve the limits of Allah: give good news to the believers. (9:112)

It is not necessary for the believers to go out all together. If a party from each group of them were to go out so they could increase their knowledge of the religion they would be able to notify their people when they returned to them so that hopefully they would take warning! (9:122)

A Messenger has come to you from among yourselves. Your suffering is distressing to him; he is deeply concerned for you; he is gentle and merciful to the believers. (9:128)

Mankind! Admonition has come to you from your Lord and also healing for what is in the

breasts and guidance and mercy for the believers. (10:57)

We revealed to Musa and his brother: ‘Settle your people in houses in Egypt and make your houses places of worship and perform prayer and give good news to the believers.’ (10:87)

If your Lord had willed, all the people on the earth would have believed. Do you think you can force people to be believers? (10:99)

Then We will rescue Our Messengers and those who believe as well. It is incumbent upon Us to rescue the believers. (10:103)

Say: ‘Mankind! If you are in any doubt about my religion, I do not worship those you worship besides Allah. Rather I worship Allah Who will take you back to Him and I am commanded to be one of the believers.’ (10:104)

(Shu’ayb said,) ‘What endures with Allah is better for you if you are believers. I am not set over you as your keeper.’ (11:86)

We have given you all this news about the Messengers so We can make your heart firm by means of it. The truth has come to you in this and an admonishment and reminder to the believers. (11:120)

Their Messengers said to them, ‘We are nothing but human beings like yourselves. But Allah shows favour to any of His servants He wills. It is not for us to bring you an authority except by Allah’s permission. So let the believers put their trust in Allah.’ (14:11)

(Ibrahim said,) ‘Our Lord! Forgive me and my parents and the believers on the Day the Reckoning takes place.’ (14:41)

Do not direct your eyes longingly to what We have given certain of them to enjoy. Do not feel sad concerning them. And take the believers under your wing. (15:88)

Anyone who acts rightly, male or female, being a believer, We will give them a good life and We will recompense them according to the best of what they did. (16:97)

This Qur’an guides to the most upright Way and gives good news to the believers who do right actions that they will have a large reward. (17:9)

But as for anyone who desires the hereafter, and strives for it with the striving it deserves, being a

believer, the striving of such people will be gratefully acknowledged. (17:19)

We send down in the Qur’an that which is a healing and a mercy to the believers, but it only increases the wrongdoers in loss. (17:82)

It is straight, to warn of violent force direct from Him, and to give the good news to the believers, those who do right actions, that for them there is an excellent reward. (18:2)

(He said to Musa,) ‘As for the boy, his parents were believers and we feared that he would darken their days with excessive insolence and disbelief.’ (18:80)

But anyone who does right actions, being a believer, need fear no wrong or any belittlement. (20:112)

As for anyone who does right actions and is a believer, his striving certainly does not go un-thanked. We are writing it down on his behalf. (21:94)

It is the believers who are successful. (23:1)

A woman and a man who commit fornication: flog both of them with one hundred lashes and do not let compassion for either of them possess you where Allah’s religion is concerned, if you believe in Allah and the Last Day. A number of believers should witness their punishment. (24:2)

A man who has fornicated may only marry a woman who has fornicated or a woman of the idolaters. A woman who has fornicated may only marry a man who has fornicated or a man of the idolaters. Doing such a thing is forbidden for the believers. (24:3)

Why, when you heard it, did you not, as men and women of the believers, instinctively think good thoughts and say, ‘This is obviously a lie?’ (24:12) Those who accuse chaste believing women, unaware (of the evil), are cursed both in this world and the hereafter, and they will have a terrible punishment. (24:23)

Say to the believers that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity. That is purer for them. Allah is aware of what they do. (24:30)

Say to the believing women that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity and not display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings

across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands' fathers, or their sons or their husbands' sons or their brothers or their brothers' sons or their sisters' sons or their women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children who still have no awareness of women's private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

The reply of the believers when they are summoned to Allah and His Messenger so that he can judge between them, is to say, 'We hear and we obey.' They are ones who are successful. (24:51)

The believers are those who believe in Allah and His Messenger and who, when they are with him on a matter of common concern, do not leave until they have asked him for permission. Those people who ask you for permission are the ones who truly believe in Allah and His Messenger. If they ask your permission to attend to their own affairs, give permission to any of them you please; and ask Allah's forgiveness for them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:62) (Nuh said,) 'I am not going to chase away the believers.' (26:114)

Warn your near relatives and take the believers who follow you under your wing. (26:214-215) It is guidance and good news for the believers. (27:2)

Certainly it is guidance and a mercy for the believers. (27:77)

Musa's mother felt a great emptiness in her heart and she almost gave him away; only We fortified her heart so that she would be one of the believers. (28:10)

If a disaster had struck them because of what they had already done, they would have said, 'Our Lord, why did You not send us a Messenger so that we could have followed Your Signs and been believers?' (28:47)

The Romans have been defeated in the land nearby, but after their defeat they will themselves be victorious in a few years' time. The affair is

Allah's from beginning to end. On that day, the believers will rejoice in Allah's help. He grants victory to whoever He wills. He is the Almighty, the Most Merciful. (30:2-5)

The Prophet is closer to the believers than their own selves, and his wives are their mothers. But blood-relations have closer ties to one another in the Book of Allah than other believers and the emigrants, except that you should act in a proper manner towards your close associates. That is inscribed in the Book. (33:6)

When the believers saw the Confederates they said: 'This is what Allah and His Messenger promised us. Allah and His Messenger told us the truth.' It only increased them in faith and in submission. (33:22)

Among the believers there are men who have been true to the contract they made with Allah. Some of them have fulfilled their pact by death and some are still waiting to do so, not having changed in any way at all. (33:23)

Allah sent back those who disbelieved in their rage without their achieving any good at all. Allah made it unnecessary for the believers to fight. Allah is Most Strong, Almighty. (33:25)

Men and women who are Muslims, men and women who are believers, men and women who are obedient, men and women who are truthful, men and women who are steadfast, men and women who are humble, men and women who give charity, men and women who fast, men and women who guard their chastity, men and women who remember Allah much: Allah has prepared forgiveness for them and an immense reward. (33:35)

When Allah and His Messenger have decided something it is not for any man or woman of the believers to have a choice about it. Anyone who disobeys Allah and His Messenger is clearly misguided. (33:36)

When you said to him whom Allah has blessed and you yourself have greatly favoured, 'Keep your wife to yourself and have fear of Allah,' while concealing something in yourself which Allah wished to bring to light, you were fearing people when Allah has more right to your fear. Then when Zayd divorced her We married her to

you so that there should be no restriction for the believers regarding the wives of their adopted sons when they have divorced them. Allah's command is always carried out. (33:37)

It is He Who calls down blessing on you, as do His angels, to bring you out of the darkness into the light. He is Most Merciful to the believers. (33:43)

Give good news to the believers that they will receive immense favour from Allah. (33:47)

You who believe! When you marry believing women and then divorce them before you have touched them, there is no waiting period for you to calculate for them, so give them a gift and let them go with kindness. (33:49)

And those who abuse men and women who are believers, when they have not merited it, bear the weight of slander and clear wrongdoing. (33:58)

O Prophet! Tell your wives and daughters and the women of the believers to draw their outer garments closely round themselves. This makes it more likely that they will be recognised and not be harmed. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:59)

This was so that Allah might punish the men and women of the hypocrites, and the men and women of the idolaters, and turn towards the men and women of the believers. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:73)

He (Ilyas) truly was one of Our servants who are believers. (37:132)

A man among Pharaoh's people who believed, but kept his faith concealed, said, 'Are you going to kill a man for saying "My Lord is Allah" when he has brought you Clear Signs from your Lord? If he is telling a lie, be it on his own head. But if he is telling the truth, then some of what he is promising you will certainly happen to you. Allah does not guide any unbridled inveterate liar.' (40:28)

Whoever does an evil act will only be repaid with its equivalent. But whoever acts rightly, male or female, being a believer, such a person will enter the Garden, provided for in it without any reckoning. (40:40)

In the heavens and earth there are certainly Signs

for the believers. (45:3)

Know then that there is no god except Allah and ask forgiveness for your wrongdoing, and for the men and women who believe. Allah knows both your activity and your repose. (47:19)

It is He Who sent down serenity into the hearts of the believers thereby increasing their faith with more faith—the legions of the heavens and the earth belong to Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise—so that He may admit the men and women of the believers into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and erase their bad actions from them; and in Allah's sight that is a mighty victory. (48:4-5)

Allah was pleased with the believers when they pledged allegiance to you under the tree. He knew what was in their hearts, and sent down serenity to them and has rewarded them with an imminent victory. (48:18)

Allah has promised you much booty which you will take, and has hastened this for you and held people's hands back from you, so that it might be a Sign to the believers, and so that He might guide you to a straight path. (48:20)

They are those who disbelieved and debarred you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and prevented the sacrifice from reaching its proper place, and had it not been for some men and women who are believers, whom you did not know and might trample underfoot, and so unknowingly incur blame on their account—so that Allah might admit into His mercy those He wills—and had those among them who disbelieve been clearly distinguishable, We would have punished them with a painful punishment. (48:25)

Those who disbelieve filled their hearts with fanatical rage—the fanatical rage of the Time of Ignorance—and Allah sent down serenity to His Messenger and to the believers, and bound them to the expression of heedfulness which they had most right to and were most entitled to. Allah has knowledge of all things. (48:26)

If two parties of the believers fight, make peace between them. But if one of them attacks the other unjustly, fight the attackers until they revert to Allah's command. If they revert, make peace

between them with justice, and be even-handed. Allah loves those who are even-handed. (49:9) The believers are brothers, so make peace between your brothers and have fear of Allah so that hopefully you will gain mercy. (49:10)

The believers are only those who have believed in Allah and His Messenger and then have had no doubt and have strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah. They are the ones who are true to their word. (49:15)

We brought out all the believers who were there. (51:35)

And remind them, for truly the believers benefit from being reminded. (51:55)

On the Day you see the men and women of the believers, with their light streaming out in front of them, and to their right: 'Good news for you today of Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the Great Victory.' (57:12)

Conferring in secret is from Satan, to cause grief to those who believe; but it cannot harm them at all, unless by Allah's permission. So let the believers put their trust in Allah. (58:10)

It is He Who expelled those who disbelieved among the People of the Book from their homes to the first gathering-place. You did not think that they would leave and they thought that their fortresses would protect them from Allah. Then Allah came upon them from where they least expected it and cast terror into their hearts. Their houses were pulled down by their own hands and by the hands of the believers. People of insight, take note! (59:2)

He is Allah—there is no god but Him. He is the King, the Most Pure, the Perfect Peace, the Trustworthy, the Safeguarder, the Almighty, the Compeller, the Supremely Great. Glory be to Allah above all they associate with Him. (59:23) You who believe! When women who believe come to you as emigrants, submit them to a test. Allah has best knowledge of their faith. If you know they are believers, do not return them to the disbelievers. They are not lawful for the disbelievers nor are the disbelievers lawful for them. Give the disbelievers whatever dowry they paid. And there is nothing wrong in your marrying

them provided you pay them their due. Do not hold to any marriage ties with women who disbelieve. Ask for what you paid and let them ask for what they paid. That is Allah's judgement. Allah will judge between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (60:10)

O Prophet! When women who believe come to you pledging allegiance to you on the grounds that they will not associate anything with Allah or steal or fornicate or kill their children or give a false ascription of paternity—making up lies about their bodies—or disobey you in respect of anything right, then accept their pledge and ask for-giveness for them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (60:12)

And (He will give you) other things you love: support from Allah and imminent victory. Give good news to the believers! (61:13)

They say, 'If we return to Madina, the mightier will drive out the inferior.' But all might belongs to Allah and to His Messenger and the believers. But the hypocrites do not know this. (63:8)

Allah—there is no god but Him. So let the believers put their trust in Allah. (64:13)

If the two of you would only turn to Allah, for your hearts clearly deviated... But if you support one another against him, Allah is his Protector and so are Gabriel and every right-acting man of the believers and, furthermore, the angels too will come to his support. (66:4)

It may be that if he does divorce you, his Lord will give him in exchange better wives than you: Muslim women, believing women, obedient women, penitent women, women who worship, women who fast much—previously married women as well as virgins. (66:5)

(Nuh said,) 'My Lord! Forgive me and my parents and all who enter my house as believers, and all the men and women of the believers. But do not increase the wrongdoers except in ruin!' (71:28) Cursed be the Companions of the Pit—the fire well stocked with fuel—when they were seated right beside it witnessing what they did to the believers. The only reason they punished them was because they believed in Allah, the Almighty, the All-Praiseworthy—Him to Whom the Kingdom of the heavens and the earth belongs. Allah is

Witness of all things. (85:4-9)

Those who persecute men and women of the believers, and then do not repent, will have the punishment of Hell, will have the punishment of the Burning. (85:10)

### BELLY

Those who conceal what Allah has sent down of the Book and sell it cheap, take nothing into their bellies but the Fire. On the Day of Rising Allah will not speak to them or purify them. They will have a painful punishment. (2:174)

There is instruction for you in cattle. From the contents of their bellies, from between the dung and blood, We give you pure milk to drink, easy for drinkers to swallow. (16:66)

Allah created every animal from water. Some of them go on their bellies, some of them on two legs, and some on four. Allah creates whatever He wills. Allah has power over all things. (24:45) Had it not been that he was a man who glorified Allah, he would have remained inside its belly until the Day they are raised again. (37:143-144)

### BETRAYAL

On the night of the fast it is lawful for you to have sexual relations with your wives. They are clothing for you and you for them. Allah knows that you have been betraying yourselves and He has turned towards you and excused you. Now you may have sexual intercourse with them and seek what Allah has written for you. Eat and drink until you can clearly discern the white thread from the black thread of the dawn, then fulfil the fast until the night appears. But do not have sexual intercourse with them while you are in retreat in the mosques. These are Allah's limits, so do not go near them. In this way does Allah make His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (2:187)

Do not argue on behalf of those who betray themselves. Allah does not love any evildoing traitors. (4:107)

You who believe! Do not betray Allah and His Messenger, and do not knowingly betray your trusts. (8:27)

But if they mean to betray you, they have already

previously betrayed Allah, so He has given you power over them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (8:71)

(Yusuf said), 'In this way he may know at last that I did not dishonour him behind his back and that Allah most surely does not guide the deviousness of the dishonourable.' (12:52)

Allah has made an example for those who disbelieve: the wife of Nuh and the wife of Lut. They were married to two of Our servants who were righteous but they betrayed them and were not helped at all against Allah. They were told, 'Enter the Fire along with all who enter it.' (66:10)

### BEWITCHED

We know how they listen when they listen to you, and when they confer together secretly, and when the wrongdoers say, 'You are only following a man who is bewitched!' (17:47)

We gave Musa nine Clear Signs. Ask the tribe of Israel about when he came to them and Pharaoh said to him, 'Musa, I think you are bewitched.' (17:101)

(They say,) 'Why has treasure not been showered down on him? Why does he not have a garden to give him food?' The wrongdoers say, 'You are merely following a man who is bewitched.' (25:8)

They said, 'You are merely someone bewitched.' (26:153)

### BIRD

When Ibrahim said, 'My Lord, show me how You bring the dead to life.' He asked, 'Do you not then believe?' He replied, 'Indeed I do! But so that my heart may be at peace.' He said, 'Take four birds and train them to yourself. Then put a part of them on each mountain and call to them; they will come rushing to you. Know that Allah is Almighty, All-Wise.' (2:260)

He ('Isa) will teach him the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel, as a Messenger to the tribe of Israel, saying: 'I have brought you a Sign from your Lord. I will create the shape of a bird out of clay for you and then breathe into it and it will be a bird by Allah's permission. I will heal the blind and the leper, and bring the dead

to life, by Allah's permission. I will tell you what you eat and what you store up in your homes. There is a Sign for you in that if you are believers. (3:48-49)

Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to your mother when I reinforced you with the Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth the dead by My permission; and when I held back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but downright magic".' (5:110)

There is no creature crawling on the earth or flying creature, flying on its wings, who are not communities just like yourselves—We have not omitted anything from the Book—then they will be gathered to their Lord. (6:38)

Two servants entered prison along with him (Yusuf). One said, 'I dreamt that I was pressing grapes.' The other said, 'I dreamt I carried bread upon my head and birds were eating it. Tell us the true meaning of these dreams. We see that you're one of the righteous.' (12:36)

(Yusuf said,) 'My fellow-captives, one of you will serve his lord with wine, the other of you will be crucified and birds will eat his head. The thing you asked about is foreordained.' (12:41)

Do they not see the birds suspended in mid-air up in the sky? Nothing holds them there except Allah. There are certainly Signs in that for people who believe. (16:79)

We gave Sulayman understanding of it. We gave each of them judgement and knowledge. We subjected the mountains to Dawud, glorifying, and the birds as well. This is something We are well able to do. (21:79)

Be people of pure natural belief in Allah, not associating anything else with Him. As for anyone who associates others with Allah, it is as though

he had fallen from the sky and the birds had seized him and carried him away or the wind had dropped him in a distant place. (22:31)

Do you not see that everyone in the heavens and earth glorifies Allah, as do the birds with their outspread wings? Each one knows its prayer and glorification. Allah knows what they do. (24:41) Sulayman was Dawud's heir. He said, 'Mankind! We have been taught the speech of birds and we have been given everything. This is indeed clear favour.' (27:16)

Sulayman's troops, made up of jinn and men and birds, were assembled for him, paraded in tight ranks. (27:17)

He (Sulayman) inspected the birds and said, 'How is it that I do not see the hoopoe? Or is it absent without leave?' (27:20)

We gave Dawud great favour from Us: 'O mountains and birds! Echo with him in his praise!' And We made iron malleable for him. (34:10)

And also the birds, flocking together, all of them turned to Him. (38:19)

Have they not looked at the birds above them, with wings outspread and folded back? Nothing holds them up but the All-Merciful. He sees all things. (67:19)

Did He not bring all their schemes to nothing, unleashing upon them flock after flock of birds, bombarding them with stones of hard-baked clay, making them like stripped wheat-stalks eaten bare? (105:2-5)

## BLAME

You who believe! If any of you renounce your religion, Allah will bring forward a people whom He loves and who love Him, humble to the believers, fierce to the disbelievers, who strive in the Way of Allah and do not fear the blame of any censurer. That is the unbounded favour of Allah which He gives to whoever He wills. Allah is Boundless, All-Knowing. (5:54)

She said, 'You see! It's him you blamed me for. I tried seducing him but he refused. If he (Yusuf) does not do what I order him, he will be put in prison and brought low.' (12:32)

He said, 'No blame at all will fall on you. Today you have forgiveness from Allah. He is the Most

Merciful of the merciful.' (12:92)

When the affair is decided Satan will say, 'Allah made you a promise, a promise of truth, and I made you a promise but broke my promise. I had no authority over you, except that I called you and you responded to me. Do not, therefore, blame me but blame yourselves. I cannot come to your aid nor you to mine. I reject the way you associated me with Allah before.' The wrongdoers will have a painful punishment. (14:22)

Do not keep your hand chained to your neck but do not extend it either to its full extent so that you sit there blamed and destitute. (17:29)

That is part of the wisdom your Lord has revealed to you. Do not set up another god together with Allah and so be thrown into Hell, blamed and driven out. (17:39)

(The believers are) those who guard their chastity—except from their wives or those they own as slaves, in which case they are not blame-worthy. (23:5-6)

Then the fish devoured him and he (Yunus) was to blame. (37:142)

So We seized him and his armies and hurled them into the sea, and he (Pharaoh) was to blame. (51:40)

So turn away from them, for you are not to blame. (51:54)

(The believers are) those who guard their private parts except from their wives and any slaves they own, in which case they incur no blame. (70:29-30)

## **BLAST**

The Great Blast seized hold of those who did wrong and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (11:67)

When Our command came, We rescued Shu'ayb and those who believed along with him by a mercy from Us. The Great Blast seized hold of those who did wrong and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (11:94)

So the Great Blast seized hold of them at the break of day. (15:73)

They carved out houses from the mountains, feeling safe, but the Great Blast seized hold of them in the morning. (15:82-83)

The Great Blast seized hold of them inexorably and We turned them into dirty scum. Away with the people of the wrongdoers! (23:41)

We seized each one of them for their wrong actions. Against some We sent a sudden squall of stones; some of them were seized by the Great Blast; some We caused the earth to swallow up; and some We drowned. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (29:40)

It was but one Great Blast and they were extinct. (36:29)

What are they waiting for but one Great Blast to seize them while they are quibbling? (36:49)

It will be but one Great Blast, and they will all be summoned to Our presence. (36:53)

There will be but one Great Blast and then their eyes will open. (37:19)

These people too are only awaiting a single Blast and it will not be repeated. (38:15)

The Day they hear the Blast in truth, that is the Day of Emergence. (50:42)

But they spurned their Lord's command, so the Blast seized them as they looked. (51:44)

Leave them then until they meet their Day when they will be struck down by the Blast. (52:45)

We sent a single Blast against them and they were just like a thatcher's reeds. (54:31)

Thamud were destroyed by the Deafening Blast. (69:5)

So when the Trumpet is blown with a single blast, (69:13)

On the Day the first blast shudders, and the second blast follows it, hearts that Day will be pounding and eyes will be cast down. (79:6-9)

There will be but one Great Blast, and at once they will be on the surface, wide awake! (79:13-14)

When the Deafening Blast comes, (80:33)

## **BLAZE**

People who consume the property of orphans wrongfully consume nothing in their bellies except fire. They will roast in a Searing Blaze. (4:10)

Some of them believe in him, and some bar access to him. Hell will suffice as a Searing Blaze! (4:55)

But those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs, are the Companions of the Blazing Fire. (5:10)  
Whoever Allah guides is truly guided. But as for those He leads astray, you will not find any protectors for them apart from Him. We will gather them on the Day of Rising, flat on their faces, blind, dumb and deaf. Their shelter will be Hell. Whenever the Blaze dies down, We will increase it for them. (17:97)

It is written of him that if anyone takes him as a friend, he will mislead him and guide him to the punishment of the Searing Blaze. (22:4)

But as for those who strive against My Signs and try to thwart them, they will be the Companions of the Blazing Fire. (22:51)

But instead, they deny the Hour; and We have prepared a Searing Blaze for those who deny the Hour. (25:11)

Allah has cursed the disbelievers and prepared a Searing Blaze for them. (33:64)

And We gave Sulayman power over the wind—a month's journey in the morning and a month in the afternoon. And We made a fount of molten brass flow out for him. And some of the jinn worked in front of him by his Lord's permission. And if a single one of them deviates at all from Our command, We let him taste the punishment of the Searing Blaze. (34:12)

Satan is your enemy so treat him as an enemy. He summons his party so they will be among the people of the Searing Blaze. (35:6)

They said, 'Build a pyre for him and fling him into the blaze!' (37:97)

We have adorned the lowest heaven with lamps and made some of them stones for the Satans for whom We have prepared the punishment of the Blaze. (67:5)

They will say, 'If only we had really listened and used our intellect, we would not have been Companions of the Blaze.' (67:10)

Then they will acknowledge their wrong actions. Away with the Companions of the Blaze! (67:11)

Then roast him in the Blazing Fire. (69:31)

But no! It is a Raging Blaze. (70:15)

We have made ready for the disbelievers shackles and chains and a Searing Blaze. (76:4)

When the Fire is set ablaze. (81:12)

But (he) will be roasted in a Searing Blaze. (84:12)

## BLESSING

Guide us on the Straight Path, the Path of those You have blessed, (1:5-6)

Tribe of Israel! Remember the blessing I conferred on you. Honour My contract and I will honour your contract. Have dread of Me alone. (2:40)

Tribe of Israel! Remember the blessing I conferred on you and that I preferred you over all other beings. (2:47)

Tribe of Israel! Remember the blessing I conferred on you, and that I preferred you over all other beings. (2:122)

Wherever you come from, turn your face to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Wherever you are, turn your faces towards it so that people will have no argument against you—except for those among them who do wrong and then you should not fear them but rather fear Me—and so that I can complete My blessing to you so that hopefully you will be guided. (2:150)

Ask the tribe of Israel how many Clear Signs We gave to them. If anyone alters Allah's blessing after it has come to him, Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:211)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, then either retain them with correctness and courtesy or release them with correctness and courtesy. Do not retain them by force, thus overstepping the limits. Anyone who does that has wronged himself. Do not make a mockery of Allah's Signs. Remember Allah's blessing to you and the Book and Wisdom He has sent down to you to admonish you. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:231)

Hold fast to the rope of Allah all together, and do not separate. Remember Allah's blessing to you when you were enemies and He joined your hearts together so that you became brothers by His blessing. You were on the very brink of a pit of the Fire and He rescued you from it. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will be guided. (3:103)

(Those killed in the way of Allah are) rejoicing in blessings and favour from Allah and that Allah does not let the wage of the believers go to waste. (3:171)

So they returned with blessings and bounty from Allah and no evil touched them. They pursued the pleasure of Allah. Allah's favour is indeed immense. (3:174)

Whoever obeys Allah and the Messenger will be with those whom Allah has blessed: the Prophets, the steadfast affirmers of truth, the martyrs and the righteous. What excellent company such people are! (4:69)

Among you there are people who hang back and if you encounter a setback then they say, 'Allah has blessed me in that I was not there with them.' (4:72)

Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and animals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviance. Today those who disbelieve have despaired of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3)

You who believe! When you get up to perform prayer, wash your faces and your hands and your arms to the elbows, and wipe over your heads, and (wash) your feet to the ankles. If you are in a state of major impurity, then purify yourselves. But if you are ill or on a journey, or have come from the lavatory, or have touched women, and cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, and wipe your faces and your hands therewith. Allah does not want to make things difficult for you, but He does want to purify you and to perfect His blessing upon you so that

hopefully you will be thankful. (5:6)

Remember Allah's blessing to you and the covenant He made with you when you said, 'We hear and we obey.' Have fear of Allah. Allah knows what the heart contains. (5:7)

You who believe! Remember Allah's blessing to you when certain people were on the verge of raising their hands against you and He held their hands back from you. Have fear of Allah. The believers should put their trust in Allah. (5:11)

Remember when Musa said to his people, 'My people! Remember Allah's blessing to you when He appointed Prophets among you and appointed kings for you, and gave you what He had not given to anyone else in all the worlds!' (5:20)

Two men among those who were afraid, but whom Allah had blessed, said, 'Enter the gate against them! Once you have entered it, you will be victorious. Put your trust in Allah if you are believers.' (5:23)

Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to your mother when I reinforced you with the Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth the dead by My permission; and when I held back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but down-right magic". (5:110)

(Hud said,) 'Or are you astonished that a reminder should come to you from your Lord by way of a man among you in order to warn you? Remember when He appointed you successors to the people of Nuh, and increased you greatly in stature. Remember Allah's blessings, so that hopefully you will be successful.' (7:69)

(Salih said,) 'Remember when He appointed you successors to 'Ad and settled you in the land. You built palaces on its plains and carved out houses from the mountains. Remember Allah's blessings

and do not go about the earth, corrupting it.' (7:74)

And We bequeathed to the people who had been oppressed the easternmost part of the land We had blessed, and its westernmost part as well. The most excellent Word of your Lord was fulfilled for the tribe of Israel on account of their steadfastness. And We utterly destroyed what Pharaoh and his people made and the buildings they constructed. (7:137)

That is because Allah would never change a blessing He has conferred on a people until they had changed what was in themselves. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (8:53)

But if We let him taste blessings after hardship has afflicted him, he says, 'My troubles have gone away,' and he is overjoyed, boastful. (11:10)

It was said, 'Nuh, descend with peace from Us and with blessings on you and on the nations which will issue from those who are with you. But there are nations to whom we will give enjoyment and then a painful punishment from Us will afflict them.' (11:48)

They said, 'Are you astonished at Allah's command? May Allah's mercy and His blessings be upon you, People of the House! He is Praiseworthy, All-Glorious.' (11:73)

(Ya'qub said,) 'Accordingly your Lord will pick you out and teach you the true meaning of events and perfectly fulfil His blessing on you as well as on the family of Ya'qub as He fulfilled it perfectly before upon your forebears, Ibrahim and Ishaq. Most certainly your Lord is Knowing, Wise.' (12:6)

Remember when Musa said to his people, 'Remember Allah's blessing to you when He rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you, slaughtering your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord.' (14:6)

Do you not see those who have exchanged Allah's blessing for disbelief, and moved their people to the abode of ruin. (14:28)

He has given you everything you have asked Him for. If you tried to number Allah's blessings,

you could never count them. Man is indeed wrongdoing, ungrateful. (14:34)

If you tried to number Allah's blessings, you could never count them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (16:18)

Any blessing you have is from Allah. Then when harm touches you, it is to Him you cry for help. (16:53)

Allah has favoured some of you over others in provision, but those who have been favoured do not give their provision to their slaves so they become the same in respect of it. So why do they renounce the blessings of Allah? (16:71)

Allah has given you wives from among yourselves, and given you children and grandchildren from your wives, and provided good things for you. So why do they believe in falsehood and reject the blessings of Allah? (16:72)

Allah has made shaded places for you in what He has created and He has made shelters for you in the mountains and He has made shirts for you to protect you from the heat and shirts to protect you from each other's violence. In that way He perfects His blessing on you so that hopefully you will become Muslims. (16:81)

They acknowledge Allah's blessing and then deny it. Most of them are disbelievers. (16:83)

Allah makes an example of a city which was safe and at peace, its provision coming to it plentifully from every side. Then it showed ingratitude for Allah's blessings so Allah made it wear the robes of hunger and fear for what it did. (16:112) So eat from what Allah has provided for you, lawful and good, and be thankful for the blessing of Allah if it is Him you worship. (16:114)

He was thankful for His blessings. Allah chose him and guided him to a straight path. (16:121)

Glory be to Him Who took His servant on a journey by night from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) to the Further Mosque (Masjid al-Aqsa), whose surroundings We have blessed, in order to show him some of Our Signs. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Seeing. (17:1)

When We bless man, he turns away and draws aside. When evil touches him, he despairs. (17:83)

Those are some of the Prophets Allah has

blessed, from the descendants of Adam and from those We carried with Nuh, and from the descendants of Ibrahim and Isra'il and from those We guided and chose. When the Signs of the All-Merciful were recited to them they fell on their faces, weeping, in prostration. (19:58)

We delivered both him and Lut to the land which We had blessed for all beings. (21:71)

And to Sulayman We gave the fiercely blowing wind, speeding at his command towards the land which We had blessed. And We had full knowledge of everything. (21:81)

He (Sulayman) smiled, laughing at its words, and said, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing You have bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You, and admit me, by Your mercy, among Your servants who are righteous.' (27:19)

He said, 'My Lord, because of Your blessing to me, I will never be a supporter of evildoers.' (28:17)

Do they not see that We have established a safe haven while people all round them are violently dispossessed? So why do they believe in falsehood and reject the blessing of Allah? (29:67)

Do you not see that Allah has subjected to you everything in the heavens and earth and has showered His blessings upon you, both outwardly and inwardly? Yet there are people who argue about Allah without knowledge or guidance or any illuminating Book. (31:20)

Do you not see that ships sail on the sea by Allah's blessing so that He can show you something of His Signs? There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast and thankful. (31:31)

You who believe! Remember Allah's blessing to you when forces came against you and We sent a wind against them and other forces you could not see. Allah sees what you do. (33:9)

When you said to him whom Allah has blessed and you yourself have greatly favoured, 'Keep your wife to yourself and have fear of Allah,' while concealing something in yourself which Allah wished to bring to light, you were fearing people when Allah has more right to your fear. Then when Zayd divorced her We married her to

you so that there should be no restriction for the believers regarding the wives of their adopted sons when they have divorced them. Allah's command is always carried out. (33:37)

We placed between them and the cities We had blessed other clearly conspicuous cities, making them measured stages on the way: 'Travel between them in safety by night and day.' (34:18)

Mankind! Remember Allah's blessing to you. Is there any creator other than Allah providing for you from heaven and earth? There is no god but Him. So how have you been perverted? (35:3)

So he will look down and see him in the midst of the Blazing Fire and say, 'By Allah, you almost ruined me! If it were not for the blessing of my Lord, I would have been among those arraigned.' (37:55-57)

We showered blessings upon him (Ibrahim) and upon Ishaq. Among their descendants are good-doers and also people who clearly wrong themselves. (37:113)

When harm touches man he calls upon his Lord, repenting to Him. Then when He grants him a blessing from Him, he forgets what he was calling for before and ascribes rivals to Allah, so as to misguide others from His Way. Say: 'Enjoy your disbelief for a little while. You are among the Companions of the Fire.' (39:8)

When harm touches man he calls on Us. Then when We grant him a blessing from Us he says, 'I have only been given this because of my knowledge.' In fact it is a trial but most of them do not know it. (39:49)

He placed firmly embedded mountains on it, towering over it, and blessed it and measured out its nourishment in it, laid out for those who seek it-all in four days. (41:10)

When We grant blessing to a man, he turns away and draws aside but when any evil touches him, he is full of endless prayers! (41:51)

It is He Who created all the species and gave you ships and livestock for you to ride, so that you might sit firmly on their backs and remember your Lord's blessing while you are seated on them, saying, 'Glory be to Him Who has subjected this to us. We could never have done it by ourselves.' (43:12-13)

He is only a servant on whom We bestowed Our blessing and whom We made an example for the tribe of Israel. (43:59)

We have instructed man to be good to his parents. His mother bore him with difficulty and with difficulty gave birth to him; and his bearing and weaning take thirty months. Then when he achieves his full strength and reaches forty, he says, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing You bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You. And make my descendants righteous. I have repented to You and I am truly one of the Muslims.' (46:15) Truly We have granted you a clear victory, so that Allah may forgive you your earlier errors and any later ones and complete His blessing upon you, and guide you on a Straight Path. (48:1-2)

It is a great favour from Allah and a blessing. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (49:8)

Remind them then! For, by the blessing of your Lord, you are neither a soothsayer nor a madman. (52:29)

Which one of your Lord's blessings do you then dispute? (53:55)

It was a blessing direct from Our presence. That is how We recompense those who give thanks. (54:35)

So which of your Lord's blessings do you both then deny? (55: 13, 16, 18, 21, 23, 25, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 45, 47, 49, 51, 53, 55, 57, 59, 61, 63, 65, 67, 69, 71, 73, 75, 77)

By the blessing of your Lord, you are not mad. (68:2)

Had a blessing from his Lord not overtaken him, he would have been thrown up on the naked shore, for he was at fault. (68:49)

And as for the blessing of your Lord, speak out! (93:11)

## **BLISS**

The truly good will be in perfect Bliss. (82:13)

The truly good will be in perfect Bliss. (83:22)

## **BOASTFULNESS**

Worship Allah and do not associate anything with Him. Be good to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to neighbours who are related to you and neighbours who are not related to you, and to companions and travellers and your slaves. Allah does not love anyone vain or boastful. (4:36)

But if We let him taste blessings after hardship has afflicted him, he says, 'My troubles have gone away,' and he is overjoyed, boastful. (11:10)

Do not avert your face from people out of haughtiness and do not strut about arrogantly on the earth. Allah does not love anyone who is vain or boastful. (31:18)

That is so that you will not be grieved about the things that pass you by or exult about the things that come to you. Allah does not love any vain or boastful man. (57:23)

## **BOAT**

It is He Who conveys you on both land and sea so that when some of you are on a boat, running before a fair wind, rejoicing at it, and then a violent squall comes upon them and the waves come at them from every side and they realise there is no way of escape, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His: 'If You rescue us from this, we will truly be among the thankful.' (10:22)

They continued until they boarded a boat and he scuppered it. Then Musa said, 'Did you scupper it so that its owners would be drowned? This is truly a dreadful thing that you have done!' (18:71)

(He said to Musa,) 'As for the boat, it belonged to some poor people who worked on the sea. I wanted to damage it because a king was coming behind them, commandeering every boat.' (18:79)

## **BOILING WATER**

Here are two rival groups who disputed concerning their Lord. Those who disbelieve will have garments of fire cut out for them, and boiling water poured over their heads, which will melt the contents of their bellies as well as their skin. (22:19-20)

This! So let them taste it—boiling water and scalding pus and other such torments. (38:57-58)

Those who deny the Book and that with which We sent Our Messengers will certainly come to know when they have shackles and chains around their necks and are dragged along the ground into the boiling water and then are thrown into the Fire! (40:70-72)

The Tree of az-Zaqqum is the food of the wicked, seething in the belly like molten brass, as boiling water bubbles and seethes. (44:43-45)

(The custodians of Hell will be told,) 'Then pour the punishment of boiling water on his head.' (44:48)

An image of the Garden which is promised to those who guard against evil: in it there are rivers of water which will never spoil and rivers of milk whose taste will never change and rivers of wine, delightful to all who drink it, and rivers of honey of undiluted purity; in it they will have fruit of every kind and forgiveness from their Lord. Is that like those who will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever, with boiling water to drink which lacerates their bowels? (47:15)

Hell lies in wait—a homecoming for the profligate remaining in it for countless aeons, not tasting any coolness there or any drink, except for boiling water and scalding pus—a fitting recompense. (78:21-26)

## BONE

Or the one who passed by a town which had fallen into ruin? He asked, 'How can Allah restore this to life when it has died?' Allah caused him to die a hundred years then brought him back to life. Then He asked, 'How long have you been here?' He replied, 'I have been here a day or part of a day.' He said, 'Not so! You have been here a hundred years. Look at your food and drink—it has not gone bad—and look at your donkey so We can make you a Sign for all mankind. Look at the bones—how We raise them up and clothe them in flesh.' When it had become clear to him, he said, 'Now I know that Allah has power over all things.' (2:259)

We made forbidden for the Jews every animal with an undivided hoof, and in respect of cattle and sheep, We made their fat forbidden for them, except what is attached to their backs or guts or

mixed up with bone. That is how We repaid them for their insolence. And We certainly speak the truth. (6:146)

They say, 'What! When we are bones and crumbled dust, will we then be raised up as a new creation!' (17:49)

That is their repayment for rejecting Our Signs and saying, 'What, when we are bones and crumbled dust, will we then be raised up as a new creation?' (17:98)

And (Zakariyya) said, 'My Lord, my bones have lost their strength and my head is crowned with white, but in calling on You, My Lord, I have never been disappointed.' (19:4)

Then (We) formed the drop into a clot and formed the clot into a lump and formed the lump into bones and clothed the bones in flesh; and then brought him into being as another creature. Blessed be Allah, the Best of Creators! (23:14)

Does he promise you that when you have died and become dust and bones you will be brought forth again? (23:35)

They say, 'When we are dead and turned to dust and bones, shall we then be raised again?' (23:82)

He makes likenesses of Us and forgets his own creation, saying, 'Who will give life to bones when they are decayed?' (36:78)

They say, 'This is just downright magic. When we are dead and turned to dust and bones will we then be raised up again alive?' (37:15-16)

One of them will say, 'I used to have a friend who would say to me, "Are you one of those who say that it is true: that when we have died and are turned to dust and bones, we will face a Reckoning?"' (37:51-53)

And (they were) saying, 'When we are dead and turned to dust and bones, shall we then be raised again?' (56:47)

Does man imagine We will not reassemble his bones? (75:3)

They will say, 'Are we to be restored to how we were? When we have become perished, worm-eaten bones?' (79:10-11)

He was created from a spurting fluid, emerging from between the back-bone and the breastbone. (86:6-7)

## **BOOK OF ACTIONS**

We have fastened the destiny of every man about his neck and on the Day of Rising We will bring out a Book for him which he will find spread open in front of him. (17:13)

And the earth will shine with the Pure Light of its Lord; the Book will be put in place; the Prophets and witnesses will be brought; it will be decided between them with the truth; and they will not be wronged. (39:69)

In fact each one of them wants to be given an unfurled scroll. (74:52)

When the Pages are opened up, (81:10)

No indeed! The book of the dissolute is in Sijjin. And what will convey to you what Sijjin is? A clearly written Book. (83:7-9)

As for him who is given his Book in his right hand, he will be given an easy reckoning and return to his family joyfully. But as for him who is given his Book behind his back, he will cry out for destruction but will be roasted in a Searing Blaze. (84:7-12)

## **BOOKS**

(Those who guard against evil are) those who believe in what has been sent down to you and what was sent down before you, and are certain about the hereafter. (2:4)

Believe in what I have sent down, confirming what is with you. Do not be the first to reject it and do not sell My Signs for a paltry price. Have fear of Me alone. (2:41)

Some of them are illiterate, knowing nothing of the Book but wishful thinking. They only speculate. (2:78)

Woe to those who write the Book with their own hands and then say 'This is from Allah' to sell it for a paltry price. Woe to them for what their hands have written! Woe to them for what they earn! (2:79)

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and 'Isa were given, and what all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:136)

The Messenger believes in what has been sent down to him from his Lord, and so do the believers. Each one believes in Allah and His angels and His Books and His Messengers. We do not differentiate between any of His Messengers. They say, 'We hear and we obey. Forgive us, our Lord! You are our journey's end.' (2:285)

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim, Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and 'Isa and all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (3:84)

You who believe! Believe in Allah and His Messenger and in the Book He sent down to His Messenger, and the Books He sent down before. Anyone who rejects Allah and His angels and His Books and His Messengers and the Last Day has gone very far astray. (4:136)

Those to whom We gave the Book rejoice at what has been sent down to you but some of the parties refuse to acknowledge part of it. Say: 'I have only been ordered to worship Allah and not to associate anything with Him. I summon to Him and to Him I will return.' (13:36)

Only argue with the People of the Book in the kindest way—except in the case of those of them who do wrong—saying, 'We believe in what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to you. Our God and your God are one and we submit to Him.' (29:46)

Accordingly We have sent down the Book to you, and those to whom We gave the Book believe in it, and some of these people believe in it as well. Only the disbelievers deny Our Signs. (29:47)

If they deny you, those before them also denied the truth. Their Messengers came to them with Clear Signs, and psalms and the Illuminating Book. (35:25)

We sent Nuh and Ibrahim and placed Prophethood and the Book among their descendants. Some of them are guided but many of them are deviators. (57:26)

## **BOOTY**

You who believe! When you go out to fight in the

Way of Allah verify things carefully. Do not say, 'You are not a believer', to someone who greets you as a Muslim, simply out of desire for the goods of this world. With Allah there is booty in abundance. That is the way you were before but Allah has been kind to you. So verify things carefully. Allah is aware of what you do. (4:94)

They will ask you about booty. Say: 'Booty belongs to Allah and the Messenger. So have fear of Allah and put things right between you. Obey Allah and His Messenger if you are believers.' (8:1)

Know that when you take any booty a fifth of it belongs to Allah, and to the Messenger, and to close relatives, orphans, the very poor and travellers, if you believe in Allah and in what We sent down to Our servant on the Day of Discrimination, the day the two groups met—Allah has power over all things. (8:41)

So make full use of any booty you have taken which is lawful and good; and have fear of Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (8:69)

O Prophet! We have made lawful for you: your wives to whom you have given dowries and any slavegirls you own from the booty Allah has allotted you and the daughters of your paternal uncles and the daughters of your paternal aunts and the daughters of your maternal uncles and the daughters of your maternal aunts who have migrated with you and any believing woman who gives herself to the Prophet if the Prophet desires to marry her: exclusively for you as opposed to the rest of the believers—We know very well what We have prescribed for them regarding their wives and any slavegirls they possess—in order that there be no restriction on you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:50)

When you go out to get the booty, those who remained behind will say, 'Allow us to follow you,' desiring to alter Allah's words. Say: 'You may not follow us. That is what Allah said before.' They will say, 'It is only because you envy us.' No indeed! How little they have understood! (48:15) And (He rewarded believers) with much booty which they will take. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (48:19)

Allah has promised you much booty which you

will take, and has hastened this for you and held people's hands back from you, so that it might be a Sign to the believers, and so that He might guide you to a straight path. (48:20)

And other booty you do not yet have the power to take—Allah has already encompassed it. Allah has power over all things. (48:21)

Whatever booty from them Allah has given to His Messenger—and you spurred on neither horse nor camel in its acquisition, but Allah gives power to His Messengers over anyone He wills, Allah has power over all things. (59:6)

Whatever booty Allah gives to His Messenger from city dwellers belongs to Allah and to the Messenger and to near relatives and orphans and the very poor and travellers, so that it does not become something which merely revolves between the rich among you. Whatever the Messenger gives you you should accept and whatever he forbids you you should forgo. Have fear of Allah—Allah is severe in retribution. (59:7) (Booty is also) for the poor of the emigrants who were driven from their homes and wealth desiring the favour and the pleasure of Allah and supporting Allah and His Messenger. Such people are the truly sincere. (59:8)

## BOW

Perform prayer and give the alms and bow with those who bow. (2:43)

And when We made the House (Kaaba) a place of return, a sanctuary for mankind: They took the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray) as a place of prayer. We contracted with Ibrahim and Isma'il: 'Purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stay there, and those who bow and who prostrate.' (2:125)

(The angels said,) 'Maryam, obey your Lord and prostrate and bow with those who bow.' (3:43)

Your friend is only Allah and His Messenger and those who believe: those who perform prayer and give the alms, and bow. (5:55)

And We located the position of the House for Ibrahim: 'Do not associate anything with Me and purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stand and bow and prostrate.' (22:26)

You who believe! Bow and prostrate and wor-

ship your Lord, and do good, so that hopefully you will be successful. (22:77)

Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and those who are with him are fierce to the disbelievers, merciful to one another. You see them bowing and prostrating, seeking Allah's good favour and His pleasure. Their mark is on their faces, the traces of prostration. That is their likeness in the Torah. And their likeness in the Gospel is that of a seed which puts up a shoot and makes it strong so that it thickens and grows up straight upon its stalk, filling the sowers with delight--so that by them He may infuriate the disbelievers. Allah has promised those of them who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (48:29)

When they are told to bow, they do not bow. (77:48)

### **BRACELET**

They will have Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them. They will be adorned in them with bracelets made of gold and wear green garments made of the finest silk and rich brocade, reclining there on couches under canopies. What an excellent reward! What a wonderful repose! (18:31)

But Allah will admit those who believe and do right actions into Gardens with rivers flowing under them where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. (22:23)

They will enter Gardens of Eden where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. (35:33)

(Pharaoh said,) 'Why have gold bracelets not been put upon his arms and why is there not a train of angels accompanying him?' (43:53)

They will wear green garments of fine silk and rich brocade. They will be adorned with silver bracelets. And their Lord will give them a pure draught to drink. (76:21)

### **BRAIN**

Rather We hurl the truth against falsehood and it cuts right through its brain and it vanishes clean away! Woe without end for you for what you portray! (21:18)

### **BRASS**

Say: 'It is the truth from your Lord; so let whoever wishes believe and whoever wishes disbelieve.' We have prepared for the wrongdoers a Fire whose billowing walls of smoke will hem them in. If they call for help, they will be helped with water like seething molten brass, frying their faces. What a noxious drink! What an evil repose! (18:29)

(Dhu'l-Qarnayn said,) 'Bring me ingots of iron!' Then, when he had made it level between the two high mountain-sides, he said, 'Blow!' and when he had made it a red hot fire, he said, 'Bring me molten brass to pour over it.' (18:96)

And We gave Sulayman power over the wind--a month's journey in the morning and a month in the afternoon. And We made a fount of molten brass flow out for him. And some of the jinn worked in front of him by his Lord's permission. And if a single one of them deviates at all from Our command, We let him taste the punishment of the Searing Blaze. (34:12)

The Tree of az-Zaqqum is the food of the wicked, seething in the belly like molten brass. (44:43-45)

On the Day the sky is like molten brass. (70:8)

### **BREAD**

Two servants entered prison along with Yusuf. One said, 'I dreamt that I was pressing grapes.' The other said, 'I dreamt I carried bread upon my head and birds were eating it. Tell us the true meaning of these dreams. We see that you're one of the righteous.' (12:36)

### **BREAKING AN OATH**

Be true to Allah's contract when you have agreed to it, and do not break your oaths once they are confirmed and you have made Allah your guarantee. Allah knows what you do. (16:91)

Do not be like a woman who spoils the thread she has spun by unravelling it after it is strong, by making your oaths a means of deceiving one another, merely because one community is bigger than another. Allah is only testing you by this. He will make clear to you on the Day of Rising the things about which you differed. (16:92)

## **BREAST-BONE**

(Man) was created from a spurting fluid, emerging from between the back-bone and the breast-bone. (86:6-7)

## **BRINGING OUT**

Remember when you killed someone and violently accused each other of it, and Allah brought out what you were hiding. (2:72)

Then Satan whispered to them, disclosing to them their private parts that had been concealed from them. He said, 'Your Lord has only forbidden you this tree lest you become angels or among those who live for ever.' (7:20)

The hypocrites are afraid that a sura may be sent down about them, informing them of what is in their hearts. Say: 'Go on mocking! Allah will expose everything you are afraid of.' (9:64)  
(The hoopoe said,) 'I found both her and her people prostrating to the sun instead of Allah. Satan has made their actions seem good to them and debarred them from the Way so they are not guided and do not prostrate to Allah, Who brings out what is hidden in the heavens and the earth, and knows what you conceal and what you divulge.' (27:24-25)

The evil deeds they did will appear before them and the things they mocked at will engulf them. (45:33)

He darkened its night and brought forth its morning light. (79:29)

## **BROCADE**

They will have Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them. They will be adorned in them with bracelets made of gold and wear green garments made of the finest silk and rich brocade, reclining there on couches under canopies. What an excellent reward! What a wonderful repose! (18:31)

(In the Gardens, believers will be) wearing fine silk and rich brocade, face to face with one another. (44:53)

They will be reclining on couches lined with rich brocade, the fruits of the Gardens hanging close to hand. (55:54)

They will wear green garments of fine silk and

rich brocade. They will be adorned with silver bracelets. And their Lord will give them a pure draught to drink. (76:21)

## **BROTHER - BROTHERHOOD**

You who believe! Retaliation is prescribed for you in the case of people killed: free man for free man, slave for slave, female for female. But if someone is absolved by his brother, blood-money should be claimed with correctness and paid with good will. That is an easement and a mercy from your Lord. Anyone who goes beyond the limits after this will receive a painful punishment. (2:178)

... They will ask you about the property of orphans. Say, 'Managing it in their best interests is best.' If you mix your property with theirs, they are your brothers. Allah knows a squanderer from a good manager. If Allah had wanted, He could have been hard on you. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:220)

Hold fast to the rope of Allah all together, and do not separate. Remember Allah's blessing to you when you were enemies and He joined your hearts together so that you became brothers by His blessing. You were on the very brink of a pit of the Fire and He rescued you from it. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will be guided. (3:103)

You who believe! Do not be like those who disbelieve and say of their brothers, when they are going on journeys or military expeditions, 'If they had only been with us, they would not have died or been killed,' so that Allah can make that anguish for them in their hearts. It is Allah Who gives life and causes to die. Allah sees what you do. (3:156)

They are those who said of their brothers, when they themselves had stayed behind, 'If they had only obeyed us, they would not have been killed.' Say, 'Then ward off death from yourselves if you are telling the truth.' (3:168)

Allah instructs you regarding your children: A male receives the same as the share of two females. If there are more than two daughters they receive two-thirds of what you leave. If she is one on her own she receives a half. Each of your par-

ents receives a sixth of what you leave if you have children. If you are childless and your heirs are your parents your mother receives a third. If you have brothers or sisters your mother receives a sixth, after any bequest you make or any debts. With regard to your fathers and your sons, you do not know which of them is going to benefit you more. These are obligatory shares from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:11) You receive half of what your wives leave if they are childless. If they have children you receive a quarter of what they leave after any bequest they make or any debts. They receive a quarter of what you leave if you are childless. If you have children they receive an eighth of what you leave after any bequest you make or any debts. If a man or woman has no direct heirs, but has a brother or sister, each of them receives a sixth. If there are more than that they share in a third after any bequest you make or any debts, making sure that no one's rights are prejudiced. This is an instruction from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Forbearing. (4:12)

Forbidden for you are: your mothers and your daughters and your sisters, your maternal aunts and your paternal aunts, your brothers' daughters and your sisters' daughters, your foster mothers who have suckled you, your foster sisters by suckling, your wives' mothers, your stepdaughters who are under your protection: the daughters of your wives whom you have had sexual relations with (though if you have not had sexual relations with them there is nothing blameworthy for you in it then), the wives of your sons whom you have fathered, and marrying two sisters at the same time—except for what may have already taken place. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:23)

They request from you a ruling. Say: 'Allah gives you a ruling about people who die without direct heirs: If a man dies childless but has a sister she receives half of what he leaves, and he is her heir if she dies childless. If there are two sisters they receive two-thirds of what he leaves. If there are brothers and sisters the males receive the share of two females. Allah makes things clear to you so you will not go astray. Allah has knowledge of all

things.' (4:176)

He (Musa) said, 'My Lord, I have no control over anyone but myself and my brother, so make a clear distinction between us and this deviant people.' (5:25)

So his lower self persuaded him to kill his brother, and he killed him and became one of the lost. (5:30)

Then Allah sent a crow which scratched at the earth to show him how to conceal his brother's corpse. He said, 'Woe is me! Can I not even be like this crow and conceal my brother's corpse?' And he became one of those who suffer bitter remorse. (5:31)

And some of their forebears, descendants and brothers; We chose them and guided them to a straight path. (6:87)

And to 'Ad We sent their brother Hud, who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. So will you not guard against evil?' (7:65)

And to Thamud We sent their brother Salih, who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. A Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord. This is the She-Camel of Allah as a Sign for you. Leave her alone to eat on Allah's earth and do not harm her in any way or a painful punishment will afflict you.' (7:73)

And to Madyan We sent their brother Shu'ayb who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. A Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord. Give full measure and full weight. Do not diminish people's goods. Do not cause corruption in the land after it has been put right. That is better for you if you are believers.' (7:85)

They said, 'Detain him and his brother and send out marshals to the cities.' (7:111)

We set aside thirty nights for Musa and then completed them with ten, so the appointed time of his Lord was forty nights in all. Musa said to his brother Harun, 'Take my place among my people. Keep order and do not follow the way of the corrupters.' (7:142)

When Musa returned to his people in anger and great sorrow, he said, 'What an evil thing you did in my absence after I left! Did you want to hasten

your Lord's command?' He threw down the Tablets and seized hold of his brother's head, dragging him towards him. Harun said, 'Son of my mother, The people oppressed me and almost killed me. Do not give my enemies cause to gloat over me. Do not include me with the wrongdoers among people.' (7:150)

He (Musa) said, 'My Lord, forgive me and my brother and admit us into Your mercy. You are the Most Merciful of the merciful.' (7:151)

But as for their brothers, the visitors lead them further into error. And they do not stop at that! (7:202)

But if they repent and perform prayer and give the alms, they are your brothers in the religion. We make the Signs clear for people who have knowledge. (9:11)

You who believe, do not befriend your fathers and brothers if they prefer disbelief to faith. Those among you who do befriend them are wrongdoers. (9:23)

Say: 'If your fathers or your sons or your brothers or your wives or your tribe, or any wealth you have acquired, or any business you fear may slump, or any house which pleases you, are dearer to you than Allah and His Messenger and striving in His Way, then wait until Allah brings about His command. Allah does not guide people who are deviators.' (9:24)

We revealed to Musa and his brother: 'Settle your people in houses in Egypt and make your houses places of worship and perform prayer and give good news to the believers.' (10:87)

And to 'Ad We sent their brother Hud. He said, 'My people! Worship Allah. You have no god apart from Him. You are merely fabricators.' (11:50)

To Thamud We sent their brother Salih. He said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no god apart from Him. He brought you into being from the earth and made you its inhabitants. So ask His forgiveness and then repent to Him. My Lord is Close and Quick to Respond.' (11:61)

And to Madyan their brother Shu'ayb. He said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no god apart from Him. Do not give short measure and short weight. I see you prospering and I fear for

you the punishment of an all-encompassing Day.' (11:84)

He (Yusuf's father) said, 'My son, don't tell your brothers your dream lest they devise some scheme to injure you, Satan is a clear-cut enemy to man.' (12:5)

In Yusuf and his brothers there are Signs for every one of those who wants to ask. (12:7)

When they (the brothers of Yusuf) declared, 'Why! Yusuf and his brother are dearer to our father than we are although we constitute a powerful group. Our father is clearly making a mistake.' (12:8)

The brothers of Yusuf came into his presence and he knew them but they did not know him. (12:58)

Then, having supplied their needs, he (Yusuf) said to them, 'Bring me your brother, your father's youngest son. Do you not see that I dispense full measure and am the most hospitable of hosts?' (12:59)

Then when they got back to their father's house, they said, 'Father! Our measure has been denied. Please send our brother with us so we may obtain our measure. We will take care of him.' (12:63)

He said, 'How will my trusting him to your care be different from entrusting his brother before? The Best of Guardians, however, is Allah. He is the Most Merciful of the merciful.' (12:64)

Then when they opened up their saddlebags and found their merchandise returned to them, they said, 'Our father! What more could we ask! Here is our merchandise returned to us. We can provide our families with food, and guard our brother and get an extra load. That is an easy measure to obtain.' (12:65)

Then when they entered into Yusuf's presence, he drew his brother close to him and said, 'I am your brother. Do not be distressed concerning all the things they used to do.' (12:69)

Then when he had supplied them with their needs, he put the goblet in his brother's bag. A herald called out, 'Caravan! You are thieves!' (12:70)

He started with their bags before his brother's and then produced it from his brother's bag. In

that way We devised a cunning scheme for Yusuf. He could not have held his brother according to the statutes of the King—only because Allah had willed it so. We raise the rank of anyone We will. Over everyone with knowledge is a Knower. (12:76)

They said, ‘If he steals now, his brother stole before.’ But Yusuf kept it to himself and still did not disclose it to them, saying, ‘The plight that you are in is worse than that. Allah knows best the matter you describe.’ (12:77)

(Yusuf’s father said,) ‘My sons! Seek news of Yusuf and his brother. Do not despair of solace from Allah. No one despairs of solace from Allah except for people who are disbelievers.’ (12:87)

He (Yusuf) said, ‘Are you aware of what you did to Yusuf and his brother in ignorance?’ (12:89)

They said, ‘Are you Yusuf?’ He said, ‘I am indeed Yusuf, and this here is my brother. Allah has acted graciously to us. As for those who fear Allah and are steadfast, Allah does not allow to go to waste the wage of any people who do good.’ (12:90)

He raised his parents up onto the throne. The others fell prostrate in front of him. He said, ‘My father, truly this is now the interpretation of the dream I had. My Lord has made it all come true; and He was kind to me by letting me out of prison and brought you from the desert when Satan had caused dissent between me and my brothers. My Lord is kind to anyone He wills. He is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise.’ (12:100)

We will strip away any rancour in their hearts—brothers, resting on couches face-to-face. (15:47)

Squanderers are brothers to the Satans, and Satan was ungrateful to his Lord. (17:27)

We endowed him with Our mercy, making his brother Harun a Prophet. (19:53)

(Musa said,) ‘Assign me a helper from my family, my brother Harun.’ (20:29-30)

(Allah said to Musa,) ‘Go, you and your brother, with My Signs and do not slacken in remembering Me.’ (20:42)

Then We sent Musa and his brother Harun with Our Signs and clear authority. (23:45)

Say to the believing women that they should

lower their eyes and guard their chastity and not display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands’ fathers, or their sons or their husbands’ sons or their brothers or their brothers’ sons or their sisters’ sons or their women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children who still have no awareness of women’s private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

There is no objection to the blind, no objection to the lame, no objection to the sick nor to yourselves if you eat in your own houses or your fathers’ houses or your mothers’ houses or your brothers’ houses or your sisters’ houses or the houses of your paternal uncles or paternal aunts or the houses of your maternal uncles or maternal aunts or places to which you own the keys or those of your friends. There is nothing wrong in your eating together or eating separately. And when you enter houses greet one another with a greeting from Allah, blessed and good. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (24:61)

We gave Musa the Book and appointed his brother Harun with him as a helper. (25:35)

They said, ‘Detain him and his brother and send out marshals to the cities.’ (26:36)

When their brother Nuh said to them, ‘Will you not guard against evil?’ (26:106)

When their brother Hud said to them, ‘Will you not guard against evil?’ (26:124)

When their brother Salih said to them, ‘Will you not guard against evil?’ (26:142)

When their brother Lut said to them, ‘Will you not guard against evil?’ (26:161)

To Thamud We sent their brother Salih telling them to worship Allah, and straightaway they divided in two, arguing with one another. (27:45)

(Musa said,) ‘and my brother Harun is more eloquent than me so send him with me to support me and back me up. I am afraid they will call me

a liar.' (28:34)

He said, 'We will reinforce you with your brother and by Our Signs will give you both authority, so that they will not be able to lay a hand on you. You and those who follow you will be the victors.' (28:35)

And to Madyan We sent their brother Shu'ayb, he said, 'My people, worship Allah and look to the Last Day and do not act unjustly on earth, corrupting it.' (29:36)

Call them after their fathers. That is closer to justice in Allah's sight. And if you do not know who their fathers were then they are your brothers in the religion and people under your patronage. You are not to blame for any honest mistake you make but only for what your hearts premeditate. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:5)

Allah knows the obstructers among you and those who say to their brothers, 'Come to us,' and who only come to fight a very little. (33:18)

They incur no blame in respect of their fathers or their sons or their brothers or their brothers' or sisters' sons, or their women or any slaves they own. Have fear of Allah. Allah is witness of all things. (33:55)

(One of the two litigants said to Dawud,) 'This brother of mine has ninety-nine ewes and I have only one. He said, "Let me have charge of it," and got the better of me with his words.' (38:23)  
Remember the brother of 'Ad when he warned his people by the sand-dunes—and warners passed away before and after him—'Worship no one but Allah. I fear for you the punishment of a terrible Day.' (46:21)

The believers are brothers, so make peace between your brothers and have fear of Allah so that hopefully you will gain mercy. (49:10)

You who believe! Avoid most suspicion. Indeed some suspicion is a crime. And do not spy and do not backbite one another. Would any of you like to eat his brother's dead flesh? No, you would hate it. And have fear of Allah. Allah is Ever-Returning, Most Merciful. (49:12)

And 'Ad and Pharaoh and the brothers of Lut (also denied the truth). (50:13)

You will not find people who believe in Allah and the Last Day having love for anyone who op-

poses Allah and His Messenger, though they be their fathers, their sons, their brothers or their clan. Allah has inscribed faith upon such people's hearts and will reinforce them with a Spirit from Him and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. Such people are the party of Allah. Truly it is the party of Allah who are successful. (58:22)

Those who have come after them say, 'Our Lord, forgive us and our brothers who preceded us in faith and do not put any rancour in our hearts towards those who believe. Our Lord, You are All-Gentle, Most Merciful.' (59:10)

Did you not see the hypocrites saying to their brothers, those among the People of the Book who disbelieve, 'If you are driven out we will leave with you, we will never obey anyone to your detriment. And if you are fought against we will help you?' Allah bears witness that they are truly liars. (59:11)

... An evildoer will wish he could ransom himself from the punishment of that Day, by means of his sons, or his wife or his brother or his family who sheltered him or everyone else on earth, if that only meant that he could save himself. (70:11-14)

(On) the Day a man will flee from his brother. (80:34)

## BUILDING

And We bequeathed to the people who had been oppressed the easternmost part of the land We had blessed, and its westernmost part as well. The most excellent Word of your Lord was fulfilled for the tribe of Israel on account of their steadfastness. And We utterly destroyed what Pharaoh and his people made and the buildings they constructed. (7:137)

Who is better: someone who founds his building on fear of Allah and His good pleasure, or someone who founds his building on the brink of a crumbling precipice so that it collapses with him into the Fire of Hell? Allah does not love wrong-doers. (9:109)

The buildings they have built will not cease to be

a bone of contention in their hearts, until their hearts are cut to shreds. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:110)

Those before them also plotted, and Allah came at their building from the foundations and the roof caved in on top of them. The punishment came at them from where they did not expect. (16:26)

Accordingly We made them chance upon them unexpectedly so they might know that Allah's promise is true and that there is no doubt about the Hour. When they were arguing among themselves about the matter, they said, 'Wall up their cave, their Lord knows best about them.' But those who got the better of the argument concerning them said, 'We will build a place of worship over them.' (18:21)

They said, 'Build a pyre for him and fling him into the blaze!' (37:97)

And (We subjected) the Satans, every builder and diver (to Sulayman). (38:37)

But those who have fear of their Lord will have high-ceilinged Halls, and more such Halls built one above the other, and rivers flowing under them. That is Allah's promise. Allah does not break His promise. (39:20)

Pharaoh said, 'Haman, build me a tower so that perhaps I may gain means of access,' (40:36)

As for heaven—We built it with great power and gave it its vast expanse. (51:47)

Allah loves those who fight in His Way in ranks like well-built walls. (61:4)

We built seven firm layers above you. (78:12)

Are you stronger in structure or is heaven? He built it. (79:27)

## BURDEN

So on the Day of Rising they will carry the full weight of their own burdens and some of the burdens of those they misguided without knowledge. What an evil load they bear! (16:25)

Whoever is guided is only guided to his own good. Whoever is misguided is only misguided to his detriment. No burden-bearer can bear another's burden. We never punish until We have sent a Messenger. (17:15)

Those who turn away from it will bear a heavy

burden on the Day of Rising. (20:100)

No burden-bearer can bear another's burden. If someone weighed down calls for help to bear his load, none of it will be borne for him, even by his next of kin. You can only warn those who fear their Lord in the Unseen and perform prayer. Whoever is purified, is purified for himself alone. Allah is your final destination. (35:18)

If you are ungrateful, Allah is rich beyond need of any of you and He is not pleased with ingratitude in His servants. But if you are grateful, He is pleased with you for that. No burden-bearer can bear another's burden. Then you will return to your Lord and He will inform you of what you did. He knows what the heart contains. (39:7)

(Has he not been informed) that no burden-bearer can bear another's burden? (53:38)

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## CALAMITIES

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not believe in you until we see Allah with our own eyes.' So the thunder-bolt struck you dead while you were looking. (2:55)

What are they waiting for but for Allah to come to them in the shadows of the clouds, together with the angels, in which case the matter will have been settled? All matters return to Allah. (2:210)

They will be plunged into abasement wherever they are found, unless they have a treaty with Allah and with the people. They have brought down anger from Allah upon themselves, and they have been plunged into destitution. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they disobeyed and went beyond the limits. (3:112)

The People of the Book will ask you to bring down a Book from heaven to them. They asked Musa for even more than that. They said, 'Let us see Allah with our own eyes.' So the lightning-bolt struck them down for their wrongdoing. Then they adopted the Calf after the Clear Signs had come to them, but We pardoned them for that and gave Musa clear authority. (4:153)

Children of Adam! Do not let Satan tempt you into trouble as He expelled your parents from the Garden, stripping them of their covering and disclosing to them their private parts. He and his tribe see you from where you do not see them. We have made the Satans friends of those who have no faith. (7:27)

But they denied him (Nuh) so We rescued him and those with him in the Ark. And We drowned the people who denied Our Signs. They were a blind people. (7:64)

So We rescued him and those with him by mercy from Us, and We cut off the last remnant of those who denied Our Signs and were not believers. (7:72)

So the earthquake seized them and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (7:78)  
We rained down a rain upon them. See the final

fate of the evildoers! (7:84)

So the earthquake seized them and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (7:91)

We have never sent a Prophet to any city without seizing its people with hardship and distress so that hopefully they would be humble. (7:94)  
We seized Pharaoh's people with years of drought and scarcity of fruits so that hopefully they would pay heed. (7:130)

So We sent down on them floods, locusts, lice, frogs and blood, Signs, clear and distinct, but they proved arrogant and were an evildoing people. (7:133)

Then We took revenge on them and drowned them in the sea because they denied Our Signs and paid no attention to them. (7:136)

And We bequeathed to the people who had been oppressed the easternmost part of the land We had blessed, and its westernmost part as well. The most excellent Word of your Lord was fulfilled for the tribe of Israel on account of their steadfastness. And We utterly destroyed what Pharaoh and his people made and the buildings they constructed. (7:137)

Let them (those who were left behind) laugh little and weep much, in repayment for what they have earned. (9:82)

Do they not see that they are tried once or twice in every year? But still they do not turn back. They do not pay heed. (9:126)

But they denied him (Nuh) so We rescued him, and all those with him, in the Ark and We made them the successors and We drowned the people who denied Our Signs. See the final fate of those who were warned! (10:73)

No one believed in Musa except for a few of his people out of fear that Pharaoh, and the elders, would persecute them. Pharaoh was high and mighty in the land. He was one of the profligate. (10:83)

The Great Blast seized hold of those who did wrong and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (11:67)

When Our command came, We turned their cities upside down and rained down on them stones of hard baked clay, piled on top of one another in layers, each one earmarked by your

Lord. And they are never far from the wrongdoers. (11:82-83)

When Our command came, We rescued Shu'ayb and those who believed along with him by a mercy from Us. The Great Blast seized hold of those who did wrong and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (11:94)

Even if there was a Qur'an which moved mountains, or split the earth open or spoke to the dead...! On the contrary! The affair is Allah's altogether. Do those who believe not know that if Allah had wanted to He could have guided all mankind? Those who disbelieve will not cease to be struck by disaster for what they have done—or a disaster will happen close to their homes—until Allah's promise is fulfilled. Allah will not fail to keep His promise. (13:31)

So the Great Blast seized hold of them at the break of day. (15:73)

We turned the place completely upside down and rained down on them stones of hard-baked clay. (15:74)

But the Great Blast seized hold of them in the morning. (15:83)

How many cities We have destroyed which lived in insolent ingratitude! There are their houses, never again inhabited after them, except a little. It was We who were their Heir. Your Lord would never destroy any cities without first sending to the chief of them a Messenger to recite Our Signs to them. We would never destroy any cities unless their inhabitants were wrongdoers. (28:58-59)

They (the inhabitants of the city) said (to Our Messengers), 'We see an evil omen in you. If you do not stop we will stone you and you will suffer a painful punishment at our hands.' ( 36:18)

In fact the Hour is their promised appointment and the Hour is more disastrous and bitter! (54:46)

We have tried them as We tried the owners of the garden when they swore that they would harvest in the morning. (68:17)

So a visitation from your Lord came upon it while they slept. (68:19)

Those before them also denied the truth but these people do not have even a tenth of what We gave

to them. They denied My Messengers. And how complete was My denial! ( 34:45)

And they say, 'When will this promise come about if you are telling the truth?'(36:48)

How many generations We have destroyed before them! And they cried out when it was too late to escape. (38:3)

The assembly will be routed and will turn their backs in flight. In fact the Hour is their promised appointment and the Hour is more disastrous and bitter! (54:45-46)

## CALENDAR

There have been twelve months with Allah in the Book of Allah, from the day He first created the heavens and earth. Four of them are forbidden. That is the True Religion. So do not wrong one another during them. However, fight the idolaters totally just as they fight you totally, and know that Allah is with those who guard against evil. (9:36)

## CALF (ADOPTED AS IDOL)

And when We allotted to Musa forty nights. Then you adopted the Calf when he had gone and you were wrongdoers. (2:51)

And when Musa said to his people, 'My people, You wronged yourselves by adopting the Calf so turn towards your Maker and kill yourselves. That is the best thing for you in your Maker's sight.' And He turned towards you. He is the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful. (2:54)

Musa brought you the Clear Signs; then, after he left, you adopted the Calf and were wrongdoers. (2:92)

Remember when We made a covenant with you and lifted up the Mount above your heads: 'Take hold vigorously of what We have given you and listen.' They said, 'We hear and disobey.' They were made to drink the Calf into their hearts because of their disbelief. Say, 'If you are believers, what an evil thing your faith has made you do.' (2:93)

The People of the Book will ask you to bring down a Book from heaven to them. They asked Musa for even more than that. They said, 'Let us see Allah with our own eyes.' So the lightning-bolt struck them down for their wrongdoing.

Then they adopted the Calf after the Clear Signs had come to them, but We pardoned them for that and gave Musa clear authority. (4:153)

After he left, Musa's people adopted a calf made from their ornaments, a form which made a lowing sound. Did they not see that it could not speak to them or guide them to any way? They adopted it and so they were wrongdoers. (7:148) As for those who adopted the Calf, anger from their Lord will overtake them together with abasement in the life of this world. That is how we repay the purveyors of falsehood. (7:152)

Then he (Samaritan) produced a calf for them, a physical form which made a lowing sound. So they said, 'This is your god—and Musa's god as well, but he forgot.' (20:88)

Could they not see that it did not reply to them and that it possessed no power to either harm or benefit them? (20:89)

Harun had earlier said to them, 'My people! It is just a trial for you. Your Lord is the All-Merciful, so follow me and obey my command!' (20:90)

They said, 'We will not stop devoting ourselves to it until Musa returns to us.' (20:91)

## **CALLING ON (DU'A)**

And when Ibrahim built the foundations of the House with Isma'il: 'Our Lord, accept this from us! You are the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing.' (2:127)

If My servants ask you about Me, I am near. I answer the call of the caller when he calls on Me. They should therefore respond to Me and believe in Me so that hopefully they will be rightly guided. (2:186)

Then and there Zakariyya called on his Lord and said, 'O Lord, grant me by Your favour an upright child. You are the Hearer of Prayer.' (3:38)

Do not chase away those who call on their Lord morning and evening, seeking His Face. Their reckoning is in no way your responsibility and your reckoning is in no way their responsibility. Indeed if you did chase them away, you would be among the wrongdoers. (6:52)

Say: 'Who rescues you from the darkness of the land and sea? You call on Him humbly and secretly: "If you rescue us from this, we will truly be

among the thankful!"' (6:63)

Say: 'Are we to call on something besides Allah which can neither help nor harm us, and to turn on our heels after Allah has guided us, like someone the Satans have lured away in the earth, leaving him confused and stupefied, despite the fact that he has companions calling him to guidance, saying, "Come with us!"?' Say: 'Allah's guidance, that is true guidance. We are commanded to submit as Muslims to the Lord of all the worlds.' (6:71)

Do not curse those they call upon besides Allah, in case that makes them curse Allah in animosity, without knowledge. In this way We make the actions of every nation seem attractive to them. Then they will return to their Lord, and He will inform them about what they did. (6:108)

Say: 'My Lord has commanded justice. Stand and face Him in every mosque and call on Him, making your religion sincerely His. As He originated you, so you will return.' (7:29)

Call on your Lord humbly and secretly. He does not love those who overstep the limits. (7:55)

Do not corrupt the earth after it has been put right. Call on Him fearfully and eagerly. Allah's mercy is close to the good-doers. (7:56)

To Allah belong the Most Beautiful Names, so call on Him by them and abandon those who desecrate His Names. They will be repaid for what they did. (7:180)

It is He Who created you from a single self and made from him his spouse so that he might find repose in her. Then when he covered her she bore a light load and carried it around. Then when it became heavy they called on Allah, their Lord, 'If You grant us a healthy child, we will be among the thankful!' (7:189)

Their call there is: 'Glory be to You, O Allah!' Their greeting there is: 'Peace!' The end of their call is: 'Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds!' (10:10)

When harm touches man, he calls on Us, lying on his side or sitting down or standing up. Then when We remove the harm from him he carries on as if he had never called on Us when the harm first touched him. In that way We make what they have done appear good to the profli-

gate. (10:12)

It is He Who conveys you on both land and sea so that when some of you are on a boat, running before a fair wind, rejoicing at it, and then a violent squall comes upon them and the waves come at them from every side and they realise there is no way of escape, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His: 'If You rescue us from this, we will truly be among the thankful.' (10:22)

The call of truth is made to Him alone. Those they call upon apart from Him do not respond to them at all. It is like someone stretching out his cupped hands towards water to convey it to his mouth: it will never get there. The call of the disbelievers only goes astray. (13:14)

Restrain yourself patiently with those who call on their Lord morning and evening, desiring His face. Do not turn your eyes from them, desiring the attractions of this world. And do not obey someone whose heart We have made neglectful of Our remembrance and who follows his own whims and desires and whose life has transgressed all bounds. (18:28)

And (Zakariyya) said, 'My Lord, my bones have lost their strength and my head is crowned with white, but in calling on You, My Lord, I have never been disappointed.' (19:4)

(Ibrahim said,) 'I will separate myself from you and all you call upon besides Allah and I will call upon my Lord. It may well be that, in calling on my Lord, I will not be disappointed.' (19:48)

We responded to him and gave him Yahya, restoring for him his wife's fertility. They outdid one another in good actions, calling out to Us in yearning and in awe, and humbling themselves to Us. (21:90)

Say: 'What has My Lord to do with you if you do not call on Him? But you have denied the truth, so punishment is bound to come.' (25:77)

So do not call on any other god along with Allah or you will be among those who will be punished. (26:213)

Ibrahim said, 'Do they hear you when you call or do they help you or do you harm?' (26:72-73)

He Who responds to the oppressed when they call on Him and removes their distress, and has

appointed you as inheritors of the earth. Is there another god besides Allah? How little you pay heed! (27:62)

When they embark in ships, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His, but then when He delivers them safely to the land, they associate others with Him. (29:65)

When harm touches people they call on their Lord, repenting to Him. But then, when He gives them a taste of mercy from Him, a group of them immediately associate others with their Lord. (30:33)

When the waves hang over them like canopies, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His. But then when He delivers them safely to the land, some of them are ambivalent. None but a treacherous, thankless man denies Our Signs. (31:32)

Their sides eschew their beds as they call on their Lord in fear and ardent hope. And they give of what We have provided for them. (32:16)

When harm touches man he calls upon his Lord, repenting to Him. Then when He grants him a blessing from Him, he forgets what he was calling for before and ascribes rivals to Allah, so as to misguide others from His Way. Say: 'Enjoy your disbelief for a little while. You are among the Companions of the Fire.' (39:8)

So call upon Allah, making your religion sincerely His, even though the disbelievers detest it. (40:14)

Pharaoh said, 'Let me kill Musa and let him call upon his Lord! I am afraid that he may change your religion and bring about corruption in the land.' (40:26)

Those in the Fire will say to the custodians of Hell, 'Call on your Lord to make the punishment less for us for just one day.' (40:49)

They will ask, 'Did your Messengers not bring you the Clear Signs?' They will answer, 'Yes.' They will say, 'Then you call!' But the calling of the disbelievers only goes astray. (40:50)

Your Lord says, 'Call on Me and I will answer you. Those who who are too proud to worship Me will enter Hell abject.' (40:60)

He is the Living—there is no god but Him—so call on Him, making your religion sincerely His.

Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (40:65)

They said, 'Magician, invoke your Lord for us by the contract He has made with you and we shall certainly follow the guidance.' (43:49)

He (Musa) called out to his Lord, 'These are evildoing people.' (44:22)

(Believers will say,) 'Beforehand we certainly used to call on Him because He is the All-Good, the Most Merciful.' (52:28)

Nuh called upon his Lord: 'I am overwhelmed, so help me!' (54:10)

When the servant of Allah stands calling on Him, they almost swarm all over him. (72:19)

Say: 'I call only upon my Lord and do not associate anyone else with Him.' (72:20)

## **CALLING WITH DEROGATORY NICKNAMES**

You who believe! People should not ridicule others who may be better than themselves; nor should any women ridicule other women who may be better than themselves. And do not find fault with one another or insult each other with derogatory nicknames. How evil it is to have a name for evil conduct after coming to faith! Those people who do not turn from it are wrongdoers. (49:11)

## **CAMEL**

And a pair of camels and a pair of cattle—Say: 'Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Were you then witnesses when Allah gave you this instruction?' Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah thus leading people astray without any knowledge? Allah does not guide the people of the wrongdoers. (6:144)

As for those who deny Our Signs and are arrogant regarding them, the Gates of Heaven will not be opened for them, and they will not enter the Garden until a camel goes through a needle's eye. That is how We repay the evildoers. (7:40) And to Thamud We sent their brother Salih, who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. A Clear Sign has come to

you from your Lord. This is the She-Camel of Allah as a Sign for you. Leave her alone to eat on Allah's earth and do not harm her in any way or a painful punishment will afflict you.' (7:73)

And they hamstrung the She-Camel, spurning their Lord's command, and said, 'Salih! Bring us what you have promised us if you are one of the Messengers.' (7:77)

(Salih said,) 'My people! Here is the she-camel of Allah as a Sign for you. So leave her alone to eat on Allah's earth and do not inflict any harm on her or you will be overcome by an imminent punishment.' (11:64)

They said, 'We're missing the goblet of the king. The man who brings it will get a camel's load. Regarding that I stand as guarantor.' (12:72)

Nothing has prevented Us sending you Signs except the fact that the previous peoples denied them. We gave Thamud the she-camel as a visible Sign, and then they mistreated her. We do not send Signs except to frighten people. (17:59)

Salih said, 'Here is a she-camel. She has a time for drinking and you have a time for drinking—on specified days.' (26:155)

We will send the she-camel as a trial for them. Just keep a watchful eye on them and be steadfast. (54:27)

Then you, you misguided, you deniers will eat from the tree of Zaqqum, filling your stomachs with it and drink scalding water on top of it, slurping like thirst-crazed camels. (56:51-55)

Whatever booty from them Allah has given to His Messenger—and you spurred on neither horse nor camel in its acquisition, but Allah gives power to His Messengers over anyone He wills, Allah has power over all things. (59:6)

Proceed to a shadow which forks into three but gives no shade or protection from the flames, shooting up great sparks the size of castles, like a herd of yellow camels. (77:30-33)

When the camels in foal are neglected, (81:4) Have they not looked at the camel—how it was created? (88:17)

And the Messenger of Allah had said to them, 'This is the she-camel of Allah, so let her drink!' (91:13)

## CAPTIVE

Then you are the people who are killing one another and expelling a group among you from their homes, ganging up against them in wrong-doing and enmity. Yet if they are brought to you as captives, you ransom them, when it was forbidden for you to expel them in the first place! Do you, then, believe in one part of the Book and reject the other? What repayment will there be for any of you who do that except disgrace in this world? And on the Day of Rising, they will be returned to the harshest of punishments. Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:85)

It is not fitting for a Prophet to take captives until he has thoroughly subdued the land. You desire the goods of this world, whereas Allah desires the hereafter. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (8:67) They (the believers) give food, despite their love for it, to the poor and orphans and captives. (76:8)

## CARAVAN

One of them said, 'Do not take Yusuf's life but throw him to the bottom of the well, so that some (caravan of) travellers may discover him, if this is something that you have to do.' (12:10)

Then when he had supplied them with their needs, he put the goblet in his brother's bag. A herald called out, 'Caravan! You are thieves!' (12:70)

And when the caravan went on its way, their father said, 'I can smell Yusuf's scent! You probably think I have become senile.' (12:94)

In acknowledgment of the established tradition of Quraysh, their tradition of the winter and summer caravans. (106:1-2)

## CARPET

Allah has made your houses places of rest for you and made houses for you out of cattle hides which are light for you to carry both when you are travelling and when you are staying in one place. And from their wool and fur and hair you obtain clothing and carpets and household utensils for a time. (16:80)

And the earth—We spread it like a carpet and how well We smoothed it out! (51:48)

Allah has spread the earth out as a carpet for you. (71:19)

Have We not made the earth a flat carpet? (78:6)

## CARRION

He has only forbidden you carrion, blood and pork and what has been consecrated to other than Allah. But anyone who is forced to eat it—without desiring it or going to excess in it—commits no crime. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:173)

Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and animals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviance. Today those who disbelieve have despaired of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3)

Say: 'I do not find, in what has been revealed to me, any food it is forbidden to eat except for carrion, flowing blood, and pork—for that is unclean—or some deviance consecrated to other than Allah. But if anyone is forced to eat it, without desiring to or going to excess in it, your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (6:145)

## CARVING OUT

(Salih said, 'My people,) remember when He appointed you successors to 'Ad and settled you in the land. You built palaces on its plains and carved out houses from the mountains. Remember Allah's blessings and do not go about the earth, corrupting it.' (7:74)

They (The people of al-Hijr) carved out houses from the mountains, feeling safe. (15:82)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'Do you worship something

you have carved when Allah created both you and what you do?' (37:95-96)

### **CASTLE**

Proceed to a shadow which forks into three but gives no shade or protection from the flames, shooting up great sparks the size of castles, like a herd of yellow camels. (77:30-33)

### **CATTLE**

(Satan said,) 'I will lead them astray and fill them with false hopes. I will command them and they will cut off cattle's ears. I will command them and they will change Allah's creation.' Anyone who takes Satan as his protector in place of Allah has clearly lost everything. (4:119)

And a pair of camels and a pair of cattle—Say: 'Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Were you then witnesses when Allah gave you this instruction?' Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah thus leading people astray without any knowledge? Allah does not guide the people of the wrongdoers. (6:144)

We made forbidden for the Jews every animal with an undivided hoof, and in respect of cattle and sheep, We made their fat forbidden for them, except what is attached to their backs or guts or mixed up with bone. That is how We repaid them for their insolence. And We certainly speak the truth. (6:146)

We created many of the jinn and mankind for Hell. They have hearts they do not understand with. They have eyes they do not see with. They have ears they do not hear with. Such people are like cattle. No, they are even further astray! They are the unaware. (7:179)

There is instruction for you in cattle. From the contents of their bellies, from between the dung and blood, We give you pure milk to drink, easy for drinkers to swallow. (16:66)

Allah has made your houses places of rest for you and made houses for you out of cattle hides which are light for you to carry both when you are travelling and when you are staying in one place. And from their wool and fur and hair you

obtain clothing and carpets and household utensils for a time. (16:80)

But We will drive the evildoers to Hell, like cattle to a watering hole. (19:86)

Eat and pasture your cattle. Certainly there are Signs in that for people of sound intellect. (20:54)

Do you suppose that most of them hear or understand? They are just like cattle. Indeed they are even more astray! (25:44)

Allah will admit those who believe to Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Those who disbelieve have their enjoyment, eating as cattle eat, but the Fire will be their final residence. (47:12)

### **CAVE**

If you do not help him, Allah did help him when those who disbelieved drove him out and there were two of them in the Cave. He said to his companion, 'Do not be despondent, Allah is with us.' Then Allah sent down His serenity upon him and reinforced him with troops you could not see. He made the word of those who disbelieved undermost. It is the word of Allah which is uppermost. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:40)

If they could find a bolt-hole, cave or burrow, they would turn and scurry away into it. (9:57)

When the young men took refuge in the cave and said, 'Our Lord, give us mercy directly from You and open the way for us to right guidance in our situation.' (18:10)

So We sealed their ears with sleep in the cave for a number of years. (18:11)

(One of them said,) 'When you have separated yourselves from them and everything they worship except Allah, take refuge in the cave and your Lord will unfold His mercy to you and open the way to the best for you in your situation.' (18:16)

You would have seen the sun, when it rose, inclining away from their cave towards the right, and, when it set, leaving them behind on the left, while they were lying in an open part of it. That was one of Allah's Signs. Whoever Allah guides is truly guided. But if He misguides someone, you will find no protector for them to guide them rightly. (18:17)

They stayed in their Cave for three hundred years and added nine. (18:25)

### **CERTAIN, THE**

And worship your Lord until what is Certain comes to you. (15:99)

(The evildoers will say,) 'We plunged with those who plunged and denied the Day of Judgment until the Certain came to us.' (74:45-47)

### **CERTAINTY**

(The Qur'an contains guidance for) those who believe in what has been sent down to you and what was sent down before you, and are certain about the hereafter. (2:4)

Those who do not know say, 'If only Allah would speak to us, or some sign come to us!' just like those before them who said the same as they say. Their hearts are much the same. We have made the Signs clear for people who have certainty. (2:118) Do they then seek the judgement of the Time of Ignorance? Who could be better at giving judgement than Allah for people with certainty? (5:50) Because of that We showed Ibrahim the dominions of the heavens and the earth so that he might be one of the people of certainty. (6:75)

Allah is He Who raised up the heavens without any support—you can see that—and then established Himself firmly on the Throne. He made the sun and moon subservient, each running for a specified term. He directs the whole affair. He makes the Signs clear so that hopefully you will be certain about the meeting with your Lord. (13:2)

(Believers are) those who perform prayer and give the alms and are certain about the hereafter. (27:3)

When the Word is justly carried out against them, We will produce a Beast from the earth which will speak to them. Truly mankind had no certainty about Our Signs. (27:82)

So be steadfast. Allah's promise is true. Do not let those who have no certainty make you impatient and shake your firmness. (30:60)

(Good-doers are) those who perform prayer and give the alms and are certain of the hereafter. (31:4)

If only you could see the evildoers hanging their heads in shame before their Lord: 'Our Lord, we have seen and we have heard, so send us back again and we will act rightly. Truly we now have certainty.' (32:12)

We appointed leaders from among them, guiding by Our command when they were steadfast and when they had certainty about Our Signs. (32:24) (He is) the Lord of the heavens and the earth and everything in between them, if you are people with certainty. (44:7)

And in your creation and all the creatures He has spread about there are Signs for people with certainty. (45:4)

This is clear insight for mankind and guidance and mercy for people with certainty. (45:20)

But as for those who disbelieved, (they will be told): 'Were My Signs not recited to you and yet you proved arrogant; you were a people of evildoers? When you were told, "Allah's promise is true and so is the Hour, of which there is no doubt," you said, "We have no idea what the Hour is. We have only been conjecturing. We are by no means certain.'" (45:31-32)

There are certainly Signs in the earth for people with certainty. (51:20)

Or did they create the heavens and the earth? No, in truth they have no certainty. (52:36)

This is indeed the Truth of Certainty. (56:95)

We have only appointed angels as masters of the Fire and We have only specified their number as a trial for those who disbelieve; so that those who were given the Book might gain in certainty, and those who believe might increase in their faith, and both those who were given the Book and the believers might have no doubt; and so that those with sickness in their hearts and the disbelievers might say, 'What did Allah intend by this example?' In this way Allah misguides those He wills and guides those He wills. No one knows the legions of your Lord but Him. This is nothing but a reminder to all human beings. (74:31)

No indeed, if you only knew with the Knowledge of Certainty, you will certainly see the Blazing Fire! Then you will certainly see it with the Eye of Certainty. (102:5-7)

## **CHARACTER**

Indeed you are truly vast in character. (68:4)

## **CHARITY (SADAQA)**

Perform the pilgrimage and the pious visit for Allah. If you are forcibly prevented, make whatever sacrifice is feasible. But do not shave your heads until the sacrificial animal has reached the place of sacrifice. If any of you are ill or have a head injury, the expiation is fasting or charity or sacrifice when you are safe and well again. And if you are secure, then he who takes advantage of a pious visit before the pilgrimage should make whatever sacrifice is feasible. For any one who cannot, there is three days' fast on pilgrimage and seven on your return—that is ten in all. That is for anyone whose family does not live near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Have fear of Allah and know that Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:196)

Correct and courteous words accompanied by forgiveness are better than charity followed by insulting words. Allah is Rich Beyond Need, All-Forbearing. (2:263)

You who believe! Do not nullify your charity by demands for gratitude or insulting words, like him who spends his wealth, showing off to people and not believing in Allah and the Last Day. His likeness is that of a smooth rock coated with soil, which, when heavy rain falls on it, is left stripped bare. They have no power over anything they have earned. Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (2:264)

If you make your charity public, that is good. But if you conceal it and give it to the poor, that is better for you, and We will erase some of your bad actions from you. Allah is aware of what you do. (2:271)

Allah obliterates usury but makes charity grow in value! Allah does not love any persistently ungrateful wrongdoer. (2:276)

A believer should never kill another believer unless it is by mistake. Anyone who kills a believer by mistake should free a believing slave and pay blood-money to his family unless they forgo it as a charity. If he is from a people who are your enemies and is a believer, you should free a believ-

ing slave. If he is from a people you have a treaty with, blood money should be paid to his family and you should free a believing slave. Anyone who cannot find the means should fast two consecutive months. This is a concession from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:92)

There is no good in much of their secret talk, except in the case of those who enjoin charity, or what is right, or putting things right between people. If anyone does that, seeking the pleasure of Allah, We will give him an immense reward. (4:114)

We prescribed for them in it: a life for a life, an eye for an eye, a nose for a nose, an ear for an ear, a tooth for a tooth, and retaliation for wounds. But if anyone forgoes that as a charity, it will act as expiation for him. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are wrongdoers. (5:45)

Among them there were some who made an agreement with Allah: 'If He gives us of His bounty we will definitely give charity and be among the righteous.' (9:75)

As for the people who find fault with those believers who give charity spontaneously, and with those who can find nothing to give but their own effort, and deride them, Allah derides them. They will have a painful punishment. (9:79)

Take charity from their wealth to purify and cleanse them and pray for them. Your prayers bring relief to them. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (9:103)

Men and women who are Muslims, men and women who are believers, men and women who are obedient, men and women who are truthful, men and women who are steadfast, men and women who are humble, men and women who give charity, men and women who fast, men and women who guard their chastity, men and women who remember Allah much: Allah has prepared forgiveness for them and an immense reward. (33:35)

The men and women who give charity and make a good loan to Allah will have it increased for them and they will have a generous reward. (57:18)

You who believe! When you consult the

Messenger privately precede your private consultation by giving charity—that is better for you and purer. But if you cannot find the means, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (58:12)

Are you afraid to give gifts of charity before your private consultation? If you do not and Allah turns to you, at least perform prayer and give the alms, and obey Allah and His Messenger. Allah is aware of what you do. (58:13)

Give from what We have provided for you before death comes to one of you and he says, ‘My Lord, if only you would give me a little more time so that I can give charity and be one of the righteous!’ (63:10)

## CHASTITY

If any of you do not have the means to marry free women who are believers, you may marry slave-girls who are believers. Allah knows best about your faith; you are all the same in that respect. Marry them with their owners’ permission and give them their dowries correctly and courteously as married women, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. When they are married, if they commit fornication they should receive half the punishment of free women. This is for those of you who are afraid of committing fornication. But being patient is better for you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:25)

Today all good things have been made lawful for you. And the food of those given the Book is also lawful for you and your food is lawful for them. So are chaste women from among the believers and chaste women of those given the Book before you, once you have given them their dowries in marriage, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. But as for anyone who rejects faith, his actions will come to nothing and in the hereafter he will be among the losers. (5:5) She (Maryam) said, ‘How can I have a boy when no man has touched me and I am not an unchaste woman?’ (19:20)

(Her people said to Maryam,) ‘Sister of Harun, your father was not an evil man nor was your mother an unchaste woman!’ (19:28)

And she (Maryam) who protected her chastity. We breathed into her some of Our Spirit and

made her and her son a Sign for all the worlds. (21:91)

(Believers are) those who guard their chastity. (23:5)

Say to the believers that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity. That is purer for them. Allah is aware of what they do. (24:30)

Say to the believing women that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity and not display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands’ fathers, or their sons or their husbands’ sons or their brothers or their brothers’ sons or their sisters’ sons or other women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children who still have no awareness of women’s private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

Men and women who are Muslims, men and women who are believers, men and women who are obedient, men and women who are truthful, men and women who are steadfast, men and women who are humble, men and women who give charity, men and women who fast, men and women who guard their chastity, men and women who remember Allah much: Allah has prepared forgiveness for them and an immense reward. (33:35)

And Maryam, the daughter of ‘Imran, who guarded her chastity—We breathed Our Spirit into her and she confirmed the Words of her Lord and His Book and was one of the obedient. (66:12)

(Believers are) those who guard their chastity except from their wives and any slaves they own, in which case they incur no blame, (70:29-30)

## CHILDREN

Remember when We rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you—slaughtering your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial for you from your Lord. (2:49)

Those We have given the Book recognise it as they recognise their own sons. Yet a group of them knowingly conceal the truth. (2:146)

Mothers should nurse their children for two full years—those who wish to complete the full term of nursing. It is the duty of the fathers to feed and clothe them with correctness and courtesy—no self is charged with more than it can bear. No mother should be put under pressure in respect of her child nor any father in respect of his child. The same duty is incumbent on the heir. If the couple both wish weaning to take place after mutual agreement and consultation, there is nothing wrong in their doing that. If you wish to find wet-nurses for your children, there is nothing wrong in your doing that provided you hand over to them what you have agreed to give with correctness and courtesy. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah sees what you do. (2:233)

What do you think about the council of the tribe of Israel after Musa's time when they said to one of their Prophets, 'Give us a king and we will fight in the Way of Allah!?' He said, 'Is it not possible that if fighting were prescribed for you, you would not fight?' They said, 'How could we not fight in the way of Allah when we have been driven from our homes and children?' But then when fighting was prescribed for them, they turned their backs—except for a few of them. Allah knows the wrongdoers. (2:246)

Would any of you like to have a garden of dates and grapes, with rivers flowing underneath and containing all kinds of fruits, then to be stricken with old age and have children who are weak, and then for a fierce whirlwind containing fire to come and strike it so that it goes up in flames? In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect. (2:266)

As for those who disbelieve, their wealth and children will not help them against Allah in any way. They are fuel for the Fire. (3:10)

To mankind the love of worldly appetites is painted in glowing colours: women and children, and heaped-up mounds of gold and silver, and horses with fine markings, and livestock and fertile farmland. All that is merely the enjoyment of the life of this world. The best homecoming is

in the presence of Allah. (3:14)

When she gave birth, she said, 'My Lord! I have given birth to a girl'—and Allah knew very well what she had given birth to, male and female are not the same—and I have named her Maryam and placed her and her children in Your safe-keeping from the accursed Satan.' (3:36)

Then and there Zakariyya called on his Lord and said, 'O Lord, grant me by Your favour an upright child. You are the Hearer of Prayer.' (3:38)

She (Maryam) said, 'My Lord! How can I have a son when no man has ever touched me?' He said, 'It will be so.' Allah creates whatever He wills. When He decides on something, He just says to it, 'Be!' and it is. (3:47)

As for those who disbelieve, their wealth and children will not help them against Allah in any way. They are the Companions of the Fire. remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (3:116)

People should show concern in the same way that they would fear for small children if they were to die leaving them behind. They should have fear of Allah and say words that are appropriate. (4:9)

Allah instructs you regarding your children: A male receives the same as the share of two females. If there are more than two daughters they receive two-thirds of what you leave. If she is one on her own she receives a half. Each of your parents receives a sixth of what you leave if you have children. If you are childless and your heirs are your parents your mother receives a third. If you have brothers or sisters your mother receives a sixth, after any bequest you make or any debts. With regard to your fathers and your sons, you do not know which of them is going to benefit you more. These are obligatory shares from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:11)

You receive half of what your wives leave if they are childless. If they have children you receive a quarter of what they leave after any bequest they make or any debts. They receive a quarter of what you leave if you are childless. If you have children they receive an eighth of what you leave after any bequest you make or any debts. If a man or woman has no direct heirs, but has a brother or sister, each of them receives a sixth. If

there are more than that they share in a third after any bequest you make or any debts, making sure that no one's rights are prejudiced. This is an instruction from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Forbearing. (4:12)

What reason could you have for not fighting in the Way of Allah—for those men, women and children who are oppressed and say, 'Our Lord, take us out of this city whose inhabitants are wrongdoers! Give us a protector from You! Give us a helper from You!'? (4:75)

Except for those men, women and children who really are oppressed and do not have any other possibility and are not guided to any way. (4:98) They request from you a ruling concerning women. Say, 'Allah gives you a ruling about them; and also what is recited to you in the Book about orphan girls to whom you do not give the inheritance they are owed, while at the same time desiring to marry them; and also about young children who are denied their rights: that you should act justly with respect to orphans.' Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. (4:127)

People of the Book! Do not go to excess in your religion. Say nothing but the truth about Allah. The Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, was only the Messenger of Allah and His Word, which He cast into Maryam, and a Spirit from Him. So believe in Allah and His Messengers. Do not say, 'Three.' It is better that you stop. Allah is only One God. He is too Glorious to have a son! Everything in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Him. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:171)

They request from you a ruling. Say: 'Allah gives you a ruling about people who die without direct heirs: If a man dies childless but has a sister she receives half of what he leaves, and he is her heir if she dies childless. If there are two sisters they receive two-thirds of what he leaves. If there are brothers and sisters the males receive the share of two females. Allah makes things clear to you so you will not go astray. Allah has knowledge of all things.' (4:176)

The Jews and Christians say, 'We are Allah's children and His loved ones.' Say: 'Why, then, does He punish you for your wrong actions? No, you are merely human beings among those He has

created. He forgives whoever He wills and He punishes whoever He wills. The kingdom of the heavens and the earth and everything between them belongs to Allah. He is our final destination.' (5:18)

Those We have given the Book recognise it as they recognise their own children. As for those who have lost their own selves, they have no faith. (6:20)

He is the Originator of the heavens and the earth. How could He have a son when He has no wife? He created all things and He has knowledge of all things. (6:101)

In the same way their idols have made killing their children appear good to many of the idolaters, in order to destroy them and confuse them in their religion. If Allah had willed, they would not have done it; so abandon them and what they fabricate. (6:137)

Those who kill their children foolishly without any knowledge and make what Allah has provided for them forbidden, inventing lies against Allah, such people are lost. They are misguided. They are not guided. (6:140)

Say: 'Come and I will recite to you what your Lord has made forbidden for you': that you do not associate anything with Him; that you are good to your parents; that you do not kill your children because of poverty—We will provide for you and them; that you do not approach indecency—outward or inward; that you do not kill any person Allah has made inviolate—except with the right to do so. That is what He instructs you to do so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (6:151)

The ruling circle of Pharaoh's people said, 'Are you going to leave Musa and his people to cause corruption in the earth and abandon you and your gods?' He said, 'We will kill their sons and let their women live. We have absolute power over them!' (7:127)

It is He Who created you from a single self and made from him his spouse so that he might find repose in her. Then when he covered her she bore a light load and carried it around. Then when it became heavy they called on Allah, their Lord, 'If You grant us a healthy child, we will be

among the thankful!' (7:189)

Then when He granted them a healthy, upright child, they associated what He had given them with Him. But Allah is far above what they associate with Him! (7:190)

Know that your wealth and children are a trial and that there is an immense reward with Allah. (8:28)

Do not let their wealth and children impress you. Allah merely wants to punish them by them during their life in this world and for them to expire while they are disbelievers. (9:55)

Like those before you who had greater strength than you and more wealth and children. They enjoyed their portion; so enjoy your portion as those before you enjoyed theirs. You have plunged into defamation as they plunged into it. The actions of such people come to nothing in this world or the hereafter. They are the lost. (9:69)

Do not let their wealth and their children impress you. Allah merely wants to punish them by them in this world, and for them to expire while they are disbelievers. (9:85)

They say, 'Allah has a son.' Glory be to Him! He is the Rich Beyond Need. Everything in the heavens and everything on the earth belongs to Him. Have you authority to say this or are you saying about Allah what you do not know? (10:68)

Some travellers came that way and then dispatched their water-drawer who let his bucket down. He said, 'Good news for me, I've found a boy!' They then hid him away among their goods. Allah knew very well what they were doing. (12:19)

He (Ya'qub) said, 'My sons! You must not enter through a single gate. Go in through different gates. But I cannot save you from Allah at all, for judgement comes from no one but Allah. In Him I put my trust, and let all those who put their trust, put it in Him alone.' (12:67)

Gardens of Eden which they will enter, and all of their parents, wives and children who were righteous. Angels will enter in to welcome them from every gate. (13:23)

We sent Messengers before you and gave them wives and children. Nor was any Messenger able

to bring a Sign except by Allah's permission. There is a prescribed limit to every term. (13:38) Remember when Musa said to his people, 'Remember Allah's blessing to you when He rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you, slaughtering your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord.' (14:6)

When Ibrahim said, 'My Lord! Make this land a place of safety and keep me and my sons from worshipping idols.' (14:35)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord! I have settled some of my offspring by Your Sacred House in an uncultivated valley. Our Lord! Let them perform prayer! Make the hearts of mankind incline towards them and provide them with fruits, so that hopefully they will be thankful.' (14:37)

They (the guests of Ibrahim) said, 'Do not be afraid. We bring you the good news of a boy of great knowledge.' (15:53)

They allot daughters to Allah—glory be to Him!—while they have (sons) what they want! (16:57)

Allah has given you wives from among yourselves, and given you children and grandchildren from your wives, and provided good things for you. So why do they believe in falsehood and reject the blessings of Allah? (16:72)

Then once again We gave you the upper hand over them and supplied you with more wealth and children and made you the most numerous group. (17:6)

Do not kill your children out of fear of being poor. We will provide for them and you. Killing them is a terrible mistake. (17:31)

(Allah said to Satan,) 'Stir up any of them you can with your voice and rally against them your cavalry and your infantry and share with them in their children and their wealth and make them promises!' The promise of Satan is nothing but delusion. (17:64)

And say: 'Praise be to Allah Who has had no son and Who has no partner in His Kingdom and Who needs no one to protect Him from abasement.' And proclaim His Greatness repeatedly! (17:111)

And (the Book is) to warn those who say 'Allah has a son.' (18:4)

(His companion said to the garden owner,) 'Why, when you entered your garden, did you not say, "It is as Allah wills, there is no strength but in Allah"? Though you see me with less wealth and children than you possess, it may well be that my Lord will give me something better than your garden and send down on it a fireball from the sky so that morning finds it a shifting heap of dust.' (18:39-40)

Wealth and sons are the embellishment of the life of this world. But, in your Lord's sight, right actions which are lasting bring a better reward and are a better basis for hope. (18:46)

So they went on until they met a youngster whom he killed. Musa said, 'Have you killed a boy who has done no wrong, without it being in retaliation for someone else? This is truly an appalling thing that you have done!' (18:74)

(He whom We had granted mercy from Us and whom We had also given knowledge direct from Us said to Musa,) 'As for the boy, his parents were believers and we feared that he would darken their days with excessive insolence and disbelief.' (18:80)

(He whom We had granted mercy from Us and whom We had also given knowledge direct from Us said to Musa,) 'As for the wall, it belonged to two young orphans in the town and there was a treasure underneath it, belonging to them. Their father was one of the righteous and your Lord wanted them to come of age and then to unearth their treasure as a mercy from Him. I did not do it of my own volition. That is the explanation of the things about which you were not able to restrain yourself.' (18:82)

(His Lord said,) 'Zakariyya! We give you the good news of a boy named Yahya, a name we have given to no one else before.' (19:7)

'Yahya, take hold of the Book with vigour.' We gave him judgement while still a child. (19:12)

He said (to Maryam), 'I am only your Lord's messenger so that He can give you a pure boy.' (19:19)

She (Maryam) said, 'How can I have a boy when no man has touched me and I am not an un-

chaste woman?' (19:20)

She pointed towards him. They said, 'How can a baby in the cradle speak?' (19:29)

It is not fitting for Allah to have a son. Glory be to Him! When He decides on something, He just says to it, 'Be!' and it is. (19:35)

Have you seen him who rejects Our Signs and says, 'I will certainly be given wealth and children there.'? (19:77)

They say, 'The All-Merciful has a son.' (19:88)

The heavens are all but rent apart and the earth split open and the mountains brought crashing down, at their ascription of a son to the All-Merciful! (19:90-91)

It is not fitting for the All-Merciful to have a son. (19:92)

They say, 'The All-Merciful has a son.' Glory be to Him! No, they (the angels) are honoured servants! (21:26)

And she (Maryam) who protected her chastity. We breathed into her some of Our Spirit and made her and her son a Sign for all the worlds. (21:91)

Mankind! If you are in any doubt about the Rising, know that We created you from dust then from a drop of sperm then from a clot of blood then from a lump of flesh, formed yet unformed, so We may make things clear to you. We make whatever We want stay in the womb until a specified time and then We bring you out as children so that you can reach your full maturity. Some of you die and some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that, after having knowledge, they then know nothing at all. And you see the earth dead and barren; then when We send down water onto it it quivers and swells and sprouts with luxuriant plants of every kind. (22:5)

Do they imagine that, in the wealth and children We are hastening to them with good things? No indeed, but they have no awareness! (23:55-56)

Allah has no son and there is no other god accompanying Him, for then each god would have gone off with what he created and one of them would have been exalted above the other. Glory be to Allah above what they describe. (23:91)

Say to the believing women that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity and not

display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands' fathers, or their sons or their husbands' sons or their brothers or their brothers' sons or their sisters' sons or their women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children who still have no awareness of women's private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

Once your children have reached puberty, they should ask your permission to enter as those before them also asked permission. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (24:59)

As for women who are past child-bearing age and no longer have any hope of getting married, there is nothing wrong in their removing their outer clothes, provided they do not flaunt their adornments; but to refrain from doing so is better for them. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (24:60)

He to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and the earth belongs. He does not have a son and He has no partner in the Kingdom. He created everything and determined it most exactly. (25:2) (Believers are) those who say, 'Our Lord, give us joy in our wives and children and make us a good example for those who guard against evil'. (25:74)

He (Pharaoh) said, 'Did we not bring you up among us as a child and did you not spend many years of your life among us?' (26:18)

The Day when neither wealth nor sons will be of any use. (26:88)

Have fear of Him Who has supplied you with what you know, supplied you with livestock and children. (26:132-133)

Pharaoh exalted himself arrogantly in the land and divided its people into camps, oppressing one group of them by slaughtering their sons and letting their women live. He was one of the corrupters. (28:4)

Mankind! Have fear of your Lord and fear a day when no father will be able to atone for his son, or son for his father, in any way. Allah's promise is true. So do not let the life of this world delude you and do not let the Deluder delude you concerning Allah. (31:33)

Allah has not allotted to any man two hearts within his breast, nor has He made those of your wives you equate with your mothers your actual mothers, nor has He made your adopted sons your actual sons. These are just words coming out of your mouths. But Allah speaks the truth and He guides to the Way. (33:4)

They also said, 'We have more wealth and children. We are not going to be punished.' (34:35) It is not your wealth or your children that will bring you near to Us—only in the case of people who believe and act rightly; such people will have a double recompense for what they did. They will be safe from all harm in the High Halls of Paradise. (34:37)

(Ibrahim said,) 'My Lord, bestow on me a right-acting child!' And We gave him the good news of a forbearing boy. (37:100-101)

So inquire of them: does your Lord have daughters while they themselves have sons? (37:149)

Has He chosen daughters over sons? (37:153)

If Allah had desired to have a son He would have chosen whatever He wished from what He has created. Glory be to Him! He is Allah, the One, the All-Conquering. (39:4)

Our Lord, admit them to the Gardens of Eden You have promised them, and all of their parents, wives and children who acted rightly. Truly You are the Almighty, the All-Wise. (40:8)

When he brought them the truth from Us they said, 'Slaughter the sons of those who believe with him but let their women live.' The stratagems of the disbelievers are nothing but errors. (40:25)

Say: 'If the All-Merciful had a son, I would be the first to worship him.' (43:81)

He (Ibrahim) felt afraid of them but they said, 'Do not be afraid!' and gave him the good news of a son imbued with knowledge. (51:28)

Know that the life of this world is merely a game and a diversion and ostentation and a cause of

boasting among yourselves and trying to outdo one another in wealth and children: like the plant-growth after rain which delights the cultivators, but then it withers and you see it turning yellow, and then it becomes broken stubble. In the hereafter there is terrible punishment but also forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure. The life of this world is nothing but the enjoyment of delusion. (57:20)

Neither their wealth nor their children will help them at all against Allah. Such people are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (58:17)

You will not find people who believe in Allah and the Last Day having love for anyone who opposes Allah and His Messenger, though they be their fathers, their sons, their brothers or their clan. Allah has inscribed faith upon such people's hearts and will reinforce them with a Spirit from Him and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. Such people are the party of Allah. Truly it is the party of Allah who are successful. (58:22)

Neither your blood relations nor your children will be of any use to you. On the Day of Rising He will differentiate between you. Allah sees what you do. (60:3)

O Prophet! When women who believe come to you pledging allegiance to you on the grounds that they will not associate anything with Allah or steal or fornicate or kill their children or give a false ascription of paternity—making up lies about their bodies—or disobey you in respect of anything right, then accept their pledge and ask for-giveness for them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (60:12)

You who believe! Do not let your wealth or children divert you from the remembrance of Allah. Whoever does that is lost. (63:9)

You who believe! Some of your wives and children are an enemy to you, so be wary of them. But if you pardon and exonerate and forgive, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (64:14)

Your wealth and children are a trial. But with Allah there is an immense reward. (64:15)

But do not obey any vile swearer of oaths, any backbiter, slanderer, impeder of good, evil aggressor, gross, coarse and furthermore, despicable, simply because he possesses wealth and sons. (68:10-14)

He will send heaven down on you in abundant rain and reinforce you with more wealth and sons, and grant you gardens and grant you waterways. (71:11-12)

Nuh said, 'My Lord, they have disobeyed me and followed those whose wealth and children have only increased them in loss.' (71:21)

He-exalted be the Majesty of our Lord!—has neither wife nor son. (72:3)

How will you safeguard yourselves, if you disbelieve, against a Day which will turn children grey? (73:17)

Leave the person I created on his own to Me alone, him to whom I have given great wealth and sons who stay with him. (74:11-13)

When the Deafening Blast comes, the Day a man will flee from his brother and his mother and his father, and his wife and his children. (80:33-36)

## CHILDREN OF ADEM

Children of Adam! We have sent down clothing to you to conceal your private parts, and fine apparel, but the garment of heedfulness—that is best! That is one of Allah's Signs, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (7:26)

Children of Adam! Do not let Satan tempt you into trouble as He expelled your parents from the Garden, stripping them of their covering and disclosing to them their private parts. He and his tribe see you from where you do not see them. We have made the Satans friends of those who have no faith. (7:27)

Children of Adam! Wear fine clothing in every mosque and eat and drink but do not be profligate. He does not love the profligate. (7:31)

Children of Adam! If Messengers come to you from among yourselves, recounting My Signs to you, those who guard against evil and put things right, will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (7:35)

When your Lord took out all their descendants from the loins of the children of Adam and made

them testify against themselves ‘Am I not your Lord?’ they said, ‘We testify that indeed You are! Lest you say on the Day of Rising, ‘We knew nothing of this.’ (7:172)

We have honoured the sons of Adam and conveyed them on land and sea and provided them with good things and favoured them greatly over many We have created. (17:70)

## **CHILDREN OF ISRAEL (SEE TRIBE OF ISRAEL)**

### **CHRISTIANS**

Those with faith, those who are Jews, and the Christians and Sabaean, all who believe in Allah and the Last Day and act rightly, will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:62)

They say, ‘No one will enter the Garden except for Jews and Christians.’ Such is their vain hope. Say, ‘Produce your evidence if you are telling the truth.’ (2:111)

The Jews say, ‘The Christians have nothing to stand on,’ and the Christians say, ‘The Jews have nothing to stand on,’ yet they both recite the Book. Those who do not know say the same as they say. Allah will judge between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things about which they differ. (2:113)

They say, ‘Allah has a son.’ Glory be to Him! No, everything in the heavens and earth belongs to Him. Everything is obedient to Him. (2:116)

The Jews and the Christians will never be pleased with you until you follow their religion. Say, ‘Allah’s guidance is the true guidance.’ If you were to follow their whims and desires, after the knowledge that has come to you, you would find no protector or helper against Allah. (2:120)

They say, ‘Be Jews or Christians and you will be guided.’ Say, ‘Rather adopt the religion of Ibrahim, a man of natural pure belief. He was not one of the idolaters.’ (2:135)

Or do they say that Ibrahim and Isma’il and Ishaq and Ya’qub and the Tribes were Jews or Christians? Say, ‘Do you know better or does Allah?’ Who could do greater wrong than someone who hides the evidence he has been given

by Allah? Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:140)

When Allah said, “Isa, I will take you back and raise you up to Me and purify you of those who disbelieve. And I will place the people who follow you above those who disbelieve until the Day of Rising. Then you will all return to Me, and I will judge between you regarding the things about which you differed.” (3:55)

Ibrahim was neither a Jew nor a Christian, but a man of pure natural belief—a Muslim. He was not one of the idolaters. (3:67)

We also made a covenant with those who say, ‘We are Christians,’ and they too forgot a good portion of what they were reminded of. So We stirred up enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising when Allah will inform them about what they did. (5:14)

Those who say, ‘Allah is the Messiah, son of Maryam,’ are disbelievers. Say: ‘Who possesses any power at all over Allah if He desires to destroy the Messiah, son of Maryam, and his mother, and everyone else on earth?’ The kingdom of the heavens and the earth and everything between them belongs to Allah. He creates whatever He wills. Allah has power over all things. (5:17)

The Jews and Christians say, ‘We are Allah’s children and His loved ones.’ Say: ‘Why, then, does He punish you for your wrong actions? No, you are merely human beings among those He has created. He forgives whoever He wills and He punishes whoever He wills. The kingdom of the heavens and the earth and everything between them belongs to Allah. He is our final destination.’ (5:18)

The people of the Gospel should judge by what Allah sent down in it. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are deviators. (5:47)

You who believe! Do not take the Jews and Christians as your friends; they are the friends of one another. Any of you who takes them as friends is one of them. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (5:51)

Those who believe and those who are Jews and the Sabaean and the Christians, all who believe

in Allah and the Last Day and act rightly will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (5:69)

Those who say that the Messiah, son of Maryam, is Allah are disbelievers. The Messiah said, 'Tribe of Israel! Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord. If anyone associates anything with Allah, Allah has forbidden him the Garden and his refuge will be the Fire.' The wrongdoers will have no helpers. (5:72)

You will find that the people most hostile to those who believe are the Jews and the idolaters. You will find the people most affectionate to those who believe are those who say, 'We are Christians.' That is because some of them are priests and monks and because they are not arrogant. (5:82)

The Jews say, 'Uzayr is the son of Allah,' and the Christians say, 'The Messiah is the son of Allah.' That is what they say with their mouths, copying the words of those who disbelieved before. May Allah destroy them! How perverted they are! (9:30)

They have taken their rabbis and monks as lords besides Allah, and also the Messiah, son of Maryam. Yet they were commanded to worship only one God. There is no god but Him! Glory be to Him above anything they associate with Him! (9:31)

As for those who believe and those who are Jews and the Sabaeans and the Christians, Magians and idolaters, Allah will distinguish between them on the Day of Rising. Allah is witness of all things. (22:17)

Then We sent Our Messengers following in their footsteps and sent 'Isa son of Maryam after them, giving him the Gospel. We put compassion and mercy in the hearts of those who followed him. They invented monasticism—We did not prescribe it for them—purely out of desire to gain the pleasure of Allah, but even so they did not observe it as it should have been observed. To those of them who believed We gave their reward but many of them are deviators. (57:27)

## CHURCH

... if Allah had not driven some people back by means of others, monasteries, churches, syna-

gogues and mosques, where Allah's name is mentioned much, would have been pulled down and destroyed. Allah will certainly help those who help Him—Allah is All-Strong, Almighty. (22:40)

## (TO) CIRCLE

And when We made the House (Kaaba) a place of return, a sanctuary for mankind: They took the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray) as a place of prayer. We contracted with Ibrahim and Isma'il: 'Purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stay there, and those who bow and who prostrate.' (2:125)

And We located the position of the House for Ibrahim: 'Do not associate anything with Me and purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stand and bow and prostrate.' (22:26) (We said to Ibrahim,) 'Then they should end their state of self-neglect and fulfil their vows and circle the Ancient House.' (22:29)

## CISTERN

They made for him anything he (Sulayman) wished: high arches and statues, huge dishes like cisterns, great built-in cooking vats. 'Work, family of Dawud, in thankfulness!' But very few of My servants are thankful. (34:13)

## CITY

What reason could you have for not fighting in the Way of Allah—for those men, women and children who are oppressed and say, 'Our Lord, take us out of this city whose inhabitants are wrongdoers! Give us a protector from You! Give us a helper from You!?' (4:75)

This is a Book We have sent down and blessed, confirming what came before it, so that you can warn the Mother of Cities (Makka) and the people around it. Those who believe in the hereafter believe in it and safeguard their prayer. (6:92)

And likewise in every city We set up its greatest wrongdoers to plot in it. They plot against themselves alone, but they are not aware of it. (6:123) That was because their Lord would never have destroyed the cities unjustly while their people were unaware. (6:131)

How many cities We have destroyed! Our violent force came down on them during the night, or while they were asleep during the day. (7:4)

The ruling circle of those of his people who were arrogant said, 'We will drive you out of our city, Shu'ayb, you and those who believe along with you, unless you return to our religion.' He said, 'What, even though we detest it?' (7:88)

If only the people of the cities had believed and guarded against evil, We would have opened up to them blessings from heaven and earth. But they denied the truth so We seized them for what they earned. (7:96)

Do the people of the cities feel secure against Our violent force coming down on them in the night while they are asleep? (7:97)

Or do the people of the cities feel secure against Our violent force coming down on them in the day while they are playing games? (7:98)

These cities—We have given you news of them. Their Messengers came to them with Clear Signs, but they were never going to believe in what they had previously rejected. That is how Allah seals up the hearts of the disbelievers. (7:101)

They said, 'Detain him and his brother and send out marshals to the cities,' (7:111)

Pharaoh said, 'Have you believed in him before I authorised you to do so? This is just some plot you have concocted in the city to drive its people from it.' (7:123)

Has the news of those who came before them not reached them, the people of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud, and the people of Ibrahim and the inhabitants of Madyan and the overturned cities? Their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (9:70)

How is it that there has never been a city that believed, whose faith then brought it benefit, except the people of Yunus? When they believed We removed from them the punishment of disgrace in the life of this world and We let them have enjoyment for a time. (10:98)

That is some of the news of the cities which We relate to you. Some of them are still standing, while others are now just stubble. (11:100)

Such is the iron grip of your Lord when He seizes

the cities which do wrong. His grip is painful, violent. (11:102)

Your Lord would never have destroyed the cities wrongfully as long as their inhabitants were putting things right. (11:117)

Some city women said, 'The governor's wife solicited her slave. He's fired her heart with love. We see that she's the one to blame.' (12:30)

We sent none before you but men inspired with revelation from among the people of the cities. Have they not travelled in the land and seen the final fate of those before them? The abode of the hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. So will you not use your intellect? (12:109) We did not destroy any city without it having a set time. (15:4)

The people of the city came, exulting at the news. (15:67)

When We desire to destroy a city, We send a command to the affluent in it and they become deviant in it and the Word is justly carried out against it and We annihilate it completely. (17:16)

There is no city We will not destroy before the Day of Rising, or punish with a terrible punishment. That is inscribed in the Book. (17:58)

Those cities: We destroyed them when they did wrong and fixed a promised time for their destruction. (18:59)

None of the cities which We destroyed before them believed. So will they? (21:6)

How many cities which did wrong have We utterly destroyed, raising up other people after them! (21:11)

We gave right judgement and knowledge to Lut and rescued him from the city which committed disgusting acts. They were evil people who were deviators. (21:74)

There is a ban on any city We have destroyed; they will not return. (21:95)

How many wrongdoing cities We destroyed, and now all their roofs and walls are fallen in; how many abandoned wells and stuccoed palaces! (22:45)

How many wrongdoing cities I allowed time to and then I seized them. I am their final destination! (22:48)

They themselves have come across the city which was rained on by an evil rain. Did they not then see it? But they do not expect to rise again. (25:40)

They said, 'Detain him and his brother and send out marshals to the cities.' (26:36)

Pharaoh sent marshals into the cities. (26:53)

We have never destroyed a city without giving it prior warning. (26:208)

She (the Queen of Sheba) said, 'When kings enter a city, they lay waste to it and make its mightiest inhabitants the most abased. That is what they too will do.' (27:34)

There was a group of nine men in the city causing corruption in the land and not putting things right. (27:48)

Morning found him in the city, fearful and on his guard. Then suddenly the man who had sought his help the day before, shouted for help from him again. Musa said to him, 'You are clearly a misguided man.' (28:18)

Your Lord would never destroy any cities without first sending to the chief of them a Messenger to recite Our Signs to them. We would never destroy any cities unless their inhabitants were wrongdoers. (28:59)

When Our messengers came with the good news to Ibrahim, they said, 'We are going to destroy the people of this city. Truly its inhabitants are wrongdoers.' (29:31)

(Messengers said,) 'We will bring down on the inhabitants of this city a devastating punishment from heaven because of their deviance.' (29:34)

We placed between them and the cities We had blessed other clearly conspicuous cities, making them measured stages on the way: 'Travel between them in safety by night and day.' (34:18)

We never sent a warner into any city without the affluent people in it saying, 'We reject what you have been sent with.' (34:34)

Make an example for them of the inhabitants of the city when the Messengers came to it. (36:13)

Accordingly We have revealed to you an Arabic Qur'an so that you may warn the Mother of Cities (Makka) and those around it, and give warning of the Day of Gathering about which there is no doubt: one group in the Garden, the

other in the Blazing Fire. (42:7)

They say, 'Why was this Qur'an not sent down to one of the great men of the two cities?' (43:31)

We destroyed the cities round about you and have variegated the Signs so that hopefully they will turn back. (46:27)

And the Overturned City which He turned upside down, (53:53)

Whatever booty Allah gives to His Messenger from city dwellers belongs to Allah and to the Messenger and to near relatives and orphans and the very poor and travellers, so that it does not become something which merely revolves between the rich among you. Whatever the Messenger gives you you should accept and whatever he forbids you you should forgo. Have fear of Allah—Allah is severe in retribution. (59:7) How many cities spurned their Lord's command and His Messengers! And so We called them harshly to account and punished them with a terrible punishment. (65:8)

Pharaoh and those before him and the Overturned Cities made a great mistake. (69:9)

I swear by this city—and you are resident in this city—(90:1-2)

Allah makes an example of a city which was safe and at peace, its provision coming to it plentifully from every side. Then it showed ingratitude for Allah's blessings so Allah made it wear the robes of hunger and fear for what it did. (16:112) That was the situation when we woke them up so they could question one another. One of them asked, 'How long have you been here?' They replied, 'We have been here for a day or part of a day.' They said, 'Your Lord knows best how long you have been here. Send one of your number into the city with this silver you have, so he can see which food is purest and bring you some of it to eat. But he should go about with caution so that no one is aware of you,' (18:19)

The only response of his people was to say: 'Drive the family of Lut out of your city! They are people who keep themselves pure!' (27:56)

He (Musa) entered the city at a time when its inhabitants were unaware and found two men fighting there—one from his party and the other from his enemy. The one from his party asked for

his support against the other from his enemy. So Musa hit him, dealing him a fatal blow. He said, 'This is part of Satan's handiwork. He truly is an outright and misleading enemy.' (28:15)

A man came running from the furthest part of the city, saying, 'Musa, the Council are conspiring to kill you, so leave! I am someone who brings you good advice.' (28:20)

How many cities We have destroyed which lived in insolent ingratitude! There are their houses, never again inhabited after them, except a little. It was We who were their Heir. (28:58)

A man came running from the far side of the city, saying, 'My people! Follow the Messengers!' (36:20)

## CLAY

He will teach him (Isa) the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel, as a Messenger to the tribe of Israel, saying: 'I have brought you a Sign from your Lord. I will create the shape of a bird out of clay for you and then breathe into it and it will be a bird by Allah's permission. I will heal the blind and the leper, and bring the dead to life, by Allah's permission. I will tell you what you eat and what you store up in your homes. There is a Sign for you in that if you are believers. (3:48-49)

Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to your mother when I reinforced you with the Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth the dead by My permission; and when I held back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but downright magic"; (5:110)

It is He Who created you from clay and then decreed a fixed term, and another fixed term is specified with Him. Yet you still have doubts! (6:2)

He said, 'What prevented you from prostrating when I commanded you to?' He (Satan) replied, 'I am better than him. You created me from fire and You created him from clay.' (7:12)

When Our command came, We turned their cities upside down and rained down on them stones of hard baked clay. (11:82)

We created mankind out of dried clay formed from fetid black mud. (15:26)

When your Lord said to the angels, 'I am creating a human being out of dried clay formed from fetid black mud,' (15:28)

He (Satan) said, 'I will not prostrate to a human being whom You have created out of dried clay formed from fetid black mud.' (15:33)

We turned the place completely upside down and rained down on them stones of hard-baked clay. (15:74)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam!' they prostrated, except for Diabolis. He said 'What! Am I to prostrate to one You have created out of clay?' (17:61)

We created man from the purest kind of clay. (23:12)

Pharaoh said, 'Council, I do not know of any other god for you apart from Me. Haman, kindle a fire for me over the clay and build me a lofty tower so that perhaps I may be able to climb up to Musa's god! I consider him a blatant liar.' (28:38)  
He Who has created all things in the best possible way. He commenced the creation of man from clay. (32:7)

Then inquire of them: is it they who are stronger in structure or other things We have created? We created them from sticky clay. (37:11)

Your Lord said to the angels, 'I am going to create a human being out of clay.' (38:71)

He (Satan) said, 'I am better than him. You created me from fire but You created him from clay.' (38:76)

They said, 'We have been sent to a people of evildoers to unleash upon them lumps of clay.' (51:32-33)

He created man from dry earth like baked clay. (55:14)

Do you not see what your Lord did with the Companions of the Elephant? Did He not bring

all their schemes to nothing, unleashing upon them flock after flock of birds, bombarding them with stones of hard-baked clay? (105:1-4)

### CLOAK

It is He Who made the night a cloak for you and sleep a rest, and He made the day a time for rising. (25:47)

They made their oaths into a cloak and barred the Way of Allah, so they will have a humiliating punishment. (58:16)

They have made their oaths into a cloak and barred the Way of Allah. What they have done is truly evil. (63:2)

You who are enveloped in your cloak! (74:1)

We made the night a cloak. (78:10)

### CLOTHING

On the night of the fast it is lawful for you to have sexual relations with your wives. They are clothing for you and you for them. Allah knows that you have been betraying yourselves and He has turned towards you and excused you. Now you may have sexual intercourse with them and seek what Allah has written for you. Eat and drink until you can clearly discern the white thread from the black thread of the dawn, then fulfil the fast until the night appears. But do not have sexual intercourse with them while you are in retreat in the mosques. These are Allah's limits, so do not go near them. In this way does Allah make His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (2:187)

Children of Adam! We have sent down clothing to you to conceal your private parts, and fine apparel, but the garment of heedfulness—that is best! That is one of Allah's Signs, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (7:26)

Children of Adam! Wear fine clothing in every mosque and eat and drink but do not be profligate. He does not love the profligate. (7:31)

Say: 'Who has forbidden the fine clothing Allah has produced for His servants and the good kinds of provision?' Say: 'On the Day of Rising such things will be exclusively for those who believed during their life in this world.' In this way We make the Signs clear for people who know. (7:32)

Allah has made your houses places of rest for you and made houses for you out of cattle hides which are light for you to carry both when you are travelling and when you are staying in one place. And from their wool and fur and hair you obtain clothing and carpets and household utensils for a time. (16:80)

Allah has made shaded places for you in what He has created and He has made shelters for you in the mountains and He has made shirts for you to protect you from the heat and shirts to protect you from each other's violence. In that way He perfects His blessing on you so that hopefully you will become Muslims. (16:81)

Allah makes an example of a city which was safe and at peace, its provision coming to it plentifully from every side. Then it showed ingratitude for Allah's blessings so Allah made it wear the robes of hunger and fear for what it did. (16:112) But Allah will admit those who believe and do right actions into Gardens with rivers flowing under them where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. (22:23)

As for women who are past child-bearing age and no longer have any hope of getting married, there is nothing wrong in their removing their outer clothes, provided they do not flaunt their adornments; but to refrain from doing so is better for them. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (24:60)

They will enter Gardens of Eden where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. (35:33)

The people who guard against evil will be in a safe place amid gardens and fountains, wearing fine silk and rich brocade, face to face with one another. (44:51-53)

(Nuh said,) 'Indeed, every time I called them to Your forgiveness, they put their fingers in their ears, wrapped themselves up in their clothes and were overweeningly arrogant.' (71:7)

You who are enwrapped in your clothing! (73:1)  
Purify your clothes. (74:4)

### CLOTHING OF WOMEN

Say to the believing women that they should

lower their eyes and guard their chastity and not display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands' fathers, or their sons or their husbands' sons or their brothers or their brothers' sons or their sisters' sons or their women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children who still have no awareness of women's private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

As for women who are past child-bearing age and no longer have any hope of getting married, there is nothing wrong in their removing their outer clothes, provided they do not flaunt their adornments; but to refrain from doing so is better for them. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (24:60) O Prophet! Tell your wives and daughters and the women of the believers to draw their outer garments closely round themselves. This makes it more likely that they will be recognised and not be harmed. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:59)

## CLOUD

Or (their likeness is) that of a storm-cloud in the sky, full of darkness, thunder and lightning. They put their fingers in their ears against the thunderclaps, fearful of death. Allah encompasses the disbelievers. (2:19)

And We shaded you with clouds and sent down manna and quails to you: 'Eat of the good things We have provided for you.' They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they were wronging. (2:57)

In the creation of the heavens and earth, and the alternation of the night and day, and the ships which sail the seas to people's benefit, and the water which Allah sends down from the sky—by which He brings the earth to life when it was dead and scatters about in it creatures of every kind—and the varying direction of the winds, and the clouds subservient between heaven and

earth, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (2:164)

What are they waiting for but for Allah to come to them in the shadows of the clouds, together with the angels, in which case the matter will have been settled? All matters return to Allah. (2:210)

It is He Who sends out the winds, bringing advance news of His mercy, so that when they have lifted up the heavy clouds, We dispatch them to a dead land and send down water to it, by means of which We bring forth all kinds of fruit. In the same way We will bring forth the dead, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (7:57)

We divided them up into twelve tribes—communities. We revealed to Musa, when his people asked him for water: 'Strike the rock with your staff.' Twelve fountains flowed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. And We shaded them with clouds and sent down manna and quails to them: 'Eat of the good things We have provided you with.' They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they wronged. (7:160)

It is He Who shows you the lightning, striking fear and bringing hope; it is He Who heaps up the heavy clouds. (13:12)

Or they are like the darkness of a fathomless sea which is covered by waves above which are waves above which are clouds, layers of darkness, one upon the other. If he puts out his hand, he can scarcely see it. Those Allah gives no light to, they have no light. (24:40)

Do you not see that Allah propels the clouds then makes them coalesce then heaps them up, and then you see the rain come pouring out of the middle of them? And He sends down mountains from the sky with hail inside them, striking with it anyone He wills and averting it from anyone He wills. The brightness of His lightning almost blinds the sight. (24:43)

The Day when Heaven is split apart in clouds, and the angels are sent down rank upon rank. (25:25)

You will see the mountains you reckoned to be solid going past like clouds—the handiwork of Allah Who gives to everything its solidity. He is aware of what you do. (27:88)

It is Allah Who sends the winds which stir up clouds which He spreads about the sky however He wills. He forms them into dark clumps and you see the rain come pouring out from the middle of them. When He makes it fall on those of His servants He wills, they rejoice. (30:48)

It is Allah Who sends the winds which raise the clouds which We then drive to a dead land and by them bring the earth to life after it was dead. That is how the Resurrection will be. (35:9) When they saw it as a storm cloud advancing on their valleys they said, 'This is a storm cloud which will give us rain.' No, rather it is what you desired to hasten—a wind containing painful punishment. (46:24)

If they saw a lump of heaven falling down, they would just say, 'Banked-up clouds!' (52:44)

Is it you who sent it (the water) down from the clouds or are We the Sender? (56:69)

We sent down cascading water from the clouds. (78:14)

(I swear by the horses) leaving a trailing dust-cloud in their wake. (100:4)

### **COAT OF MAIL**

(We revealed to Dawud,) 'Make full-length coats of mail, measuring the links with care. And act rightly, all of you, for I see what you do.' (34:11)

### **COIN**

They sold him (Yusuf) for a pittance, a few small coins, considering him to be of little worth. (12:20)

### **COLLAPSE**

Who is better: someone who finds his building on fear of Allah and His good pleasure, or someone who finds his building on the brink of a crumbling precipice so that it collapses with him into the Fire of Hell? Allah does not love wrong-doers. (9:109)

We have appointed the sacrificial animals for you as one of the sacred rites of Allah. There is good in them for you, so invoke Allah's name over them, as they stand in rows. And then when they collapse on their sides, eat of them and feed both those who ask and those who are too shy to

ask. In this way We have subjected them to you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (22:36)

### **COLOUR**

They said, 'Ask your Lord to make it clear to us what colour it should be.' He said, 'He says it should be a a yellow cow, a pleasure to all who look.' (2:69)

To those who disbelieve, the life of this world is painted in glowing colours and they laugh at those who believe. But on the Day of Rising those who fear Allah will be over them. Allah provides for whoever He wills without any reckoning. (2:121)

To mankind the love of worldly appetites is painted in glowing colours: women and children, and heaped-up mounds of gold and silver, and horses with fine markings, and livestock and fertile farmland. All that is merely the enjoyment of the life of this world. The best homecoming is in the presence of Allah. (3:14)

And also the things of varying colours He has created for you in the earth. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who pay heed. (16:13)

(Your Lord revealed to the bees:) 'Then eat from every kind of fruit and travel the paths of your Lord, which have been made easy for you to follow.' From inside them comes a drink of varying colours, containing healing for mankind. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who reflect. (16:69)

Among His Signs is the creation of the heavens and earth and the variety of your languages and colours. There are certainly Signs in that for every being. (30:22)

Do you not see that Allah sends down water from the sky and by it We bring forth fruits of varying colours? And in the mountains there are streaks of white and red, of varying shades, and rocks of deep jet black. (35:27)

And mankind and beasts and livestock are likewise of varying colours. Only those of His servants with knowledge have fear of Allah. Allah is Almighty, Ever-Forgiving. (35:28)

Do you not see that Allah sends down water from the sky and threads it through the earth to emerge as springs and then by it brings forth crops of

varying colours, which then wither and you see them turning yellow and then He makes them into broken stubble? There is a reminder in that for people of intelligence. (39:21)

On the Day the sky is like molten brass and the mountains like tufts of coloured wool. (70:8-9)

It is the Day when mankind will be like scattered moths and the mountains like tufts of coloured wool. (101:4-5)

## COLUMNS

Iram of the Columns. (89:7)

It (the kindled fire of Allah) is sealed in above them in towering columns. (104:8-9)

## COMMAND

Many of the People of the Book would love it if they could turn you back to disbelief after you have become believers, showing their innate envy now that the truth is clear to them. But you should pardon and overlook until Allah gives His command. Truly Allah has power over all things. (2:109)

Allah fulfilled His promise to you when you were slaughtering them by His permission. But then you faltered, disputing the command, and disobeyed after He showed you what you love. Among you are those who want this world and among you are those who want the hereafter. Then He turned you from them in order to test you—but He has pardoned you. Allah shows favour to the believers. (3:152)

You who have been given the Book! Believe in what We have sent down confirming what is with you, before We obliterate faces, turning them inside out, or We curse you as We cursed the Companions of the Sabbath. Allah's command is always carried out. (4:47)

Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then settled Himself firmly on the Throne. He covers the day with the night, each pursuing the other urgently; and the sun and moon and stars are subservient to His command. Both creation and command belong to Him. Blessed be Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (7:54)

And they hamstrung the She-Camel, spurning

their Lord's command, and said, 'Salih! Bring us what you have promised us if you are one of the Messengers.' (7:77)

When Musa returned to his people in anger and great sorrow, he said, 'What an evil thing you did in my absence after I left! Did you want to hasten your Lord's command?' He threw down the Tablets and seized hold of his brother's head, dragging him towards him. Harun said, 'Son of my mother, The people oppressed me and almost killed me. Do not give my enemies cause to gloat over me. Do not include me with the wrongdoing people.' (7:150)

Say: 'If your fathers or your sons or your brothers or your wives or your tribe, or any wealth you have acquired, or any business you fear may slump, or any house which pleases you, are dearer to you than Allah and His Messenger and striving in His Way, then wait until Allah brings about His command. Allah does not guide people who are deviators.' (9:24)

They have already tried to cause conflict before, and turned things completely upside down for you, until the truth came and Allah's command prevailed even though they detested it. (9:48)

And others are left awaiting Allah's command as to whether He will punish them or turn to them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:106)

The metaphor of the life of this world is that of water which We send down from the sky, and which then mingles with the plants of the earth to provide food for both people and animals. Then, when the earth is at its loveliest and takes on its fairest guise and its people think they have it under their control, Our command comes upon it by night or day and We reduce it to dried-out stubble, as though it had not been flourishing just the day before! In this way We make Our Signs clear for people who reflect. (10:24)

So when Our command came, and water bubbled up from the earth, We said (to Nuh), 'Load into it a pair of every species, and your family—except for those against whom the Word was preordained—and all who believe.' But those who believed with him were only few. (11:40)

He (Nuh's son) said, 'I will take refuge on a mountain; It will protect me from the flood.' He

said, 'There is no protection from Allah's command today except for those He has mercy on.' The waves surged in between them and he was among the drowned. (11:43)

When Our command came, We rescued Hud and those who believed along with him by a mercy from Us. We rescued them from a harsh punishment. (11:58)

That was 'Ad. They denied the Signs of their Lord and disobeyed His Messengers and followed the command of every obdurate tyrant. (11:59)

Then when Our command came We rescued Salih and those who believed along with him by a mercy from Us from the disgrace of that day. Your Lord is the All-Strong, the Almighty. (11:66) They said, 'Are you astonished at Allah's command? May Allah's mercy and His blessings be upon you, People of the House! He is Praiseworthy, All-Glorious.' (11:73)

'Ibrahim, turn away from this! Your Lord's command has come. A punishment is coming to them which cannot be repelled.' (11:76)

When Our command came, We turned their cities upside down and rained down on them stones of hard baked clay. (11:82)

When Our command came, We rescued Shu'ayb and those who believed along with him by a mercy from Us. The Great Blast seized hold of those who did wrong and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (11:94)

We sent Musa with Our Signs and clear authority to Pharaoh and his ruling circle. They followed Pharaoh's command but Pharaoh's command was not rightly guided. (11:96-97)

We did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. The gods they called upon besides Allah did not help them at all when Allah's command came upon them. They did nothing but increase their ruin. (11:101)

We revealed to him (Lut) the command We had decreed: that on the following morning the last remnant of those people would be cut off. (15:66)

Allah's command is coming, so do not try to hasten it. Glory be to Him! He is exalted above anything they associate with Him. (16:1)

He sends down angels with the Spirit of His com-

mand to any of His servants He wills: 'Give warning that there is no god but Me, so have fear of Me!' (16:2)

He has made night and day subservient to you, and the sun and moon and stars, all subject to His command. There are certainly Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (16:12)

What are they waiting for but the angels to come to them or your Lord's command to come? That is like what those before them did. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (16:33)

When We desire to destroy a city, We send a command to the affluent in it and they become deviant in it and the Word is justly carried out against it and We annihilate it completely. (17:16)

(Dhu'l-Qarnayn said,) 'But as for him who believes and acts rightly, he will receive the best of rewards and we will issue a command, making things easy for him.' (18:88)

We revealed to him (Nuh): 'Build the Ship under Our supervision and as We reveal. When Our command comes and water bubbles up from the earth, load into it a pair of every species, and your family—except for those among them against whom the word has already gone ahead. And do not address Me concerning those who do wrong. They shall be drowned.' (23:27)

You were not on the western side when We gave Musa the command. You were not a witness. (28:44)

Among His Signs is that He sends the winds bearing good news, to give you a taste of His mercy, and to make the ships run by His command, and to enable you to seek His bounty so that hopefully you will be thankful. (30:46)

We appointed leaders from among them, guiding by Our command when they were steadfast and when they had certainty about Our Signs. (32:24)

When you said to him whom Allah has blessed and you yourself have greatly favoured, 'Keep your wife to yourself and have fear of Allah,' while concealing something in yourself which Allah wished to bring to light, you were fearing people when Allah has more right to your fear. Then when Zayd divorced her We married her to

you so that there should be no restriction for the believers regarding the wives of their adopted sons when they have divorced them. Allah's command is always carried out. (33:37)

There is no restriction on the Prophet regarding anything Allah allots to him. This was Allah's pattern with those who passed away before—and Allah's command is a pre-ordained decree. (33:38)

And We gave Sulayman power over the wind—a month's journey in the morning and a month in the afternoon. And We made a fount of molten brass flow out for him. And some of the jinn worked in front of him by his Lord's permission. And if a single one of them deviates at all from Our command, We let him taste the punishment of the Searing Blaze. (34:12)

His command when He desires a thing is just to say to it, 'Be!' and it is. (36:82)

So We subjected the wind to him to blow at his command, softly, wherever he directed. (38:36) He is the Raiser of ranks, the Possessor of the Throne, He sends the Spirit by His command to whichever of His servants He wills so that he may warn mankind about the Day of Meeting. (40:15)

We sent Messengers before you. Some of them We have told you about and others We have not told you about. No Messenger can bring a Sign except with Allah's permission. But when Allah's command comes the matter will be decided with truth and then and there the liars will be lost. (40:78) Accordingly We have revealed to you a Spirit by Our command. You had no idea of what the Book was, nor faith. Nonetheless We have made it a Light by which We guide those of Our servants We will. Truly you are guiding to a Straight Path. (42:52)

We made the Commandments very clear to them and they only differed after knowledge came to them, tyrannising one other. Your Lord will decide between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things they differed about. (45:17)

Then We placed you on the right road of Our Command so follow it. Do not follow the whims and desires of those who do not know. (45:18)

If two parties of the believers fight, make peace

between them. But if one of them attacks the other unjustly, fight the attackers until they revert to Allah's command. If they revert, make peace between them with justice, and be even-handed. Allah loves those who are even-handed. (49:9) But they spurned their Lord's command, so the Blast seized them as they looked. (51:44) Our command is only one word, like the blinking of an eye. (54:50)

They will call out to them, 'Were we not with you?' They will reply, 'Indeed you were. But you made trouble for yourselves and hung back and doubted and false hopes deluded you until Allah's command arrived. The Deluder deluded you about Allah.' (57:14)

That is Allah's command which He has sent down to you. Whoever has fear of Allah—He will erase his bad actions from him and greatly increase his reward. (65:5)

How many cities spurned their Lord's command and His Messengers! And so We called them harshly to account and punished them with a terrible punishment. (65:8)

It is Allah Who created the seven heavens and of the earth the same number, the Command descending down through all of them, so that you might know that Allah has power over all things and that Allah encompasses all things in His knowledge. (65:12)

It is the Day when a self will have no power to help any other self in any way. The command that Day will be Allah's alone. (82:19)

## COMMUNITY

(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord, make us both Muslims submitted to You, and our descendants a Muslim community submitted to You. Show us our rites of worship and turn towards us. You are the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful.' (2:128)

That was a community which has long since passed away. It has what it earned. You have what you have earned. You will not be questioned about what they did. (2:134, 2:141)

In this way We have made you a middlemost community, so that you may act as witnesses against mankind and the Messenger as a witness against you. We only appointed the direction

you used to face in order to know those who follow the Messenger from those who turn round on their heels. Though in truth it is a very hard thing—except for those Allah has guided. Allah would never let your faith go to waste. Allah is All-Gentle, Most Merciful to mankind. (2:143) Mankind was a single community. Then Allah sent out Prophets bringing good news and giving warning, and with them He sent down the Book with truth to decide between people regarding their differences. Only those who were given it differed about it, after the Clear Signs had come to them, envying one another. Then, by His permission, Allah guided those who believed to the truth of that about which they had differed. Allah guides whoever He wills to a straight path. (2:213)

And We have sent down the Book to you with truth, confirming and conserving the previous Books. So judge between them by what Allah has sent down and do not follow their whims and desires deviating from the Truth that has come to you. We have appointed a law and a practice for every one of you. Had Allah willed, He would have made you a single community, but He wanted to test you regarding what has come to you. So compete with each other in doing good. Every one of you will return to Allah and He will inform you regarding the things about which you differed. (5:48)

There is no creature crawling on the earth or flying creature, flying on its wings, who are not communities just like yourselves—We have not omitted anything from the Book—then they will be gathered to their Lord. (6:38)

Among those We have created there is a community who guide by the Truth and act justly according to it. (7:181)

Mankind was only one community but then they differed, and had it not been for a prior Word from your Lord, they would already have been judged in respect of the differences between them. (10:19)

If your Lord had wanted to, He would have made mankind into one community but they persist in their differences, (11:118)

By Allah, We sent Messengers to communities be-

fore your time, but Satan made their actions seem good to them. Therefore today he is their protector. They will have a painful punishment. (16:63) On that Day We will raise up among every community a witness against them from amongst themselves, and bring you as a witness against them. We have sent down the Book to you making all things clear and as guidance and mercy and good news for the Muslims. (16:89)

Do not be like a woman who spoils the thread she has spun by unravelling it after it is strong, by making your oaths a means of deceiving one another, merely because one community is bigger than another. Allah is only testing you by this. He will make clear to you on the Day of Rising the things about which you differed. (16:92)

If Allah had willed He would have made you one community. However, He misguides anyone He wills and guides anyone He wills. You will be questioned about what you did. (16:93)

Ibrahim was a community in himself, exemplary, obedient to Allah, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters. (16:120)

Then We sent Our Messengers one after another, at intervals. Each time its Messenger came to a community they called him a liar so We made them follow one another too and turned them into myths and legends. Away with the people who have no faith! (23:44)

On that Day We will collect from every community a crowd of those who denied Our Signs, paraded in tight ranks. (27:83)

We have sent you with the truth bringing good news and giving warning. There is no community to which a warner has not come. (35:24)

They swore by Allah with their most earnest oaths that if a warner came to them they would be better guided than any other community. But then when a warner did come to them, it only increased their aversion. (35:42)

Were it not that mankind might all become one community, We would have given those who reject the All-Merciful silver roofs to their houses and silver stairways to ascend. (43:33)

## COMPANION

But those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs are

the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:39)

No indeed! Those who accumulate bad actions and are surrounded by their mistakes, such people are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever; whereas those who believe and do right actions, such people are the Companions of the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:81-82)

They will ask you about the Sacred Month and fighting in it. Say, 'Fighting in it is a serious matter; but barring access to the Way of Allah and rejecting Him and barring access to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and expelling its people from it are far more serious in the sight of Allah. Discord is worse than killing.' They will not stop fighting you until they make you revert from your religion, if they are able. As for any of you who revert from their religion and die disbeliever, their actions will come to nothing in this world and the hereafter. They are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:217)

Allah is the Protector of those who believe. He brings them out of the darkness into the light. But those who disbelieve have false gods as protectors. They take them from the light into the darkness. Those are the Companions of the Fire remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:257)

Those who practise usury will not rise from the grave except as someone driven mad by Satan's touch. That is because they say, 'Trade is the same as usury.' But Allah has permitted trade and He has forbidden usury. Whoever is given a warning by his Lord and then desists, can keep what he received in the past and his affair is Allah's concern. But all who return to it will be the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:275)

As for those who disbelieve, their wealth and children will not help them against Allah in any way. They are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (3:116)

Worship Allah and do not associate anything with Him. Be good to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to neighbours who are related to you and neighbours

who are not related to you, and to companions and travellers and your slaves. Allah does not love anyone vain or boastful. (4:36)

You who have been given the Book! Believe in what We have sent down confirming what is with you, before We obliterate faces, turning them inside out, or We curse you as We cursed the Companions of the Sabbath. Allah's command is always carried out. (4:47)

But those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs, are the Companions of the Blazing Fire. (5:10) (One of Adam's two sons said to the other,) 'I want you to take on both my wrongdoing and your wrongdoing and so become one of the Companions of the Fire. That is the repayment of the wrongdoers.' (5:29)

As for those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs, they are the Companions of the Blazing Fire. (5:86)

Say: 'Are we to call on something besides Allah which can neither help nor harm us, and to turn on our heels after Allah has guided us, like someone the Satans have lured away in the earth, leaving him confused and stupefied, despite the fact that he has companions calling him to guidance, saying, "Come with us!"?' Say: 'Allah's guidance, that is true guidance. We are commanded to submit as Muslims to the Lord of all the worlds.' (6:71)

But as for those who reject Our Signs and are arrogant regarding them, they are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (7:36)

As for those who believe and do right actions—We impose on no self any more than it can bear—they are the Companions of the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (7:42)

The Companions of the Garden will call out to the Companions of the Fire, 'We have found that what our Lord promised us is true. Have you found that what your Lord promised you is true?' They will say, 'Yes, we have!' Between them a herald will proclaim: 'May the curse of Allah be on the wrongdoers.' (7:44)

When they turn their eyes towards the Companions of the Fire, they will say, 'Our Lord,

do not place us with the people of the wrongdoers!' (7:47)

The Companions of the Ramparts will call out to men they recognise by their mark, saying, 'What you amassed was of no use to you, nor was your arrogance.' (7:48)

The Companions of the Fire will call out to the Companions of the Garden, 'Throw down some water to us or some of what Allah has given you as provision.' They will say, 'Allah has forbidden them to the disbelievers.' (7:50)

Have they not reflected? Their companion is not mad. He is only a clear warner. (7:184)

If you do not help him, Allah did help him when those who disbelieved drove him out and there were two of them in the Cave. He said to his companion, 'Do not be despondent, Allah is with us.' Then Allah sent down His serenity upon him and reinforced him with troops you could not see. He made the word of those who disbelieved undermost. It is the word of Allah which is uppermost. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:40)

It is not right for the Prophet and those who believe to ask forgiveness for the idolaters—even if they are close relatives—after it has become clear to them that they are the Companions of the Blazing Fire. (9:113)

Those who do good will have the best and more! Neither dust nor debasement will darken their faces. They are the Companions of the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (10:26)

But as for those who have earned bad actions—a bad action will be repaid with one the like of it. Debasement will darken them. They will have no one to protect them from Allah. It is as if their faces were covered by dark patches of the night. Those are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (10:27)

As for those who believe and do right actions and humble themselves before their Lord, they are the Companions of the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (11:23)

(Yusuf said,) 'My companions of the prison, are many lords better, or Allah, the only One, the Conqueror?' (12:39)

(Yusuf said,) 'My companions of the prison, one of you will serve his lord with wine, the other of

you will be crucified and birds will eat his head. The thing you asked about is foreordained.' (12:41)

If you are surprised at their blindness, what could be more surprising than their words: 'What, when we are turned to dust, shall we then be created all anew?' These are the people who reject their Lord. Such people have iron collars round their necks. Such people are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (13:5)

Do you consider that the Companions of the Cave and Ar-Raqim were one of the most remarkable of Our Signs? (18:9)

He was a man of wealth and property and he said to his companion, debating with him, 'I have more wealth than you and more people under me.' (18:34)

His companion, with whom he was debating, said to him, 'Do you then disbelieve in Him Who created you from dust, then from a drop of sperm, and then formed you as a man?' (18:37)

Musa said, 'If I ask you about anything after this, then you should no longer keep me company. I will have given you excuse enough.' (18:76)

Say: 'Everyone is waiting expectantly so wait expectantly. You will soon know who are the Companions of the Right Path and who is guided.' (20:135)

And the companions of Madyan (denied); and Musa was denied as well. I allowed time to the disbelievers but then I seized them. How terrible was My denial! (22:44)

But as for those who strive against My Signs and try to thwart them, they will be the Companions of the Blazing Fire. (22:51)

The Companions of the Garden on that Day will have better lodging and a better resting-place. (25:24)

The same goes for 'Ad and Thamud and the Companions of the Rass and many generations in between. (25:38)

And when the two hosts came into sight of one another Musa's companions said, 'We will surely be overtaken!' (26:61)

The Companions of the Thicket denied the Messengers. (26:176)

Say: 'I exhort you to do one thing alone: to stand

before Allah in pairs and on your own and then reflect. Your companion is not possessed. He is only a warner come to you ahead of a terrible punishment.' (34:46)

The Companions of the Garden are busy enjoying themselves today. (36:55)

And Thamud and the people of Lut and the Companions of the Thicket. Those too were Confederates. (38:13)

When harm touches man he calls upon his Lord, repenting to Him. Then when He grants him a blessing from Him, he forgets what he was calling for before and ascribes rivals to Allah, so as to misguide others from His Way. Say: 'Enjoy your disbelief for a little while. You are among the Companions of the Fire.' (39:8)

So your Lord's Words about those who disbelieve proved true, that they are indeed the Companions of the Fire. (40:6)

There is no question that what you call me to has no foundation either in this world or the hereafter, that our return is to Allah, and that the profigate will be Companions of the Fire. (40:43)

If someone shuts his eyes to the remembrance of the All-Merciful, We assign him a Satan who becomes his bosom friend—they debar them from the path, yet they still think they are guided—so that, when he reaches Us, he says, 'If only there was the distance of the two Easts between you and me!' What an evil companion! (43:36-38) Such people are the Companions of the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever, as repayment for what they did. (46:14)

Those are people whose best deeds will be accepted and whose wrong deeds will be overlooked. They are among the Companions of the Garden, in fulfilment of the true promise made to them. (46:16)

Before them the people of Nuh also denied the truth and the Companions of Rass and Thamud. (50:12)

And the Companions of the Thicket and the people of Tubba'. Each one denied the Messengers and My promise proved true. (50:14)

Your companion is not misguided or misled. (53:2)

They called on their companion and he set to it

and hamstrung her (the she-camel). (54:29)

The Companions of the Right: how happy are the Companions of the Right? (56:8)

The Companions of the Left: how wretched are the Companions of the Left? (56:9)

And the Companions of the Right: how happy are the Companions of the Right? (56:27)

We have brought maidens into being and made them purest virgins, devoted, passionate, of like age, for the Companions of the Right. (56:35-38)

And the Companions of the Left: how wretched are the Companions of the Left? (56:41)

And if he is one of the Companions of the Right, 'Peace be upon you!' from the Companions of the Right. (56:90-91)

Those who believe in Allah and His Messengers—such people are the truly sincere—and the martyrs who are with their Lord will receive their wages and their light. But those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs, will be Companions of the Blazing Fire. (57:19)

Neither their wealth nor their children will help them at all against Allah. Such people are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (58:17)

The Companions of the Fire and the Companions of the Garden are not the same. It is the Companions of the Garden who are the victors. (59:20)

But as for those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs they are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. What an evil destination! (64:10)

They will say, 'If only we had really listened and used our intellect, we would not have been Companions of the Blaze.' (67:10)

Then they will acknowledge their wrong actions. Away with the Companions of the Blaze! (67:11)

So wait steadfastly for the judgement of your Lord. Do not be like the Companion of the Fish when he called out in absolute despair. (68:48)

Except for the companions of the Right. (74:39)

Your companion is not mad. (81:22)

Cursed be the Companions of the Pit. (85:4)

Those are the Companions of the Right. (90:18)

Those who reject Our signs, they are the Companions of the Left. (90:19)

Do you not see what your Lord did with the Companions of the Elephant? (105:1)

### **COMPANIONS OF THE CAVE (ASHAB AL-KAHF)**

Do you consider that the Companions of the Cave and Ar-Raqim were one of the most remarkable of Our Signs? When the young men took refuge in the cave and said, 'Our Lord, give us mercy directly from You and open the way for us to right guidance in our situation.' So We sealed their ears with sleep in the cave for a number of years. Then We woke them up again so that we might see which of the two groups would better calculate the time they had stayed there. We will relate their story to you with truth. They were young men who believed in their Lord and We increased them in guidance. We fortified their hearts when they stood up and said, 'Our Lord is the Lord of the heavens and the earth and We will not call on any god apart from Him. We would in that case have uttered an abomination. These people of ours have taken gods apart from Him. Why do they not produce a clear authority concerning them? Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents a lie against Allah? When you have separated yourselves from them and everything they worship except Allah, take refuge in the cave and your Lord will unfold His mercy to you and open the way to the best for you in your situation.' You would have seen the sun, when it rose, inclining away from their cave towards the right, and, when it set, leaving them behind on the left, while they were lying in an open part of it. That was one of Allah's Signs. Whoever Allah guides is truly guided. But if He misguides someone, you will find no protector for them to guide them rightly. You would have supposed them to be awake whereas in fact they were asleep. We moved them to the right and to the left, and, at the entrance, their dog stretched out its paws. If you had looked down and seen them, you would have turned from them and run and have been filled with terror at the sight of them. That was the situation when we woke them up so they could question one another. One of them asked, 'How long have you been

here?' They replied, 'We have been here for a day or part of a day.' They said, 'Your Lord knows best how long you have been here. Send one of your number into the city with this silver you have, so he can see which food is purest and bring you some of it to eat. But he should go about with caution so that no one is aware of you, for if they find out about you they will stone you or make you revert to their religion and then you will never have success.' Accordingly We made them chance upon them unexpectedly so they might know that Allah's promise is true and that there is no doubt about the Hour. When they were arguing among themselves about the matter, they said, 'Wall up their cave, their Lord knows best about them.' But those who got the better of the argument concerning them said, 'We will build a place of worship over them.' They will say, 'There were three of them, their dog being the fourth.' They will say, 'There were five of them, their dog being the sixth,' guessing at the Unseen. And they will say, 'There were seven of them, their dog being the eighth.' Say: 'My Lord knows best their number. Those who know about them are very few.' So do not enter into any argument concerning them, except in relation to what is clearly known. And do not seek the opinion of any of them regarding them. Never say about anything, 'I am doing that tomorrow,' without adding 'If Allah wills.' Remember your Lord when you forget, and say, 'Hopefully my Lord will guide me to something closer to right guidance than this.' They stayed in their Cave for three hundred years and added nine. Say: 'Allah knows best how long they stayed. The Unseen of the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. How perfectly He sees, how well He hears! They have no protector apart from Him. Nor does He share His rule with anyone.' (18:9-26)

### **COMPANIONS OF THE ELEPHANT (ASHAB AL-FIL)**

Do you not see what your Lord did with the Companions of the Elephant? Did He not bring all their schemes to nothing, unleashing upon them flock after flock of birds? (105:1-3)

## **COMPANIONS OF THE LEFT**

### **(ASHAB AL-MASH'AMA)**

The Companions of the Left: how wretched are the Companions of the Left? (56:9)

## **COMPANIONS OF THE PIT**

### **(ASHAB AL-'UKHDUD)**

Cursed be the Companions of the Pit—the fire well stocked with fuel—when they were seated right beside it witnessing what they did to the believers. The only reason they punished them was because they believed in Allah, the Almighty, the All-Praiseworthy. (85:4-8)

## **COMPANIONS OF THE RASS**

The same goes for 'Ad and Thamud and the Companions of the Rass and many generations in between. (25:38)

Before them the people of Nuh also denied the truth and the Companions of the Rass and Thamud, (50:12)

## **COMPANIONS OF THE RIGHT (ASHAB AL-MAIMANA) (ASHAB AL-YEMEEN)**

The Companions of the Right: how happy are the Companions of the Right? (56:8)

And the Companions of the Right: how happy are the Companions of the Right? (56:27)

We have brought maidens into being and made them purest virgins, devoted, passionate, of like age, for the Companions of the Right. (56:35-38)

## **COMPANIONS OF THE THICKET**

### **(ASHAB AL-AYKA)**

The people of the Thicket were also wrongdoers. (15:78)

The Companions of the Thicket denied the Messengers, (26:176)

And Thamud and the people of Lut and the Companions of the Thicket. Those too were Confederates. (38:13)

And the Companions of the Thicket and the people of Tubba'. Each one denied the Messengers and My promise proved true. (50:14)

## **COMPASSION**

Or (do those who plot evil actions feel secure)

that He will not seize them little by little? For your Lord is All-Compassionate, Most Merciful. (16:47)

(He said to Musa,) 'We wanted their Lord to give them in exchange a purer son than him, one more compassionate.' (18:81)

Do you not see that Allah has made everything on the earth subservient to you and the ships running upon the sea by His command? He holds back the heaven, preventing it from falling to the earth—except by His permission. Allah is All-Compassionate to mankind, Most Merciful. (22:65)

Among His Signs is that He created spouses for you of your own kind so that you might find tranquillity in them. And He has placed affection and compassion between you. There are certainly Signs in that for people who reflect. (30:21)

Then We sent Our Messengers following in their footsteps and sent 'Isa son of Maryam after them, giving him the Gospel. We put compassion and mercy in the hearts of those who followed him. They invented monasticism—We did not prescribe it for them—purely out of desire to gain the pleasure of Allah, but even so they did not observe it as it should have been observed. To those of them who believed We gave their reward but many of them are deviators. (57:27)

(The steep ascent is) then to be one of those who believe and urge each other to steadfastness and urge each other to compassion. (90:17)

## **COMPETE**

They believe in Allah and the Last Day, and enjoin the right and forbid the wrong, and compete in doing good. They are among the righteous. (3:114)

And We have sent down the Book to you with truth, confirming and conserving the previous Books. So judge between them by what Allah has sent down and do not follow their whims and desires deviating from the Truth that has come to you. We have appointed a law and a practice for every one of you. Had Allah willed, He would have made you a single community, but He wanted to test you regarding what has come to you. So compete with each other in doing good.

Every one of you will return to Allah and He will inform you regarding the things about which you differed. (5:48)

### **COMPULSION**

There is no compulsion where the religion is concerned. Right guidance has become clearly distinct from error. Anyone who rejects false gods and believes in Allah has grasped the Firmest Handhold, which will never give way. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (2:256)

### **CONJECTURE**

And (We punished them) on account of their disbelief, and their utterance of a monstrous slander against Maryam, and their saying, 'We killed the Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, Messenger of Allah.' They did not kill him and they did not crucify him but it was made to seem so to them. Those who argue about him are in doubt about it. They have no real knowledge of it, just conjecture. But they certainly did not kill him. (4:156-157)

If you obeyed most of those on earth, they would misguide you from Allah's Way. They follow nothing but conjecture. They are only guessing. (6:116)

Those who associate others with Allah will say, 'If Allah had willed we would not have associated anything with Him, nor would our fathers; nor would we have made anything forbidden.' In the same way the people before them also lied until they felt Our violent force. Say: 'Do you have some knowledge you can produce for us? You are following nothing but conjecture. You are only guessing.' (6:148)

Most of them follow nothing but conjecture. Conjecture is of no use whatsoever against the truth. Allah most certainly knows what they are doing. (10:36)

Yes, indeed! Everyone in the heavens and everyone on the earth belongs to Allah. Those who call on something other than Allah are not really following their partner-gods. They are only following conjecture. They are only guessing. (10:66) They say, 'If the All-Merciful had so willed, we would have worshipped them.' They have no

knowledge of that. They are only conjecturing. (43:20)

They say, 'There is nothing but our existence in this world. We die and we live and nothing destroys us except for time.' They have no knowledge of that. They are only conjecturing. (45:24)

But as for those who disbelieved: 'Were My Signs not recited to you and yet you proved arrogant; you were a people of evildoers? When you were told, "Allah's promise is true and so is the Hour, of which there is no doubt," you said, "We have no idea what the Hour is. We have only been conjecturing. We are by no means certain." (45:31-32)

Death to the conjecturers. (51:10)

They are nothing but names which you yourselves have given, you and your forefathers. Allah has sent down no authority for them. They are following nothing but conjecture and what their own selves desire. And that when guidance has reached them from their Lord! (53:23)

They have no knowledge of this. They are only following conjecture. Conjecture is of no avail whatever against the truth. (53:28)

### **CONSTELLATION**

We have placed constellations in heaven and made them beautiful for those who look. (15:16)

Blessed be He Who placed constellations in the sky and put a blazing lamp and shining moon among them. (25:61)

### **CONSTRAINT**

Strive for Allah with the striving due to Him. He has selected you and not placed any constraint upon you in the religion—the religion of your forefather Ibrahim. He named you Muslims before and also in this, so that the Messenger could be witness against you and you could be witnesses against all mankind. So perform prayer and give the alms and hold fast to Allah. He is your Protector—the Best Protector, the Best Helper. (22:78)

There is no constraint on the blind, nor on the lame, nor on the sick. We will admit all who obey Allah and His Messenger into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. But We will punish with a painful punishment anyone who turns his back. (48:17)

## **CONSULTATION**

Mothers should nurse their children for two full years—those who wish to complete the full term of nursing. It is the duty of the fathers to feed and clothe them with correctness and courtesy—no self is charged with more than it can bear. No mother should be put under pressure in respect of her child nor any father in respect of his child. The same duty is incumbent on the heir. If the couple both wish weaning to take place after mutual agreement and consultation, there is nothing wrong in their doing that. If you wish to find wet-nurses for your children, there is nothing wrong in your doing that provided you hand over to them what you have agreed to give with correctness and courtesy. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah sees what you do. (2:233)

It is a mercy from Allah that you were gentle with them. If you had been rough or hard of heart, they would have scattered from around you. So pardon them and ask forgiveness for them, and consult with them about the matter. Then when you have reached a firm decision, put your trust in Allah. Allah loves those who put their trust in Him. (3:159)

(Believers are) those who respond to their Lord and perform prayer, and manage their affairs by mutual consultation and give of what We have provided for them. (42:38)

## **CONSUMING**

Those who say, ‘Allah has made a contract with us that we should not believe in any Messenger until he brings us a sacrifice consumed by fire.’ Say, ‘Messengers came to you before me with the Clear Signs and with what you say. So why did you kill them if you are telling the truth?’ (3:183) Keep a close check on orphans until they reach a marriageable age, then if you perceive that they have sound judgement hand over their property to them. Do not consume it extravagantly and precipitately before they come of age. Those who are wealthy should abstain from it altogether. Those who are poor should use it sensibly and correctly. When you hand over their property to them ensure that there are witnesses on their behalf. Allah suffices as a Reckoner. (4:6)

People who consume the property of orphans wrongfully consume nothing in their bellies except fire. They will roast in a Searing Blaze. (4:10)

You who believe! Do not consume one another’s property by false means, but only by means of mutually agreed trade. And do not kill yourselves. Allah is Most Merciful to you. (4:29)

Because of wrongdoing on the part of the Jews, We made forbidden for them some good things which had previously been lawful for them; and because of their obstructing many people from the Way of Allah, and because of their practising usury when they were forbidden to do it, and because of their consuming people’s wealth by wrongful means, We have prepared for the disbelievers among them a painful punishment. (4:160-161)

They are people who listen to lies and consume ill-gotten gains. If they come to you, you can either judge between them or turn away from them. If you turn away from them, they cannot harm you in any way. But if you do judge, judge between them justly. Allah loves the just. (5:42) He says, ‘I have consumed vast quantities of wealth.’ (90:6)

## **CONTRACT**

Those who break Allah’s contract after it has been agreed, and sever what Allah has commanded to be joined, and cause corruption on the earth, it is they who are the lost. (2:27)

Tribe of Israel! Remember the blessing I conferred on you. Honour My contract and I will honour your contract. Have dread of Me alone. (2:40)

They say, ‘The Fire will only touch us for a number of days.’ Say, ‘Have you made a contract with Allah—then Allah will not break His contract—or are you rather saying about Allah what you do not know?’ (2:80)

Why is it that, whenever they make a contract, a group of them disdainfully tosses it aside? No indeed! Most of them have no faith. (2:100)

Remember when Ibrahim was tested by his Lord with certain words which he carried out completely. He said, ‘I will make you a model for mankind.’ He asked, ‘And what of my descen-

dants?' He said, 'My contract does not include the wrongdoers.' (2:124)

And when We made the House (Kaaba) a place of return, a sanctuary for mankind: They took the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray) as a place of prayer. We contracted with Ibrahim and Isma'il: 'Purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stay there, and those who bow and who prostrate.' (2:125)

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

If you divorce them before you have touched them but have already allotted them a dowry, they should have half the amount which you allotted, unless they forgo it or the one in charge of the marriage contract forgoes it. To forgo it is closer to heedfulness. Do not forget to show generosity to one another. Allah sees what you do. (2:237)

No, the truth is, if people honour their contracts and have fear of Him, Allah loves those who guard against evil. (3:76)

Those who sell Allah's contract and their own oaths for a paltry price, such people will have no portion in the hereafter and on the Day of Rising Allah will not speak to them or look at them or purify them. They will have a painful punishment. (3:77)

Those who say, 'Allah has made a contract with us that we should not believe in any Messenger until he brings us a sacrifice consumed by fire.' Say, 'Messengers came to you before me with the Clear Signs and with what you say. So why did you kill them if you are telling the truth?' (3:183) How could you take it when you have been intimate with one another and they have made a

binding contract with you? (4:21)

You who believe! Fulfil your contracts. All livestock animals are lawful for you, except those that are recited to you now; but it is still not lawful to hunt while you are in the state of pilgrimage. Allah makes whatever judgements He wills. (5:1)

And that you do not go near the property of orphans before they reach maturity—except in a good way; that you give full measure and full weight with justice—We impose on no self any more than it can bear; that you are equitable when you speak—even if a near relative is concerned; and that you fulfil Allah's contract. That is what He instructs you to do, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (6:152)

We did not find many of them worthy of their contract. We found most of them deviators. (7:102)

Whenever the plague came down on them they said, 'Musa, pray to your Lord for us by the contract He has with you. If you remove the plague from us, we will definitely believe in you and send the tribe of Israel away with you.' (7:134)

Allah has bought from the believers their selves and their wealth in return for the Garden. They fight in the Way of Allah and they kill and are killed. It is a promise binding on Him in the Torah, the Gospel and the Qur'an and who is truer to his contract than Allah? Rejoice then in the bargain you have made. That is the great victory. (9:111)

(People of intelligence are) those who fulfil Allah's contract and do not break their agreement. (13:20)

But as for those who break Allah's contract after it has been agreed and sever what Allah has commanded to be joined, and cause corruption in the earth, the curse will be upon them. They will have the Evil Abode. (13:25)

Be true to Allah's contract when you have agreed to it, and do not break your oaths once they are confirmed and you have made Allah your guarantee. Allah knows what you do. (16:91)

Do not sell Allah's contract for a paltry price. What is with Allah is better for you if you only knew. (16:95)

Do not go near the property of orphans before they reach maturity, except in a good way. Fulfil your contracts. Contracts will be asked about. (17:34)

Has he surveyed the Unseen or has he a contract with the All-Merciful? (19:78)

They have no right of intercession. None do but those who have a contract with the All-Merciful. (19:87)

Musa returned to his people in anger and great sorrow. He said, 'My people, did not your Lord make you a handsome promise? Did the fulfilment of the contract seem too long to you or did you want to unleash your Lord's anger upon yourselves, so you broke your promise to me?' (20:86)

We made a contract with Adam before, but he forgot. We did not find that he had a firm resolve. (20:115)

(Believers are) those who honour their trusts and their contracts. (23:8)

Those who cannot find the means to marry should be abstinent until Allah enriches them from His bounty. If any slaves you own want to make a contract to free themselves, write it for them if you know of good in them and give them some of the wealth Allah has given you. Do not force your slavegirls to prostitute themselves if they desire to be virtuous women out of your desire for the goods of this world. If anyone forces them, then after they have been forced, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:33)

Yet they had previously made a contract with Allah that they would never turn their backs. Contracts made with Allah will be asked about. (33:15)

Among the believers there are men who have been true to the contract they made with Allah. Some of them have fulfilled their pact by death and some are still waiting to do so, not having changed in any way at all. (33:23)

Did I not make a contract with you, tribe of Adam, not to worship Satan, who truly is an outright enemy to you? (36:60)

They said, 'Magician, invoke your Lord for us by the contract He has made with you and we shall certainly follow the guidance.' (43:49)

Those who pledge you their allegiance pledge al-

legiance to Allah. Allah's hand is over their hands. He who breaks his pledge only breaks it against himself. But as for him who fulfils the contract he has made with Allah, We will pay him an immense reward. (48:10)

(Believers are) those who honour their trusts and contracts. (70:32)

## **COOLNESS**

But as for those who believe and do right actions, We will admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. In them they will have spouses of perfect purity and We will admit them into cool, refreshing shade. (4:57)

We said, 'Fire, be coolness and peace for Ibrahim!' (21:69)

(His Lord said to Ayyub,) 'Stamp your foot! Here is a cool bath and water to drink.' (38:42)

Reclining in it on couches, they will experience there neither burning sun nor bitter cold. (76:13)

## **CORAL**

From out of them come glistening pearls and coral. (55:22)

## **CORPSE**

Then Allah sent a crow which scratched at the earth to show him how to conceal his brother's corpse. He said, 'Woe is me! Can I not even be like this crow and conceal my brother's corpse?' And he became one of those who suffer bitter remorse. (5:31)

'Today We will preserve your body so you (Pharaoh) can be a Sign for people who come after you. Surely many people are heedless of Our Signs.' (10:92)

We tested Sulayman and placed a lifeless body on his throne. Then he repented. (38:34)

## **CORRECTNESS**

You who believe! Retaliation is prescribed for you in the case of people killed: free man for free man, slave for slave, female for female. But if someone is absolved by his brother, blood-money should be claimed with correctness and paid with good will. That is an easement and a

mercy from your Lord. Anyone who goes beyond the limits after this will receive a painful punishment. (2:178)

It is prescribed for you, when death approaches one of you and if he has some goods to leave, to make a will in favour of his parents and relatives, correctly and fairly: a duty for all those who guard against evil. (2:180)

Divorce can be pronounced two times; in which case wives may be retained with correctness and courtesy or released with good will. It is not lawful for you to keep anything you have given them unless a couple fear that they will not remain within Allah's limits. If you fear that they will not remain within Allah's limits, there is nothing wrong in the wife ransoming herself with some of what she received. These are Allah's limits, so do not overstep them. Those who overstep Allah's limits are wrongdoers. (2:229)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, then either retain them with correctness and courtesy or release them with correctness and courtesy. Do not retain them by force, thus overstepping the limits. Anyone who does that has wronged himself. Do not make a mockery of Allah's Signs. Remember Allah's blessing to you and the Book and Wisdom He has sent down to you to admonish you. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:231)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, do not prevent them from marrying their first husbands if they have mutually agreed to it with correctness and courtesy. This is an admonition for those of you who believe in Allah and the Last Day. That is better and purer for you. Allah knows and you do not know. (2:232)

Mothers should nurse their children for two full years—those who wish to complete the full term of nursing. It is the duty of the fathers to feed and clothe them with correctness and courtesy—no self is charged with more than it can bear. No mother should be put under pressure in respect of her child nor any father in respect of his child. The same duty is incumbent on the heir. If the couple both wish weaning to take place after

mutual agreement and consultation, there is nothing wrong in their doing that. If you wish to find wet-nurses for your children, there is nothing wrong in your doing that provided you hand over to them what you have agreed to give with correctness and courtesy. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah sees what you do. (2:233)

Those of you who die leaving wives behind: they should wait by themselves for four months and ten nights. When their waiting period comes to an end, you are not to blame for anything they do with themselves with correctness and courtesy. Allah is aware of what you do. (2:234)

Nor is there anything wrong in any allusion to marriage you make to a woman, nor for any you keep to yourself. Allah knows that you will say things to them. But do not make secret arrangements with them, rather only speak with correctness and courtesy. Do not finally decide on the marriage contract until the prescribed period has come to its end. Know that Allah knows what is in your selves, so beware of Him! And know that Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (2:235)

There is nothing wrong in your divorcing women before you have touched them or allotted a dowry to them. But give them a gift—he who is wealthy according to his means and he who is less well off according to his means—a gift to be given with correctness and courtesy: a duty for all good-doers. (2:236)

Those of you who die leaving wives behind should make a bequest to their wives of maintenance for a year without them having to leave their homes. But if they do leave you are not to blame for anything they do with themselves with correctness and courtesy. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:240)

Divorced women should receive maintenance given with correctness and courtesy: a duty for all who guard against evil. (2:241)

Do not hand over to the simple-minded any property of theirs for which Allah has made you responsible, but provide for them and clothe them out of it, and speak to them correctly and courteously. (4:5)

Keep a close check on orphans until they reach a marriageable age, then if you perceive that they

have sound judgement hand over their property to them. Do not consume it extravagantly and precipitately before they come of age. Those who are wealthy should abstain from it altogether. Those who are poor should use it sensibly and correctly. When you hand over their property to them ensure that there are witnesses on their behalf. Allah suffices as a Reckoner. (4:6) If other relatives or orphans or poor people attend the sharing-out, provide for them out of it and speak to them correctly and courteously. (4:8)

You who believe! It is not lawful for you to inherit women by force. Nor may you treat them harshly so that you can make off with part of what you have given them, unless they commit an act of flagrant indecency. Live together with them correctly and courteously. If you dislike them, it may well be that you dislike something in which Allah has placed a lot of good. (4:19) If any of you do not have the means to marry free women who are believers, you may marry slave-girls who are believers. Allah knows best about your faith; you are all the same in that respect. Marry them with their owners' permission and give them their dowries correctly and courteously as married women, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. When they are married, if they commit fornication they should receive half the punishment of free women. This is for those of you who are afraid of committing fornication. But being patient is better for you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:25)

We have instructed man concerning his parents. Bearing him caused his mother great debility and the period of his weaning was two years: 'Give thanks to Me and to your parents. I am your final destination. But if they try to make you associate something with Me about which you have no knowledge, do not obey them. Keep company with them correctly and courteously in this world but follow the Way of him who turns to Me. Then you will return to Me and I will inform you about the things you did.' (31:14-15)

The Prophet is closer to the believers than their own selves, and his wives are their mothers. But blood-relations have closer ties to one another in

the Book of Allah than other believers and the emigrants, except that you should act in a proper manner towards your close associates. That is inscribed in the Book. (33:6)

Then when they have reached the end of their waiting period either retain them with correctness and courtesy or part from them with correctness and courtesy. Call two upright men from among yourselves as witnesses and they should carry out the witnessing for Allah. This is admonishment for all who believe in Allah and the Last Day. Whoever has fear of Allah-He will give him a way out. (65:2)

Let them live where you live, according to your means. Do not put pressure on them, so as to harass them. If they are pregnant, maintain them until they give birth. If they are suckling for you, give them their wages and consult together with correctness and courtesy. But if you make things difficult for one another, another woman should do the suckling for you. (65:6)

## CORRUPTION

hen they are told, 'Do not cause corruption on the earth,' they say, 'We are only putting things right.' No indeed! They are the corrupters, but they are not aware of it. (2:11-12)

Those who break Allah's contract after it has been agreed, and sever what Allah has commanded to be joined, and cause corruption on the earth, it is they who are the lost. (2:27)

When your Lord said to the angels, 'I am putting an overlord on the earth,' they said, 'Why put on it one who will cause corruption on it and shed blood when we glorify You with praise and proclaim Your purity?' He said, 'I know what you do not know.' (2:30)

And when Musa was looking for water for his people, We said, 'Strike the rock with your staff.' Then twelve fountains gushed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. 'Eat and drink of Allah's provision and do not go about the earth corrupting it.' (2:60)

When he leaves you, he goes about the earth corrupting it, destroying crops and animals. Allah does not love corruption. (2:205)

... So We decreed for the tribe of Israel that if

someone kills another person—unless it is in retaliation for someone else or for causing corruption in the earth—it is as if he had murdered all mankind. And if anyone gives life to another person, it is as if he had given life to all mankind. Our Messengers came to them with Clear Signs but even after that many of them committed outrages in the earth. (5:32)

The reprisal against those who wage war on Allah and His Messenger, and go about the earth corrupting it, is that they should be killed or crucified, or have their alternate hands and feet cut off, or be banished from the land. That will be their degradation in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (5:33) The Jews say, ‘Allah’s hand is chained.’ Their hands are chained and they are cursed for what they say! No! Both His hands are open wide and He gives however He wills. What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of them in insolence and disbelief. We have incited enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising. Each time they kindle the fire of war, Allah extinguishes it. They rush about the earth corrupting it. Allah does not love corrupters. (5:64)

Do not corrupt the earth after it has been put right. Call on Him fearfully and eagerly. Allah’s mercy is close to the good-doers. (7:56)

(Salih said to his people,) ‘Remember when He appointed you successors to ‘Ad and settled you in the land. You built palaces on its plains and carved out houses from the mountains. Remember Allah’s blessings and do not go about the earth, corrupting it.’ (7:74)

And to Madyan We sent their brother Shu’ayb who said, ‘My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. A Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord. Give full measure and full weight. Do not diminish people’s goods. Do not cause corruption in the land after it has been put right. That is better for you if you are believers. Do not lie in wait on every pathway, threatening people, barring those who believe from the Way of Allah, seeking in it something crooked. Remember when you were few and He increased your number: see the final fate of the

corrupters!’ (7:85-86)

And then, after them, We sent Musa with Our Signs to Pharaoh and his ruling circle but they wrongfully rejected them. See the final fate of the corrupters! (7:103)

The ruling circle of Pharaoh’s people said, ‘Are you going to leave Musa and his people to cause corruption in the earth and abandon you and your gods?’ He said, ‘We will kill their sons and let their women live. We have absolute power over them!’ (7:127)

We set aside thirty nights for Musa and then completed them with ten, so the appointed time of his Lord was forty nights in all. Musa said to his brother Harun, ‘Take my place among my people. Keep order and do not follow the way of the corrupters.’ (7:142)

Those who disbelieve are the friends and protectors of one another. If you do not act in this way there will be turmoil in the land and great corruption. (8:73)

Among them there are some who believe in it and some who do not. Your Lord best knows the corrupters. (10:40)

When they had thrown, Musa said, ‘What you have brought is magic. Allah will certainly prove it false. Allah does not uphold the actions of corrupters.’ (10:81)

(Shu’ayb said,) ‘My people! Give full measure and full weight with justice; do not diminish people’s goods; and do not go about the earth, corrupting it.’ (11:85)

Would that there had been more people with a vestige of good among the generations of those who came before you, who forbade corruption in the earth, other than the few among them whom We saved. Those who did wrong gladly pursued the life of luxury that they were given and were evildoers. (11:116)

They said, ‘By Allah, you know we did not come to corrupt the land and that we are not thieves.’ (12:73)

But as for those who break Allah’s contract after it has been agreed and sever what Allah has commanded to be joined, and cause corruption in the earth, the curse will be upon them. They will have the Evil Abode. (13:25)

As for those who disbelieved and barred access to the way of Allah, We will heap punishment on top of their punishment because of the corruption they brought about. (16:88)

We decreed in the Book for the tribe of Israel: 'You will twice cause corruption on the earth and you will rise to a great height.' (17:4)

They said, 'Dhu'l-Qarnayn! Yajuj and Majuj are causing corruption in the land. Can we, therefore, pay tribute to you in return for your constructing a barrier between us and them?' (18:94) (Salih said to his people,) 'Do not obey the orders of the profligate, those who corrupt the earth and do not put things right.' (26:151-152)

Do not diminish people's goods and do not go about the earth, corrupting it. (26:183)

(His people said to Qarun,) 'Seek the abode of the hereafter with what Allah has given you, without forgetting your portion of this world. And do good as Allah has been good to you. And do not seek to cause corruption in the earth. Allah does not love corrupters.' (28:77)

That abode of the hereafter—We grant it to those who do not seek to exalt themselves in the earth or to cause corruption in it. The successful outcome is for those who guard against evil. (28:83)  
He (Lut) said, 'My Lord, help me against the people of corruption!' (29:30)

And to Madyan We sent their brother Shu'ayb, he said, 'My people, worship Allah and look to the Last Day and do not act unjustly on earth, corrupting it.' (29:36)

Would We make those who believe and do right actions the same as those who cause corruption on the earth? Would We make those who guard against evil the same as the dissolute? (38:28)  
Pharaoh said, 'Let me kill Musa and let him call upon his Lord! I am afraid that he may change your religion and bring about corruption in the land.' (40:26)

Is it not likely that, if you did turn away, you would cause corruption in the earth and sever your ties of kinship? (47:22)

Do you not see what your Lord did with 'Ad—Iram of the Columns whose like was not created in any land—and Thamud who carved out rocks in the valley-side, and Pharaoh of the

Stakes, all of whom were tyrants in their lands and caused much corruption in them? (89:6-12)

## COUCH

We will strip away any rancour in their hearts—brothers, resting on couches face-to-face. (15:47)

They will have Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them. They will be adorned in them with bracelets made of gold and wear green garments made of the finest silk and rich brocade, reclining there on couches under canopies. What an excellent reward! What a wonderful repose! (18:31)

The Companions of the Garden are busy enjoying themselves today, they and their wives reclining on couches in the shade. (36:55-56)

They will have preordained provision: sweet fruits and high honour in Gardens of Delight on couches face to face; (37:41-44)

We tested Sulayman and placed a lifeless body on his throne. Then he repented. (38:34)

They will recline on couches ranged in rows and We will marry them to dark-eyed maidens. (52:20)

They will be reclining on couches lined with rich brocade, the fruits of the Gardens hanging close to hand. (55:54)

On sumptuous woven couches, reclining on them face to face. (56:15-16)

Reclining in it on couches, they will experience there neither burning sun nor bitter cold. (76:13)

The truly good will be in perfect Bliss on couches gazing in wonder. (83:22-23)

So today those who believe are laughing at the disbelievers, on couches, gazing in wonder. (83:34-35)

In it is a gushing spring and raised-up couches, (88:12-13)

## COUNSEL

He (Nuh) said, 'My people, I am not in error at all but rather am a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds, transmitting my Lord's Message to you and giving you good counsel, and I know from Allah what you do not know.' (7:61-62)

He (Hud) said, 'My people, I am by no means a

fool, but rather am a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds, transmitting my Lord's Message to you, and I am a faithful counsellor to you. (7:67-68)

He turned away from them and said, 'My people, I transmitted my Lord's message to you and gave you good counsel. However, you do not like good counsellors!' (7:79)

So he turned away from them and said, 'My people, I transmitted My Lord's message to you and gave you good counsel. Why should I grieve for a disbelieving people?' (7:93)

(Nuh said,) 'My counsel will not benefit you, for all my desire to counsel you, if Allah desires to lead you into error. He is your Lord and you will return to Him.' (11:34)

## COVENANT

Remember when We made the covenant with you and lifted up the Mount above your heads: 'Take hold vigorously of what We have given you and pay heed to what is in it, so that hopefully you will guard against evil.' (2:63)

Remember when We made a covenant with the tribe of Israel: 'Worship none but Allah and be good to your parents and to relatives and orphans and the very poor. And speak good words to people. And perform prayer and give the alms.' But then you turned away—except a few of you—you turned aside. (2:83)

And when We made a covenant with you not to shed your blood and not to expel one another from your homes, you agreed and were all witnesses. (2:84)

Remember when We made a covenant with you and lifted up the Mount above your heads: 'Take hold vigorously of what We have given you and listen.' They said, 'We hear and disobey.' They were made to drink the Calf into their hearts because of their disbelief. Say, 'If you are believers, what an evil thing your faith has made you do.' (2:93)

Remember when Allah made a covenant with the Prophets: 'Now that We have given you a share of the Book and Wisdom, and then a messenger comes to you confirming what is with you, you must believe in him and help him.' He

asked, 'Do you agree and undertake my commission on that condition?' They replied, 'We agree.' He said, 'Bear witness, then. I am with you as one of the witnesses.' (3:81)

Allah made a covenant with those given the Book: 'You must make it clear to people and not conceal it.' But they toss it in disdain behind their backs and sell it for a paltry price. What an evil sale they make! (3:187)

Remember Allah's blessing to you and the covenant He made with you when you said, 'We hear and we obey.' Have fear of Allah. Allah knows what the heart contains. (5:7)

Allah made a covenant with the tribe of Israel and We raised up twelve leaders from among them. Allah said, 'I am with you. If you perform prayer and give the alms, and believe in My Messengers and respect and support them, and make a generous loan to Allah, I will erase your wrong actions from you and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Any of you who disbelieve after that have gone astray from the right way.' (5:12)

But because of their breaking of their covenant, We have cursed them and made their hearts hard. They distort the true meaning of words and have forgotten a good portion of what they were reminded of. You will never cease to come upon some act of treachery on their part, except for a few of them. Yet pardon them, and overlook. Allah loves good-doers. (5:13)

We also made a covenant with those who say, 'We are Christians,' and they too forgot a good portion of what they were reminded of. So We stirred up enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising when Allah will inform them about what they did. (5:14)

We made a covenant with the tribe of Israel and We sent Messengers to them. Each time a Messenger came to them with something their lower selves did not desire, they denied some and they murdered others. (5:70)

An evil generation has succeeded them, inheriting the Book, taking the goods of this lower world, and saying, 'We will be forgiven.' But if similar goods come to them again they still take them. Has not a covenant been made with them

in the Book, that they should only say the truth about Allah and have they not studied what is in it? The Final Abode is better for those who guard against evil. Will you not use your intellect? (7:169)

### **COVER ON HEART**

Some of them listen to you but We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. Though they see every Sign, they still have no faith, so that when they come to you, disputing with you, those who disbelieve say, 'This is nothing but the myths of previous peoples!' (6:25) We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. When you mention your Lord alone in the Qur'an, they turn their backs and run away. (17:46)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who is reminded of the Signs of his Lord and then turns away from them, forgetting all that he has done before? We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. Though you call them to guidance, they will nonetheless never be guided. (18:57)

They say, 'Our hearts are covered up against what you call us to and there is a heaviness in our ears. There is a screen between us and you. So act—we are certainly acting.' (41:5)

### **COVERING**

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Children of Adam! Do not let Satan tempt you into trouble as He expelled your parents from the Garden, stripping them of their covering and disclosing to them their private parts. He and his

tribe see you from where you do not see them. We have made the Satans friends of those who have no faith. (7:27)

They will have Hell as a resting-place and covering layers on top of them. That is how We repay wrongdoers. (7:41)

It is He Who created you from a single self and made from him his spouse so that he might find repose in her. Then when he covered her she bore a light load and carried it around. Then when it became heavy they called on Allah, their Lord, 'If You grant us a healthy child, we will be among the thankful!' (7:189)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who is reminded of the Signs of his Lord and then turns away from them, forgetting all that he has done before? We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. Though you call them to guidance, they will nonetheless never be guided. (18:57)

Say to the believing women that they should lower their eyes and guard their private parts and not display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands' fathers, or their sons or their husbands' sons or their brothers or their brothers' sons or their sisters' sons or other women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children who still have no awareness of women's private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

They say, 'Our hearts are covered up against what you call us to and there is a heaviness in our ears. There is a screen between us and you. So act—we are certainly acting.' (41:5)

(On the Day of Threat, they will be told,) 'You were heedless of this so We have stripped you of your covering and today your sight is sharp.' (50:22)

And (I swear by) the self and what proportioned it and inspired it with depravity or sense of duty, he

who purifies it has succeeded, he who covers it up has failed. (91:7-10)

### COW

And when Musa said to his people, 'Allah commands you to sacrifice a cow,' they said, 'What! Are you making a mockery of us?' He said, 'I seek refuge with Allah from being one of the ignorant!' They said, 'Ask your Lord to make it clear to us what it should be like.' He said, 'He says it should be a cow, not old or virgin, but somewhere between the two. So do as you have been told.' They said, 'Ask your Lord to make it clear to us what colour it should be.' He said, 'He says it should be a yellow cow, a pleasure to all who look.' They said, 'Ask your Lord to make it clear to us what it should be like. Cows are all much the same to us. Then, if Allah wills, we will be guided.' He said, 'He says it should be a cow not trained to plough or irrigate the fields—completely sound, without a blemish on it.' They said, 'Now you have brought the truth.' So they sacrificed it—but they almost did not do it. (2:67-71)

The King declared, 'I dreamt of seven fat cows which seven thin ones ate and seven green ears of wheat and seven others which were dry. O counsellors! Explain my dream to me if you are those who can interpret visions!' They said, 'A jumbled mass of mixed-up dreams! We do not know the meaning of such things.' The one of them who had been saved then said, remembering after a period, 'I will tell you what it signifies, so send me out.' 'O truthful Yusuf, tell us of seven fat cows which seven thin ones ate and seven green ears of wheat and seven others which were dry so that I can return to them and let them know.' (12:43-46)

### COWARDICE

You who believe! Do not be like those who disbelieve and say of their brothers, when they are going on journeys or military expeditions, 'If they had only been with us, they would not have died or been killed,' so that Allah can make that anguish for them in their hearts. It is Allah Who gives life and causes to die. Allah sees what you

do. (3:156)

Among you there are people who hang back and if you encounter a setback then they say, 'Allah has blessed me in that I was not there with them.' (4:72)

But if you meet with favour from Allah they say—as if there were no friendship between you and them—'Oh! If only I had been with them so that I too might have won a great victory.' (4:73) You who believe! When you encounter those who disbelieve advancing in massed ranks into battle, do not turn your backs on them. (8:15)

Anyone who turns his back on them that day, unless he is withdrawing to rejoin the fight or withdrawing to support another group, brings Allah's anger down upon himself. His refuge is Hell. What an evil destination! (8:16)

Those who believe in Allah and the Last Day do not ask you to excuse them from striving with their wealth and themselves. Allah knows the people who guard against evil. (9:44)

Among them are there some who say, 'Give me permission to stay. Do not put temptation in my way.' Have they not fallen into that very temptation? Hell hems in the disbelievers. (9:49)

They swear by Allah that they are of your number, but they are not of your number. Rather, they are people who are scared. (9:56)

If they could find a bolt-hole, cave or burrow, they would turn and scurry away into it. (9:57)

### CRADLE

(The angels said to Maryam,) 'He ('Isa) will speak to people in the cradle, and also when fully grown, and will be one of the righteous.' (3:46)

Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to your mother when I reinforced you with the Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth the dead by My permission; and when I held

back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but downright magic"; (5:110)

She pointed towards him. They said, 'How can a baby in the cradle speak?' (19:29)

It is He Who made the earth a cradle for you and threaded pathways for you through it and sent down water from the sky by which We have brought forth various different types of plants. (20:53)

It is He Who made the earth a cradle for you and made pathways for you in it so that hopefully you would be guided. (43:10)

### **CREATION OF THE UNIVERSE**

He is the Originator of the heavens and the earth. How could He have a son when He has no wife? He created all things and He has knowledge of all things. (6:101)

Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then settled Himself firmly on the Throne. He covers the day with the night, each pursuing the other urgently; and the sun and moon and stars are subservient to His command. Both creation and command belong to Him. Blessed be Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (7:54)

Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then established Himself firmly on the Throne. He directs the whole affair. No one can intercede except with His permission. That is Allah your Lord, so worship Him. Will you not pay heed? (10:3)

It is He Who appointed the sun to give radiance, and the moon to give light, assigning it phases so you would know the number of years and the reckoning of time. Allah did not create these things except with truth. We make the Signs clear for people who know. (10:5)

It is He Who created the heavens and the earth in six days when His Throne was on the water, in order to test which of you has the best actions. If you say, 'You will be raised up after death,' those who disbelieve will say, 'This is nothing but downright magic.' (11:7)

Do you not see that Allah has created the heav-

ens and the earth with truth? If He wished He could eliminate you and bring about a new creation. (14:19)

We did not create the heavens and earth and everything between them, except with truth. The Hour is certainly coming, so turn away graciously. (15:85)

He created the heavens and the earth with truth. He is exalted above anything they associate with Him. (16:3)

Do those who disbelieve not see that the heavens and the earth were sewn together and then We unstitched them and that We made from water every living thing? So will they not believe? (21:30)

He Who created the heavens and the earth and everything in between them in six days, and then established Himself firmly on the Throne; the All-Merciful—ask anyone who is informed about Him. (25:59)

Allah created the heavens and the earth with truth. There is certainly a Sign in that for the believers. (29:44)

Have they not reflected within themselves? Allah did not create the heavens and the earth and everything between them except with truth and for a fixed term. Yet many people reject the meeting with their Lord. (30:8)

Allah is He Who created the heavens and the earth and everything between them in six days and then established Himself firmly upon the Throne. You have no protector or intercessor apart from Him. So will you not pay heed? (32:4) He created the heavens and the earth with truth. He wraps the night around the day and wraps the day around the night, and has made the sun and moon subservient, each one running for a specified term. Is He not indeed the Almighty, the Endlessly Forgiving? (39:5)

Then He turned to heaven when it was smoke and said to it and to the earth, 'Come willingly or unwillingly.' They both said, 'We come willingly.' (41:11)

In two days He determined them as seven heavens and revealed, in every heaven, its own mandate. We adorned the lowest heaven with lamps and guarded it. That is the decree of the

Almighty, the All-Knowing. (41:12)

We did not create them except with truth but most of them do not know it. (44:39)

We have not created the heavens and earth and everything between them except with truth and for a set term. But those who disbelieve turn away from what they have been warned about. (46:3)

We created the heavens and the earth, and everything between them, in six days and We were not affected by fatigue. (50:38)

It is He Who created the heavens and the earth in six days, then established Himself firmly on the Throne. He knows what goes into the earth and what comes out of it, what comes down from heaven and what goes up into it. He is with you wherever you are—Allah sees what you do. (57:4) It is Allah Who created the seven heavens and of the earth the same number, the Command descending down through all of them, so that you might know that Allah has power over all things and that Allah encompasses all things in His knowledge. (65:12)

## CREATURE

In the creation of the heavens and earth, and the alternation of the night and day, and the ships which sail the seas to people's benefit, and the water which Allah sends down from the sky—by which He brings the earth to life when it was dead and scatters about in it creatures of every kind—and the varying direction of the winds, and the clouds subservient between heaven and earth, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (2:164)

There is no creature crawling on the earth or flying creature, flying on its wings, who are not communities just like yourselves—We have not omitted anything from the Book—then they will be gathered to their Lord. (6:38)

There is no creature on the earth which is not dependent upon Allah for its provision. He knows where it lives and where it dies. They are all in a Clear Book. (11:6)

(Hud said,) 'I have put my trust in Allah, my Lord and your Lord. There is no creature He does not hold by the forelock. My Lord is on a Straight

Path.' (11:56)

Everything in the heavens and every creature on the earth prostrates to Allah, as do the angels. They are not puffed up with pride. (16:49)

If Allah were to punish people for their wrong actions, not a single creature would be left upon the earth, but He defers them till a predetermined time. When their specified time arrives, they cannot delay it for a single hour nor can they bring it forward. (16:61)

He (Satan) said, 'Do you see this creature you have honoured over me? If You reprove me till the Day of Rising, I will be the master of his descendants except for a very few.' (17:62)

Then (He) formed the drop into a clot and formed the clot into a lump and formed the lump into bones and clothed the bones in flesh; and then brought him into being as another creature. Blessed be Allah, the Best of Creators! (23:14)

(Shu'ayb said,) 'Have fear of Him Who created you and the earlier creatures.' (26:184)

How many creatures do not carry their provision with them! Allah provides for them and He will for you. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing. (29:60)

It is Allah Who created the heavens with no support—you can see them—and cast firmly embedded mountains on the earth so that it would not move under you, and scattered about in it creatures of every kind. And We send down water from the sky and make every generous species grow in it. (31:10)

If Allah were to take mankind to task for what they have earned, He would not leave a single creature crawling on it, but He is deferring them until a specified time. Then, when their time comes, Allah sees His servants! (35:45)

Among His Signs is the creation of the heavens and earth and all the creatures He has spread about in them. And He has the power to gather them together whenever He wills. (42:29)

They have assigned to Him a portion of His creatures! Truly man is openly ungrateful. (43:15)

And in your creation and all the creatures He has spread about there are Signs for people with certainty. (45:4)

He laid out the earth for all living creatures. (55:10)

The People of the Book who disbelieve and the idolaters will be in the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. They are the worst of creatures. (98:6)

But those who believe and do right actions—they are the best of creatures. (98:7)

### **CRIME**

He has only forbidden you carrion, blood and pork and what has been consecrated to other than Allah. But anyone who is forced to eat it—without desiring it or going to excess in it—commits no crime. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:173)

Then if anyone alters it after hearing it, the crime is on the part of those who alter it. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (2:181)

But if someone fears bias or wrongdoing on the part of the person making the will, and puts things right between the people involved, in that case he has not committed any crime. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:182)

Do not devour one another's property by false means nor offer it to the judges as a bribe, trying through crime to knowingly usurp a portion of other people's property. (2:188)

If you are on a journey and cannot find a writer, something can be left as a security. If you leave things on trust with one another the one who is trusted must deliver up his trust and have fear of Allah, his Lord. Do not conceal testimony. If someone does conceal it, his heart commits a crime. Allah knows what you do. (2:283)

Give orphans their property, and do not substitute bad things for good. Do not assimilate their property into your own. Doing that is a serious crime. (4:2)

If you desire to exchange one wife for another and have given your original wife a large amount, do not take any of it. Would you take it by means of slander and outright crime? (4:20)

Allah does not forgive anything being associated with Him but He forgives whoever He wills for anything other than that. Anyone who associates something with Allah has committed a terrible crime. (4:48)

Or do they say, 'He has invented it'? Say: 'If I

have invented it the crime will be laid at my door, but I am innocent of the crimes which you commit.' (11:35)

You who believe! Avoid most suspicion. Indeed some suspicion is a crime. And do not spy and do not backbite one another. Would any of you like to eat his brother's dead flesh? No, you would hate it. And have fear of Allah. Allah is Ever-Returning, Most Merciful. (49:12)

when the baby girl buried alive is asked for what crime she was killed, (81:8-9)

### **CROPS**

When he leaves you, he goes about the earth corrupting it, destroying crops and animals. Allah does not love corruption. (2:205)

The metaphor of what they spend in their life in this world is that of a wind with an icy bite to it which strikes the crops of a people who have wronged themselves and destroys them. Allah did not wrong them; rather it was themselves they were wronging. (3:117)

They assign to Allah a share of the crops and livestock He has created, saying, 'This is for Allah,'—as they allege—and this is for our idols.' Their idols' share does not reach Allah whereas Allah's share reaches their idols! What an evil judgement they make! (6:136)

They say, 'These animals and crops are sacrosanct. No one may eat them except those we wish,'—as they allege—and animals on whose backs it is forbidden to ride, and animals over which they do not mention Allah's name, inventing falsehood against Him. He will repay them for the things they have invented. (6:138)

It is He Who produces gardens, both cultivated and wild, and palm-trees and crops of diverse kinds, and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Eat of their fruits when they bear fruit and pay their due on the day of their harvest, and do not be profligate. He does not love the profligate. (6:141)

And by it He makes crops grow for you and olives and dates and grapes and fruit of every kind. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who reflect. (16:11)

Make an example for them of two men. To one of

them We gave two gardens of grape-vines and surrounded them with date-palms, putting between them some cultivated land. Both gardens yielded their crops and did not suffer any loss, and We made a river flow right through the middle of them. (18:32-33)

But if We send a wind, and they see it (the crop) turning yellow, still they persist after that in disbelieving. (30:51)

Do they not see how We drive water to barren land and bring forth crops by it which their livestock and they themselves both eat? So will they not see? (32:27)

Do you not see that Allah sends down water from the sky and threads it through the earth to emerge as springs and then by it brings forth crops of varying colours, which then wither and you see them turning yellow and then He makes them into broken stubble? There is a reminder in that for people of intelligence. (39:21)

How many gardens and fountains they (Pharaoh and his troops) left behind, and ripe crops and noble residences. (44:25-26)

If We wished We could have made it broken stubble. You would then be left devoid of crops, distraught. (56:65)

## CROW

Then Allah sent a crow which scratched at the earth to show him how to conceal his brother's corpse. He said, 'Woe is me! Can I not even be like this crow and conceal my brother's corpse?' And he became one of those who suffer bitter remorse. (5:31)

## CRUSHING BLOW

Thamud and 'Ad denied the Crushing Blow. (69:4)

## CUCUMBER

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces--its green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,' he said, 'Do you want to replace what is better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.'

Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon themselves. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

## CULTIVATION

It is He Who produces gardens, both cultivated and wild, and palm-trees and crops of diverse kinds, and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Eat of their fruits when they bear fruit and pay their due on the day of their harvest, and do not be profligate. He does not love the profligate. (6:141)

In the earth there are diverse regions side by side and gardens of grapes and cultivated fields, and palm-trees sharing one root and others with individual roots, all watered with the same water. And We make some things better to eat than others. There are Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (13:4)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord! I have settled some of my offspring by Your Sacred House in an uncultivated valley. Our Lord! Let them perform prayer! Make the hearts of mankind incline towards them and provide them with fruits, so that hopefully they will be thankful.' (14:37)

Make an example for them of two men. To one of them We gave two gardens of grape-vines and surrounded them with date-palms, putting between them some cultivated land. (18:32)

Are you going to be left secure amid what is here, amid gardens and clear springs, and cultivated fields and palms with supple spathes? (26:146-148)

Have they not travelled in the earth and seen the final fate of those before them? They had greater strength than them and cultivated the land and inhabited it in far greater numbers than they do. Their Messengers also came to them with the Clear Signs. Allah would never have wronged them; but they wronged themselves. (30:9)

If anyone desires to cultivate the hereafter, We will increase him in his cultivation. If anyone desires to cultivate this world, We will give him some of it but he will have no share in the here-

after. (42:20)

Have you thought about what you cultivate? (56:63)

Know that the life of this world is merely a game and a diversion and ostentation and a cause of boasting among yourselves and trying to outdo one another in wealth and children: like the plant-growth after rain which delights the cultivators, but then it withers and you see it turning yellow, and then it becomes broken stubble. In the hereafter there is terrible punishment but also forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure. The life of this world is nothing but the enjoyment of delusion. (57:20)

## CUP

(In Gardens of Delight, believers will have) a cup from a flowing spring passing round among them. (37:45)

They will pass round there a drinking cup to one another with no foolish talk and no wrong action in it. (52:23)

There will circulate among them, ageless youths, carrying goblets and decanters and a cup from a flowing spring. (56:17-18)

The truly good will drink from a cup mixed with the coolness of camphor. (76:5)

They will be given there a cup to drink mixed with the warmth of ginger. (76:17)

For those who guard against evil there is triumph: Gardens and grape vines, and nubile maidens of similar age, and an overflowing cup. (78:31-34)

## CURSE

They say, ‘Our hearts are uncircumcised.’ Rather, Allah has cursed them for their disbelief. Very few of them believe! (2:88)

When a Book does come to them from Allah, confirming what is with them (Torah)—even though before that they were praying for victory over the disbelievers—yet when what they recognise does come to them, they reject it. Allah’s curse is on the disbelievers. (2:89)

Those who hide the Clear Signs and Guidance We have sent down, after We have made it clear to people in the Book, Allah curses them, and the cursers curse them. (2:159)

But as for those who disbelieve and die while they are disbelievers, the curse of Allah is upon them and that of the angels and all mankind. (2:161)

If anyone argues with you about him after the knowledge that has come to you, say, ‘Come then! Let us summon our sons and your sons, our women and your women, ourselves and yourselves. Then let us make earnest supplication and call down the curse of Allah upon the liars.’ (3:61)

The repayment of such people is that Allah’s curse is on them and that of the angels and of all mankind. (3:87)

Some of the Jews distort the true meaning of words, saying, ‘We hear and disobey,’ and ‘Listen without listening,’ and ‘Listen to us!’ twisting them with their tongues, disparaging the religion. If they had said, ‘We hear and we obey,’ and ‘Listen,’ and, ‘Look at us!’ that would have been better for them and more upright. But Allah has cursed them for their disbelief. Very few of them believe. (4:46)

You who have been given the Book! Believe in what We have sent down confirming what is with you (Torah and Gospel), before We obliterate faces, turning them inside out, or We curse you as We cursed the Companions of the Sabbath. Allah’s command is always carried out. (4:47)

Those are the ones Allah has cursed. And if someone is cursed by Allah you will not find any one to help him. (4:52)

As for anyone who kills a believer deliberately, his repayment is Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. Allah is angry with him and has cursed him, and has prepared for him a terrible punishment. (4:93)

What they call on apart from Him are female idols. What they call on is an arrogant Satan whom Allah has cursed. He said, ‘I will take a certain fixed proportion of Your servants.’ (4:117-118)

But because of their breaking of their covenant, We have cursed them and made their hearts hard. They distort the true meaning of words and have forgotten a good portion of what they were reminded of. You will never cease to come upon

some act of treachery on their part, except for a few of them. Yet pardon them, and overlook. Allah loves good-doers. (5:13)

Say: 'Shall I tell you of a reward with Allah far worse than that: that of those whom Allah has cursed and with whom He is angry—turning some of them into monkeys and into pigs—and who worshipped false gods? Such people are in a worse situation and further from the right way.' (5:60)

The Jews say, 'Allah's hand is chained.' Their hands are chained and they are cursed for what they say! No! Both His hands are open wide and He gives however He wills. What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of them in insolence and disbelief. We have incited enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising. Each time they kindle the fire of war, Allah extinguishes it. They rush about the earth corrupting it. Allah does not love corrupters. (5:64)

Those among the tribe of Israel who disbelieved were cursed on the tongue of Dawud and that of 'Isa, son of Maryam. That is because they rebelled and overstepped the limits. (5:78)

He will say, 'Enter the Fire together with the nations of jinn and men who have passed away before you.' Each time a nation enters, it will curse its sister nation, until, when they are all gathered together in it, the last of them will say to the first, 'Our Lord, those are the ones who misguided us, so give them a double punishment in the Fire.'

He will say, 'Each will receive double. But you do not know it.' (7:38)

The Companions of the Garden will call out to the Companions of the Fire, 'We have found that what our Lord promised us is true. Have you found that what your Lord promised you is true?' They will say, 'Yes, we have!' Between them a herald will proclaim: 'May the curse of Allah be on the wrongdoers.' (7:44)

Allah has promised the men and women of the hypocrites and disbelievers the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. It will suffice them. Allah has cursed them. They will have everlasting punishment. (9:68)

Who could do greater wrong than those who in-

vent lies against Allah? Such people will be arrayed before their Lord and the witnesses will say, 'Those are the ones who lied against their Lord.' Yes indeed! Allah's curse is on the wrongdoers. (11:18)

They were pursued by a curse in this world and on the Day of Rising. Yes indeed! 'Ad rejected their Lord, so away with 'Ad, the people of Hud! (11:60)

They are pursued by a curse in this world and on the Day of Rising. What an evil gift to be given! (11:99)

But as for those who break Allah's contract after it has been agreed and sever what Allah has commanded to be joined, and cause corruption in the earth, the curse will be upon them. They will have the Evil Abode. (13:25)

(Allah said to Satan,) 'The curse will be on you till the Day of Reckoning.' (15:35)

When We said to you, 'Surely your Lord encompasses the people with His knowledge.' We only appointed the vision We showed you and the Accursed Tree in the Qur'an as a trial and temptation for the people. We frighten them, but it only increases them in their excessive insolence. (17:60)

Those who make an accusation against their wives and have no witnesses except themselves, such people should testify four times by Allah that they are telling the truth and a fifth time that Allah's curse will be upon them if they are lying. (24:6-7)

Those who accuse chaste believing women, unaware (of the evil), are cursed both in this world and the hereafter, and they will have a terrible punishment. (24:23)

We pursued them with a curse in this world and on the Day of Rising they will be hideous and spurned. (28:42)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'You have adopted idols apart from Allah as tokens of mutual affection in this world. But then on the Day of Rising you will reject one another and curse one another. The Fire will be your shelter. You will have no helpers.' (29:25)

As for those who abuse Allah and His Messenger, Allah's curse is on them in this world and the

hereafter. He has prepared a humiliating punishment for them. (33:57)

They are an accursed people. Wherever they are found they should be seized and mercilessly put to death. (33:61)

Allah has cursed the disbelievers and prepared a Searing Blaze for them. (33:64)

And they (the disbelievers) will say, 'Our Lord, we obeyed our masters and great men and they misguided us from the Way. Our Lord, give them double the punishment and curse them many times over!' (33:67-68)

(Allah said to Satan,) 'My curse is upon you until the Day of Reckoning.' (38:78)

(On) the Day when the excuses of the wrongdoers will not help them. The curse will be on them and they will have the most evil Home. (40:52)

Such are the people Allah has cursed, making them deaf and blinding their eyes. (47:23)

And so that He might punish the men and women of the hypocrites and the men and women of the idolaters--those who think bad thoughts about Allah. They will suffer an evil turn of fate. Allah is angry with them, and has cursed them and prepared Hell for them. What an evil destination! (48:6)

## CUSHION

(In the Garden are) lined-up cushions... (88:15)

It is He Who created you from earth, then from a drop of sperm, then from a clot of blood, then He brings you out as infants, then so you may achieve full strength, then so you may become old men--though some of you may die before that time--so that you may reach a predetermined age and so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (40:67)

## CUSTODIAN

Those who disbelieve will be driven to Hell in companies and when they arrive there and its gates are opened its custodians will say to them, 'Did Messengers from yourselves not come to you, reciting your Lord's Signs to you and warning you of the meeting on this Day of yours?' They will say, 'Indeed they did, but the decree of punishment is justly carried out against the disbelievers.' (39:71)

And those who have fear of their Lord will be driven to the Garden in companies and when they arrive there, finding its gates open, its custodians will say to them, 'Peace be upon you! You have done well so enter it timelessly, for ever.' (39:73)

Those in the Fire will say to the custodians of Hell, 'Call on your Lord to make the punishment less for us for just one day.' (40:49)

It all but bursts with rage. Each time a group is flung into it its custodians will question them: 'Did no warner come to you?' (67:8)

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## DABBATUL ARDH (SEE BEAST OF THE EARTH)

### DATE PALM

Would any of you like to have a garden of dates and grapes, with rivers flowing underneath and containing all kinds of fruits, then to be stricken with old age and have children who are weak, and then for a fierce whirlwind containing fire to come and strike it so that it goes up in flames? In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect. (2:266)

It is He Who sends down water from the sky from which We bring forth growth of every kind, and from that We bring forth the green shoots and from them We bring forth close-packed seeds, and from the spathes of the date palm date clusters hanging down, and gardens of grapes and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Look at their fruits as they bear fruit and ripen. There are Signs in that for people who believe. (6:99)

It is He Who produces gardens, both cultivated and wild, and palm-trees and crops of diverse kinds, and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Eat of their fruits when they bear fruit and pay their due on the day of their harvest, and do not be profligate. He does not love the profligate. (6:141)

In the earth there are diverse regions side by side and gardens of grapes and cultivated fields, and palm-trees sharing one root and others with individual roots, all watered with the same water. And We make some things better to eat than others. There are Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (13:4)

And by it He makes crops grow for you and olives and dates and grapes and fruit of every kind. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who reflect. (16:11)

And from the fruit of the date-palm and the grape-vine you derive both intoxicants and wholesome provision. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who use their intellect. (16:67)

They say, 'We will not believe you until you

make a spring gush out from the earth for us; or have a garden of dates and grapes which you make rivers come pouring through.' (17:90-91)

Make an example for them of two men. To one of them We gave two gardens of grape-vines and surrounded them with date-palms, putting between them some cultivated land. (18:32)

The pains of labour drove her to the trunk of a date-palm. She (Maryam) said, 'Oh if only I had died before this time and was something discarded and forgotten!' (19:23)

(A voice called out to Maryam,) 'Shake the trunk of the palm towards you and fresh, ripe dates will drop down onto you.' (19:25)

Pharaoh said, 'Do you believe in him before I have authorised you? He is your chief, the one who taught you magic. I will cut off your hands and feet alternately and have you crucified on palm trunks. Then you will know for certain which of us has the harsher and longer lasting punishment.' (20:71)

By means of it We produce gardens of dates and grapes for you, in which there are many fruits for you and from which you eat. (23:19)

Are you going to be left secure amid what is here, amid gardens and clear springs, and cultivated fields and palms with supple spathes? (26:146-148)

We place in it gardens of dates and grapes, and cause springs to gush out in it. (36:34)

And We have decreed set phases for the moon, until it ends up looking like an old palm spathe. (36:39)

And We sent down blessed water from the sky and made gardens grow by it and grain for harvesting and soaring date-palms with layered spathes, as provision for Our servants; by it We brought a dead land to life. That is how the Emergence will take place. (50:9-11)

In it are fruits and date-palms with covered spathes. (55:11)

In them are fruits and date-palms and pomegranates. (55:68)

Whatever palm-trees you cut down, or left standing upright on their roots, it was done by Allah's permission in order to disgrace the deviators. (59: 5)

Allah subjected them to it for seven whole nights and eight whole days without a break. You could see the people flattened in their homes just like the hollow stumps of uprooted palms. (69:7) And (We make) olives and dates grow. (80:29) In it are fruits and date-palms with covered spathes. (55:11)

## **DAUGHTER**

Forbidden for you are: your mothers and your daughters and your sisters, your maternal aunts and your paternal aunts, your brothers' daughters and your sisters' daughters, your foster mothers who have suckled you, your foster sisters by suckling, your wives' mothers, your stepdaughters who are under your protection: the daughters of your wives whom you have had sexual relations with (though if you have not had sexual relations with them there is nothing blameworthy for you in it then), the wives of your sons whom you have fathered, and marrying two sisters at the same time—except for what may have already taken place. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:23)

Yet they make the jinn co-partners with Allah when He created them! And they attribute sons and daughters to Him without any knowledge. Glory be to Him! He is far above what they describe! (6:100)

His people came running to him excitedly—they were long used to committing evil acts. He (Lut) said, ‘My people, here are my daughters. They are purer for you. So have fear of Allah and do not shame me with my guests. Is there not one rightly-guided man among you?’ (11:78)

They said, ‘You know we have no claim on your daughters. You know very well what it is we want.’ (11:79)

He (Lut) said, ‘Here are my daughters if you are determined to do something.’ (15:71)

They allot daughters to Allah—glory be to Him!—while they have what they want! (16:57)

He said (to Musa), ‘I would like to marry you to one of these two daughters of mine on condition that you work for me for eight full years. If you complete ten, that is up to you. I do not want to be hard on you. You will find me, Allah willing,

to be one of the righteous.’ (28:27)  
O Prophet! We have made lawful for you: your wives to whom you have given dowries and any slavegirls you own from the booty Allah has allotted you and the daughters of your paternal uncles and the daughters of your paternal aunts and the daughters of your maternal uncles and the daughters of your maternal aunts who have migrated with you and any believing woman who gives herself to the Prophet if the Prophet desires to marry her: exclusively for you as opposed to the rest of the believers—We know very well what We have prescribed for them regarding their wives and any slavegirls they possess—in order that there be no restriction on you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:50)

O Prophet! Tell your wives and daughters and the women of the believers to draw their outer garments closely round themselves. This makes it more likely that they will be recognised and not be harmed. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:59)

Has He chosen daughters over sons? (37:153)

Has He then taken daughters from what He has created and chosen sons for you? (43:16)

Or does He have daughters whereas they have sons? (52:39)

And Maryam, the daughter of ‘Imran, who guarded her chastity—We breathed Our Spirit into her and she confirmed the Words of her Lord and His Book and was one of the obedient. (66:12)

## **DAVID (SEE DAWUD (AS))**

## **DAWN**

On the night of the fast it is lawful for you to have sexual relations with your wives. They are clothing for you and you for them. Allah knows that you have been betraying yourselves and He has turned towards you and excused you. Now you may have sexual intercourse with them and seek what Allah has written for you. Eat and drink until you can clearly discern the white thread from the black thread of the dawn, then fulfil the fast until the night appears. But do not have sexual intercourse with them while you are in retreat in the mosques. These are Allah's limits, so do

not go near them. In this way does Allah make His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (2:187)

(His servants are) the steadfast, the truthful, the obedient, the givers, and those who seek forgiveness before dawn. (3:17)

He (Zakariyya) said, 'My Lord, appoint a Sign for me.' He said, 'Your Sign is that you will not speak to people for three days, except by gesture. Remember your Lord much and glorify Him in the evening and after dawn.' (3:41)

It is He Who splits the sky at dawn, and appoints the night as a time of stillness and the sun and moon as a means of reckoning. That is what the Almighty, the All-Knowing has ordained. (6:96) Perform prayer from the time the sun declines until the darkening of the night, and also the recitation at dawn. The dawn recitation is certainly witnessed. (17:78)

You who believe! Those you own as slaves and those of you who have not yet reached puberty should ask your permission to enter at three times: before the Dawn Prayer, when you have undressed at noon, and after the Prayer of Night—three times of nakedness for you. There is nothing wrong for you or them at other times in moving around among yourselves from one to another. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (24:58) And they (the people who guard against evil) would seek forgiveness before the dawn. (51:18) We unleashed a sudden squall of stones against all of them, except the family of Lut, who We rescued before dawn. (54:34)

And (I swear by) the dawn when it grows bright. (74:34)

And (I swear) by the dawn when it exhales. (81:18)

By the dawn. (89:1)

It (the Night of Power) is Peace—until the coming of the dawn. (97:5)

By the charging horses panting hard, striking sparks from their flashing hooves, raiding at full gallop in the early dawn. (100:1-3)

## **DAWUD (AS) (DAVID)**

When Talut marched out with the army, he said,

'Allah will test you with a river. Anyone who drinks from it is not with me. But anyone who does not taste it is with me—except for him who merely scoops up a little in his hand.' But they drank from it—except for a few of them. Then when he and those who believed with him had crossed it, they said, 'We do not have the strength to face Goliath and his troops today.' But those who were sure that they were going to meet Allah said, 'How many a small force has triumphed over a much greater one by Allah's permission! Allah is with the steadfast.' (2:249)

When they came out against Goliath and his troops, they said, 'Our Lord, pour down steadfastness upon us, and make our feet firm, and help us against this disbelieving people.' (2:250) And with Allah's permission they routed them. Dawud killed Goliath and Allah gave him kingship and wisdom and taught him whatever He willed. If it were not for Allah's driving some people back by means of others, the earth would have been corrupted. But Allah shows favour to all the worlds. (2:251)

We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh and the Prophets who came after him. And We revealed to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and 'Isa and Ayyub and Yunus and Harun and Sulayman. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (4:163)

Those among the tribe of Israel who disbelieved were cursed on the tongue of Dawud and that of 'Isa, son of Maryam. That is because they rebelled and overstepped the limits. (5:78)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, each of whom We guided. And before him We had guided Nuh. And among his descendants were Dawud and Sulayman, and Ayyub, Yusuf, Musa and Harun. That is how We recompense the good-doers. (6:84)

My Lord knows best everyone in the heavens and earth. We favoured some of the Prophets over others. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (17:55)

And Dawud and Sulayman when they gave judgement about the field, when the people's sheep strayed into it at night. We were Witness to their judgement. (21:78)

We gave Sulayman understanding of it. We gave

each of them judgement and knowledge. We subjected the mountains to Dawud, glorifying, and the birds as well. This is something We are well able to do. (21:79)

We wrote down in the Zabur, after the Reminder came: 'It is My servants who are righteous who will inherit the earth.' (21:105)

We gave knowledge to Dawud and Sulayman who said, 'Praise be to Allah Who has favoured us over many of His servants who are believers.' (27:15)

Sulayman was Dawud's heir. He said, 'Mankind! We have been taught the speech of birds and we have been given everything. This is indeed clear favour.' (27:16)

We gave Dawud great favour from Us: 'O mountains and birds! Echo with him in his praise!' And We made iron malleable for him. (34:10)

They made for him (Sulayman) anything he wished: high arches and statues, huge dishes like cisterns, great built-in cooking vats. 'Work, family of Dawud, in thankfulness!' But very few of My servants are thankful. (34:13)

Be steadfast in the face of what they say and remember Our servant Dawud, who possessed true strength. He truly turned to his Lord. (38:17) Has the story of the litigants reached you? How they climbed up to the Upper Room and came in on Dawud who was alarmed by them. They said, 'Do not be afraid. We are two litigants, one of whom has acted unjustly towards the other, so judge between us with truth and do not be unjust and guide us to the Right Path. This brother of mine has ninety-nine ewes and I have only one. He said, "Let me have charge of it," and got the better of me with his words.' He said, 'He has wronged you by asking for your ewe to add to his ewes. Truly many partners are unjust to one another—except those who believe and do right actions, and how few they are!' Dawud realised that We had put him to the test. He begged forgiveness from his Lord and fell down prone, prostrating, and repented. So We forgave him for that and he has nearness to Us and a good Homecoming. (We said), 'Dawud! We have made you a successor on the earth, so judge between people with truth and do not follow your

own desires, letting them misguide you from the Way of Allah. Those who are misguided from the Way of Allah will receive a harsh punishment because they forgot the Day of Reckoning.' (38:21-26)

### **DAY OF HUNAYN**

Allah has helped you on many occasions, including the Day of Hunayn when your great numbers delighted you but did not help you in any way, and the earth seemed narrow to you for all its great breadth, and you turned your backs. Then Allah sent down His serenity on His Messenger and on the believers, and sent down troops you could not see, and punished those who disbelieved. That is how the disbelievers are repaid. (9:25-26)

### **DAY OF JUDGEMENT**

Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds, the All-Merciful, the Most Merciful, the King of the Day of Judgement. You alone we worship. (1:1-3) Death to the conjecturers: those who flounder in a glut of ignorance, asking, 'When is the Day of Judgement?' (51:10-12)

This will be their hospitality on the Day of Judgement!' (56:56)

(Believers are) those who affirm the Day of Judgement. (70:26)

What will convey to you what the Day of Judgement is? (82:17)

Again! What will convey to you what the Day of Judgement is? (82:18)

### **DAY OF RISING (THE HOUR)**

Then you are the people who are killing one another and expelling a group among you from their homes, ganging up against them in wrongdoing and enmity. Yet if they are brought to you as captives, you ransom them, when it was forbidden for you to expel them in the first place! Do you, then, believe in one part of the Book and reject the other? What repayment will there be for any of you who do that except disgrace in this world? And on the Day of Rising, they will be returned to the harshest of punishments. Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:85)

The Jews say, 'The Christians have nothing to stand on,' and the Christians say, 'The Jews have nothing to stand on,' yet they both recite the Book. Those who do not know say the same as they say. Allah will judge between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things about which they differ. (2:113)

Those who conceal what Allah has sent down of the Book and sell it cheap, take nothing into their bellies but the Fire. On the Day of Rising Allah will not speak to them or purify them. They will have a painful punishment. (2:174)

To those who disbelieve, the life of this world is painted in glowing colours and they laugh at those who believe. But on the Day of Rising those who fear Allah will be over them. Allah provides for whoever He wills without any reckoning. (2:212)

When Allah said, "Isa, I will take you back and raise you up to Me and purify you of those who disbelieve. And I will place the people who follow you above those who disbelieve until the Day of Rising. Then you will all return to Me, and I will judge between you regarding the things about which you differed." (3:55)

Those who sell Allah's contract and their own oaths for a paltry price, such people will have no portion in the hereafter and on the Day of Rising Allah will not speak to them or look at them or purify them. They will have a painful punishment. (3:77)

It is not for any prophet to be false to his trust. Those who are false will arrive on the Day of Rising with what they have misappropriated. Then every self will be paid in full for what it earned. They will not be wronged. (3:161)

Those who are tight-fisted with the bounty Allah has given them should not suppose that that is better for them. No indeed, it is worse for them! What they were tight-fisted with will be hung around their necks on the Day of Rising. Allah is the inheritor of the heavens and the earth and Allah is aware of what you do. (3:180)

Every self will taste death. You will be paid your wages in full on the Day of Rising. Anyone who is distanced from the Fire and admitted to the Garden has triumphed. The life of this world is

just the enjoyment of delusion. (3:185)  
(Believers say,) 'Our Lord, give us what You promised us through Your Messengers, and do not disgrace us on the Day of Rising. You do not break Your promise.' (3:194)

Allah, there is no god but Him. He will gather you to the Day of Rising about which there is no doubt. And whose speech could be truer than Allah's? (4:87)

Here you are arguing on their behalf in this world, but who will argue with Allah on their behalf on the Day of Rising? Who will act as guardian for them then? (4:109)

Those who anticipate the worst for you say, 'Were we not with you?' whenever you gain a victory from Allah, but if the disbelievers have a success they say, 'Did we not have the upper hand over you and yet in spite of that keep the believers away from you?' Allah will judge between you on the Day of Rising. Allah will not give the disbelievers any way against the believers. (4:141)

There is not one of the People of the Book who will not believe in him before he dies; and on the Day of Rising he ('Isa) will be a witness against them. (4:159)

We also made a covenant with those who say, 'We are Christians,' and they too forgot a good portion of what they were reminded of. So We stirred up enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising when Allah will inform them about what they did. (5:14)

As for those who disbelieve, if they had everything on the earth and the same again with it to ransom themselves from the punishment of the Day of Rising, it would not be accepted from them. They will have a painful punishment. (5:36)

The Jews say, 'Allah's hand is chained.' Their hands are chained and they are cursed for what they say! No! Both His hands are open wide and He gives however He wills. What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of them in insolence and disbelief. We have incited enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising. Each time they kindle the fire of war, Allah extinguishes it. They rush about the earth

corrupting it. Allah does not love corrupters. (5:64)

Say: 'To whom does everything in the heavens and earth belong?' Say: 'To Allah.' He has made mercy incumbent on Himself. He will gather you to the Day of Rising about which there is no doubt. As for those who have lost their own selves, they have no faith. (6:12)

Those who deny the meeting with Allah have lost, so that, when the Hour comes upon them suddenly, they will say, 'Alas for what we neglected there!' They will bear their burdens on their backs. How evil is what they bear! (6:31)

Say: 'What do you think? If Allah's punishment were to come upon you or the Hour, would you call on other than Allah if you are being truthful?' (6:40)

Say: 'Who has forbidden the fine clothing Allah has produced for His servants and the good kinds of provision?' Say: 'On the Day of Rising such things will be exclusively for those who believed during their life in this world.' In this way We make the Signs clear for people who know. (7:32)

Then your Lord announced that He would send against them until the Day of Rising people who would inflict an evil punishment on them. Your Lord is Swift in Retribution. And He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (7:167)

When your Lord took out all their descendants from the loins of the children of Adam and made them testify against themselves 'Am I not your Lord?' they said, 'We testify that indeed You are! Lest you say on the Day of Rising, 'We knew nothing of this.' (7:172)

They will ask you about the Hour: When is it due? Say: 'Knowledge of it rests with my Lord alone. He alone will reveal it at its proper time. It hangs heavy in the heavens and the earth. It will not come upon you except suddenly.' They will ask you as if you had full knowledge of it. Say: 'Knowledge of it rests with Allah alone. But most people do not know that.' (7:187)

What will those who invent lies against Allah think on the Day of Rising? Allah shows favour to mankind but most of them are not thankful. (10:60)

They were pursued by a curse in this world and on the Day of Rising. Yes indeed! 'Ad rejected their Lord, so away with 'Ad, the people of Hud! (11:60)

He (Pharaoh) will go ahead of his people on the Day of Rising and lead them down into the Fire. What an evil watering-hole to be led to! (11:98) They are pursued by a curse in this world and on the Day of Rising. What an evil gift to be given! (11:99)

Do they feel secure that the all-enveloping punishment of Allah will not come upon them, or that the Last Hour will not come upon them all of a sudden when they least expect it? (12:107)

We did not create the heavens and earth and everything between them, except with truth. The Hour is certainly coming, so turn away graciously. (15:85)

So on the Day of Rising they will carry the full weight of their own burdens and some of the burdens of those they misguided without knowledge. What an evil load they bear! (16:25)

Then on the Day of Rising He will disgrace them, and say, 'Where are My partner gods for whose sake you became so hostile?' Those given knowledge will say, 'Today there is disgrace and evil for the disbelievers.' (16:27)

The Unseen of the heavens and earth belongs to Allah. The matter of the Hour is only the blink of an eye away, or even nearer. Allah has power over all things. (16:77)

The Sabbath was only enjoined on those who differed about it. Your Lord will judge between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things about which they differed. (16:124)

We have fastened the destiny of every man about his neck and on the Day of Rising We will bring out a Book for him which he will find spread open in front of him. (17:13)

There is no city We will not destroy before the Day of Rising, or punish with a terrible punishment. That is inscribed in the Book. (17:58)

He (Diabolis) said, 'Do you see this creature you have honoured over me? If You reprieve me till the Day of Rising, I will be the master of his descendants except for a very few.' (17:62)

Whoever Allah guides is truly guided. But as for

those He leads astray, you will not find any protectors for them apart from Him. We will gather them on the Day of Rising, flat on their faces, blind, dumb and deaf. Their shelter will be Hell. Whenever the Blaze dies down, We will increase it for them. (17:97)

Accordingly We made them chance upon them unexpectedly so they might know that Allah's promise is true and that there is no doubt about the Hour. When they were arguing among themselves about the matter, they said, 'Wall up their cave, their Lord knows best about them.' But those who got the better of the argument concerning them said, 'We will build a place of worship over them.' (18:21)

(He said,) 'I do not think the Hour will ever come. But if I should be sent back to my Lord, I will definitely get something better in return.' (18:36)

Those are the people who reject their Lord's Signs and the meeting with Him. Their actions will come to nothing and, on the Day of Rising, We will not assign them any weight. (18:105) Say: 'As for those who are astray, let the All-Merciful prolong their term until they see what they were promised, whether it be the punishment or the Hour. Then they will know who is in the worse position and has the weaker troops.' (19:75)

Each of them will come to Him on the Day of Rising all alone. (19:95)

The Hour is coming but I have concealed it so that every self can be repaid for its efforts. (20:15)

Those who turn away from it will bear a heavy burden on the Day of Rising, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. What an evil load they will bear on the Day of Rising! (20:100-101)

(He said,) 'But if anyone turns away from My reminder, his life will be a dark and narrow one and on the Day of Rising We will gather him blind.' (20:124)

We will set up the Just Balance on the Day of Rising and no self will be wronged in any way. Even if it is no more than the weight of a grain of mustard-seed, We will produce it. We are sufficient as a Reckoner. (21:47)

... for the heedful: those who fear their Lord in

the Unseen and are apprehensive about the Hour. (21:48-49)

Mankind, have fear of your Lord! The quaking of the Hour is a terrible thing. (22:1)

And the Hour is coming without any doubt and Allah will raise up all those in the graves. (22:7)

Among people there is one who argues about Allah without knowledge or guidance or any light-giving Book, turning away arrogantly, to misguide people from the Way of Allah. He will be disgraced in this world and on the Day of Rising We will make him taste the punishment of the Burning. (22:8-9)

As for those who believe and those who are Jews and the Sabaeans and the Christians, Magians and idolaters, Allah will distinguish between them on the Day of Rising. Allah is witness of all things. (22:17)

But those who disbelieve will not cease to be in doubt of it until the Hour comes on them suddenly or the punishment of a desolate Day arrives. (22:55)

Allah will judge between you on the Day of Rising regarding everything about which you differed. (22:69)

Then on the Day of Rising you will be raised again. (23:16)

But instead, they deny the Hour; and We have prepared a Searing Blaze for those who deny the Hour. (25:11)

And on the Day of Rising his punishment will be doubled and he will be humiliated in it timelessly, for ever. (25:69)

We made them leaders, summoning to the Fire, and on the Day of Rising they will not be helped. (28:41)

We pursued them with a curse in this world and on the Day of Rising they will be hideous and spurned. (28:42)

Is someone whom We have promised good and who then obtains it, the same as someone whom We have given enjoyment in the life of this world and who then, on the Day of Rising, is one of those brought to punishment? (28:61)

Say: 'What do you think? If Allah made it permanent night for you till the Day of Rising, what god is there other than Allah to bring you light? Do

you not then hear?' (28:71)

Say: 'What do you think? If Allah made it permanent day for you till the Day of Rising, what god is there other than Allah to bring you night to rest in? Do you not then see?' (28:72)

They will bear their own burdens and other burdens together with their own. On the Day of Rising they will be questioned about what they invented. (29:13)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'You have adopted idols apart from Allah as tokens of mutual affection in this world. But then on the Day of Rising you will reject one another and curse one another. The Fire will be your shelter. You will have no helpers.' (29:25)

On the Day the Hour arrives the evildoers will be in despair. (30:12)

On the Day the Hour arrives, that Day they will be split up. (30:14)

On the Day the Last Hour arrives, the evildoers will swear they have not even tarried for an hour. That is the extent to which they are deceived. (30:55)

Truly Allah has knowledge of the Hour and sends down abundant rain and knows what is in the womb. And no self knows what it will earn tomorrow and no self knows in what land it will die. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (31:34)

On the Day of Rising your Lord will decide between them regarding everything about which they differed. (32:25)

People will ask you about the Last Hour. Say: 'Only Allah has knowledge of it. What will make you understand? It may be that the Last Hour is very near.' (33:63)

Those who disbelieve say, 'The Hour will never come.' Say: 'Yes, by my Lord, it certainly will come!' He is the Knower of the Unseen, Whom not even the weight of the smallest particle eludes, either in the heavens or in the earth; nor is there anything smaller or larger than that which is not in a Clear Book. (34:3)

If you call on them they will not hear your call, and were they to hear, they would not respond to you. On the Day of Rising they will reject your making associates of them. No one can inform you like One Who is All-aware. (35:14)

Say: 'It is Allah I worship, making my religion sincerely His, so worship anything you will apart from Him!' Say: 'The real losers are those who lose themselves and their families on the Day of Rising.' Is not that clear loss? (39:14-15)

Is someone who tries to shield himself with his face from the worst of the torment on the Day of Rising ...? The wrongdoers will be told, 'Taste what you have earned.' (39:24)

Then on the Day of Rising you will argue in the presence of your Lord. (39:31)

If those who did wrong owned everything on earth, and the same again with it, they would offer it as a ransom to save themselves from the evil of the punishment on the Day of Rising. What confronts them from Allah will be something they did not reckon with. (39:47)

On the Day of Rising you will see those who lied against Allah with their faces blackened. Do not the arrogant have a dwelling place in Hell? (39:60)

They do not measure Allah with His true measure. The whole earth will be a mere handful for Him on the Day of Rising the heavens folded up in His right hand. Glory be to Him! He is exalted above the partners they ascribe! (39:67)

The Fire, morning and night, to which they are exposed; and on the Day the Hour takes place: 'Admit Pharaoh's people to the harshest punishment!' (40:46)

The Hour is coming--there is no doubt about it. But most of mankind have no faith. (40:59)

Those who adulterate Our Signs are not concealed from Us. Who is better--someone who will be thrown into the fire or someone who will arrive in safety on the Day of Rising? Do what you like. He sees whatever you do. (41:40)

Knowledge of the Hour is referred to Him. And no fruit emerges from its husk, nor does any female get pregnant or give birth, without His knowledge. On the Day He calls out to them: 'Where are My associates?' they will say, 'We declare to you that none of us is a witness.' (41:47) But if We let him taste mercy from Us after he has suffered hardship, then he says, 'This is my due. I do not think that the Hour is going to come. And if I am returned to my Lord, I will definitely find

the best reward with Him.' But We will inform those who disbelieve of what they did and make them suffer a ruthless punishment. (41:50)

It is Allah Who has sent down the Book with truth and with the Just Balance. What will make you realise? Perhaps the Hour is close. (42:17)

Those who do not believe in it try to hasten it. But those who believe in it are afraid of it. They know it is the truth. Those who doubt the Hour are greatly misguided. (42:18)

You will see them as they are exposed to it, abject in their abasement, glancing around them furtively. Those who believe will say, 'Truly the losers are those who lose themselves and their families on the Day of Rising.' The wrongdoers are in an everlasting punishment. (42:45)

He ('Isa) is a Sign of the Hour. Have no doubt about it. But follow me. This is a straight path. (43:61)

What are they waiting for, but the Hour to come upon them suddenly when they are not expecting it? (43:66)

Blessed be Him to Whom belongs the sovereignty of the heavens and the earth and everything in between them. The knowledge of the Hour is with Him. You will be returned to Him. (43:85)

We made the Commandments very clear to them and they only differed after knowledge came to them, tyrannising one other. Your Lord will decide between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things they differed about. (45:17)

Say: 'Allah gives you life, then causes you to die, and then will gather you together for the Day of Rising about which there is no doubt. But most people do not know it.' (45:26)

The kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs to Allah and, on the Day that the Hour arrives, that Day the liars will be lost. (45:27)

(The disbelievers will be told,) 'When you were told, "Allah's promise is true and so is the Hour, of which there is no doubt," you said, "We have no idea what the Hour is. We have only been conjecturing. We are by no means certain." (45:32)

Who could be further astray than those who call on other things besides Allah, which will not re-

spond to them until the Day of Rising and which are unaware of their prayers? (46:5)

What are they awaiting but for the Hour to come upon them suddenly? Its Signs have already come. What good will their Reminder be to them when it does arrive? (47:18)

The Hour has drawn near and the moon has split. (54:1)

In fact the Hour is their promised appointment and the Hour is more disastrous and bitter! (54:46)

Do you not see that Allah knows what is in the heavens and on the earth? Three men cannot confer together secretly without Him being the fourth of them, or five without Him being the sixth of them, or fewer than that or more without Him being with them wherever they are. Then He will inform them on the Day of Rising of what they did. Allah has knowledge of all things. (58:7)

Neither your blood relations nor your children will be of any use to you. On the Day of Rising He will differentiate between you. Allah sees what you do. (60:3)

Or do you have oaths which bind Us, extending to the Day of Rising, that you will have whatever you decide? (68:39)

On that Day, the Occurrence will occur. (69:15) Yet man still wants to deny what is ahead of him, asking, 'So when is the Day of Rising?' (75:5-6)

They ask you about the Hour: 'When will it come?' (79:42)

Has news of the Overwhelmer reached you? (88:1)

## DEAD

How can you reject Allah, when you were dead and then He gave you life, then He will make you die and then give you life again, then you will be returned to Him? (2:28)

We said, 'Hit him with part of it!' In that way Allah gives life to the dead and He shows you His Signs so that hopefully you will understand. (2:73)

Do not say that those who are killed in the Way of Allah are dead. On the contrary, they are alive but you are not aware of it. (2:154)

In the creation of the heavens and earth, and the alternation of the night and day, and the ships which sail the seas to people's benefit, and the water which Allah sends down from the sky—by which He brings the earth to life when it was dead and scatters about in it creatures of every kind—and the varying direction of the winds, and the clouds subservient between heaven and earth, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (2:164)

When Ibrahim said, 'My Lord, show me how You bring the dead to life.' He asked, 'Do you not then believe?' He replied, 'Indeed I do! But so that my heart may be at peace.' He said, 'Take four birds and train them to yourself. Then put a part of them on each mountain and call to them; they will come rushing to you. Know that Allah is Almighty, All-Wise.' (2:260)

(Say, 'O Allah!) You merge the night into the day. You merge the day into the night. You bring out the living from the dead. You bring out the dead from the living. You provide for whoever You will without any reckoning.' (3:27)

He will teach him ('Isa) the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel, as a Messenger to the tribe of Israel, saying: 'I have brought you a Sign from your Lord. I will create the shape of a bird out of clay for you and then breathe into it and it will be a bird by Allah's permission. I will heal the blind and the leper, and bring the dead to life, by Allah's permission. I will tell you what you eat and what you store up in your homes. There is a Sign for you in that if you are believers.' (3:48-49)

Do not suppose that those killed in the Way of Allah are dead. No indeed! They are alive and well provided for in the very presence of their Lord. (3:169)

Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to your mother when I reinforced you with the Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My

permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth the dead by My permission; and when I held back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but downright magic!'" (5:110)

Only those who can hear respond. As for the dead, Allah will raise them up, then to Him they will be returned. (6:36)

Allah is He Who splits the seed and kernel. He brings forth the living from the dead, and produces the dead out of the living. That is Allah, so how are you perverted? (6:95)

Even if We sent down angels to them, and the dead spoke to them, and We gathered together everything in front of them right before their eyes, they would still not believe unless Allah willed. The truth is that most of them are ignorant. (6:111) Is someone who was dead and whom We brought to life, supplying him with a light by which to walk among people, the same as someone who is in utter darkness, unable to emerge from it? That is how what they were doing is made to seem attractive to the disbelievers. (6:122)

It is He Who sends out the winds, bringing advance news of His mercy, so that when they have lifted up the heavy clouds, We dispatch them to a dead land and send down water to it, by means of which We bring forth all kinds of fruit. In the same way We will bring forth the dead, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (7:57)

Say: 'Who provides for you out of heaven and earth? Who controls hearing and sight? Who brings forth the living from the dead and the dead from the living? Who directs the whole affair?' They will say, 'Allah.' Say, 'So will you not guard against evil?' (10:31)

Even if there was a Qur'an which moved mountains, or split the earth open or spoke to the dead...! On the contrary! The affair is Allah's altogether. Do those who believe not know that if Allah had wanted He could have guided all mankind? Those who disbelieve will not cease to be struck by disaster for what they have done—or a disaster will happen close to their homes—until Allah's promise is fulfilled. Allah will not fail to

keep His promise. (13:31)

They are dead, not alive, and they are not aware of when they will be raised. (16:21)

Allah sends down water from the sky and by it brings the dead earth back to life. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who hear. (16:65) Mankind! If you are in any doubt about the Rising, know that We created you from dust then from a drop of sperm then from a clot of blood then from a lump of flesh, formed yet unformed, so We may make things clear to you. We make whatever We want stay in the womb until a specified time and then We bring you out as children so that you can reach your full maturity. Some of you die and some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that, after having knowledge, they then know nothing at all. And you see the earth dead and barren; then when We send down water onto it it quivers and swells and sprouts with luxuriant plants of every kind. (22:5)

That is because Allah is the Real and gives life to the dead and has power over all things. (22:6)

It is He Who sends out the winds, bringing advance news of His mercy. And We send down from heaven pure water so that by it We can bring a dead land to life and give drink to many of the animals and people We created. (25:48-49)

You will not make dead men hear and you will not make deaf men hear the call when they turn their backs in flight. (27:80)

If you ask them, 'Who sends down water from the sky, bringing the earth back to life again after it was dead?' they will say, 'Allah.' Say: 'Praise be to Allah.' But most of them do not use their intellect. (29:63)

He brings forth the living from the dead and brings forth the dead from the living and brings the earth to life after it was dead. In the same way you too will be brought forth. (30:19)

Among His Signs is that He shows you lightning, a source of fear and eager hope, and sends down water from the sky, bringing the dead earth back to life by it. There are certainly Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (30:24)

So look at the effect of the mercy of Allah, how He brings the dead earth back to life. Truly He is

the One Who brings the dead to life. He has power over all things. (30:50)

You will not make dead men hear; you will not make deaf men hear the call, when they turn their backs in flight. (30:52)

It is Allah Who sends the winds which raise the clouds which We then drive to a dead land and by them bring the earth to life after it was dead. That is how the Resurrection will be. (35:9)

The living and dead are not the same. Allah makes anyone He wills hear but you cannot make those in the grave hear. (35:22)

We bring the dead to life and We record what they send ahead and what they leave behind. We have listed everything in a clear register. (36:12)

A Sign for them is the dead land which We bring to life and from which We bring forth grain of which they eat. (36:33)

Among His Signs is that you see the earth laid bare and then when We send down water on it, it quivers and swells. He Who gives it life is He Who gives life to the dead. Certainly He has power over all things. (41:39)

Have they then taken others besides Him as protectors? But Allah is the Protector. He gives life to the dead. He has power over all things. (42:9)

It is He Who sends down water in due measure from the sky by which We bring a dead land back to life. That is how you too will be brought forth. (43:11)

Do they not see that Allah—He Who created the heavens and the earth and was not wearied by creating them—has the power to bring the dead to life? Yes indeed! He has power over all things. (46:33)

You who believe! Avoid most suspicion. Indeed some suspicion is a crime. And do not spy and do not backbite one another. Would any of you like to eat his brother's dead flesh? No, you would hate it. And have fear of Allah. Allah is Ever-Returning, Most Merciful. (49:12)

And We sent down blessed water from the sky and made gardens grow by it and grain for harvesting and soaring date-palms with layered spathes, as provision for Our servants; by it We brought a dead land to life. That is how the Emergence will take place. (50:9-11)

Know that Allah brings the earth to life after it was dead. We have made the Signs clear to you so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (57:17)

Is He Who does this not able to bring the dead to life? (75:40)

Did We not make the earth a receptacle for the living and the dead? (77:25-26)

## DEAF

Deaf, dumb, blind. They will not return. (2:18) The likeness of those who disbelieve is that of the beast which, call out to it as one may, can hear nothing but a shout and a cry. Deaf-dumb-blind. They do not use their intellect. (2:171)

They thought there would be no testing. They were blind and deaf. Then Allah turned towards them. Then many of them went blind and deaf again. Allah sees what they do. (5:71)

Those who deny Our Signs are deaf and dumb in utter darkness. Allah misguides whoever He wills, and puts whoever He wills on a straight path. (6:39)

The worst of beasts in Allah's sight are the deaf and dumb who have no intellect. (8:22)

The likeness of the two groups is that of the blind and deaf and the seeing and hearing. Are they the same as one another? So will you not pay heed? (11:24)

Whoever Allah guides is truly guided. But as for those He leads astray, you will not find any protectors for them apart from Him. We will gather them on the Day of Rising, flat on their faces, blind, dumb and deaf. Their shelter will be Hell. Whenever the Blaze dies down, We will increase it for them. (17:97)

Say: 'I can only warn you through the Revelation.' But the deaf cannot hear the call when they are warned. (21:45)

(Believers are) those who, when they are reminded of the Signs of their Lord, do not turn their backs, deaf and blind to them; (25:73)

You will not make dead men hear and you will not make deaf men hear the call when they turn their backs in flight. (27:80)

You will not make dead men hear; you will not make deaf men hear the call, when they turn

their backs in flight. (30:52)

Such are the people Allah has cursed, making them deaf and blinding their eyes. (47:23)

## DEATH

Or (their likeness is) that of a storm-cloud in the sky, full of darkness, thunder and lightning. They put their fingers in their ears against the thunderclaps, fearful of death. Allah encompasses the disbelievers. (2:19)

Then We brought you back to life after your death, so that perhaps you would show thanks. (2:56)

Say, 'If the abode of the hereafter with Allah is for you alone, to the exclusion of all others, then long for death if you are telling the truth.' But they will never ever long for it because of what they have done. Allah knows the wrongdoers. (2:94-95)

Or were you present when death came to Ya'qub and he said to his sons, 'What will you worship when I have gone?' They said, 'We will worship your God, the God of your forefathers, Ibrahim, Isma'il and Ishaq—one God. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:133)

It is prescribed for you, when death approaches one of you and if he has some goods to leave, to make a will in favour of his parents and relatives, correctly and fairly: a duty for all those who guard against evil. (2:180)

What do you think about those who left their homes in thousands in fear of death? Allah said to them, 'Die!' and then brought them back to life. Allah shows great favour to mankind, but most people are not grateful. (2:243)

You were longing for death before you met it. Now you have seen it with your own eyes. (3:143)

They are those who said of their brothers, when they themselves had stayed behind, 'If they had only obeyed us, they would not have been killed.' Say, 'Then ward off death from yourselves if you are telling the truth.' (3:168)

Every self will taste death. You will be paid your wages in full on the Day of Rising. Anyone who is distanced from the Fire and admitted to the Garden has triumphed. The life of this world is

just the enjoyment of delusion. (3:185)

If any of your women commit fornication, four of you must be witnesses against them. If they bear witness, detain them in their homes until death releases them or Allah ordains another procedure for their case. (4:15)

There is no repentance for people who persist in doing evil until death comes to them and who then say, 'Now I repent,' nor for people who die disbelievers. We have prepared for them a painful punishment. (4:18)

Wherever you are, death will catch up with you, even if you are in impregnable fortresses. If a good thing happens to them, they say, 'This has come from Allah.' But if a bad thing happens to them, they say, 'This has come from you.' Say, 'Everything comes from Allah.' What is the matter with these people that they scarcely understand a single word? (4:78)

Those who migrate in the Way of Allah will find many places of refuge on the earth and ample sustenance. If anyone leaves his home, migrating to Allah and His Messenger, and death catches up with him, it is Allah Who will reward him. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:100) You who believe! When one of you is near to death and makes a will, two just men from among you should act as witnesses; or, if you are travelling when the misfortune of death occurs, two men who are strangers to you. You should detain them after prayer and, if you are doubtful, they should swear by Allah: 'We will not sell it for any price, even to a near relative, and we will not conceal the testimony of Allah. If we did we would indeed be wrongdoers.' (5:106)

He is the Absolute Master over His servants. He sends angels to watch over you. Then when death comes to one of you, Our messengers take him, and they do not fail in their task. (6:61)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs, or who says, 'It has been revealed to me,' when nothing has been revealed to him, or someone who says, 'I will send down the same as Allah has sent down'? If you could only see the wrongdoers in the throes of death when the angels are stretching out their hands, saying, 'Disgorge your

own selves! Today you will be repaid with the punishment of humiliation for saying something other than the truth about Allah, and being arrogant about His Signs.' (6:93)

Just as your Lord brought you out from your house with truth, even though a group of the believers disliked it, arguing with you about the Truth after it had been made clear as though they were being driven to their death with open eyes. (8:5-6)

It is He Who created the heavens and the earth in six days when His Throne was on the water, in order to test which of you has the best actions. If you say, 'You will be raised up after death,' those who disbelieve will say, 'This is nothing but downright magic.' (11:7)

He gulps at it but can hardly swallow it down. Death comes at him from every side but he does not die. And beyond him is relentless punishment. (14:17)

Then We would have let you taste a double punishment in life and a double punishment in death. You would not have found any helper against Us. (17:75)

Every self will taste death. We test you with both good and evil as a trial. And you will be returned to Us. (21:35)

When death comes to one of them, he says, 'My Lord, send me back again.' (23:99)

But they have adopted gods apart from Him which do not create anything but are themselves created. They have no power to harm or help themselves. They have no power over death or life or resurrection. (25:3)

(Ibrahim said, 'It is) He Who will cause my death, then give me life.' (26:81)

Every self will taste death. Then you will be returned to Us. (29:57)

Say: 'The Angel of Death, who has been given charge of you, will take you back and then you will be sent back to your Lord.' (32:11)

Say: 'Flight will not benefit you if you try to run away from death or being killed. Then you will only enjoy a short respite.' (33:16)

Allah knows the obstructers among you and those who say to their brothers, 'Come to us,' and who only come to fight a very little, and are begrudging towards you. Then when fear comes,

you see them looking at you, their eyes rolling like people scared to death. But when fear departs they flay you with sharp tongues, grasping for wealth. Such people have no faith and Allah will make their actions come to nothing. That is easy for Allah. (33:18-19)

They are an accursed people. Wherever they are found they should be seized and mercilessly put to death. (33:61)

Then when We decreed that he (Sulayman) should die, nothing divulged his death to them except the worm which ate his staff; so that when he fell down it was made clear to the jinn that if they had truly had knowledge of the Unseen they need not have stayed there suffering humiliating punishment. (34:14)

(Say,) 'Are we not going to die, except for our first death? Are we not going to be punished?' (37:58-59)

Allah takes back people's selves when their death arrives and those who have not yet died, while they are asleep. He keeps hold of those whose death has been decreed and sends the others back for a specified term. There are certainly Signs in that for people who reflect. (39:42) (These people say,) 'There is nothing more than our first death. We will not be raised up a second time.' (44:35)

They will not taste any death there—except for the first one. He will safeguard them from the punishment of the Blazing Fire. (44:56)

Or do those who perpetrate evil deeds suppose that We will make them like those who believe and do right actions, so that their lives and deaths will be the same? How bad their judgement is! (45:21)

Those who believe say, 'If only a sura could be sent down.' But when a straightforward sura is sent down and fighting is mentioned in it, you see those with sickness in their hearts looking at you with the look of someone about to faint from fear of death. More fitting for them would be obedience and honourable words. Once the matter is resolved upon, being true to Allah would be better for them. (47:20-21)

The throes of death come revealing the truth. That is what you were trying to evade! (50:19)

(Has he not been informed) that it is He Who brings about both death and life? (53:44)

We have decreed death for you and We will not be forestalled. (56:60)

Say: 'You Jews, if you claim to be the friends of Allah to the exclusion of all other people, then wish for death if you are telling the truth.' But they will never ever wish for it because of what they have done. Allah knows the wrongdoers. (62:6-7)

Say: 'Death, from which you are fleeing, will certainly catch up with you. Then you will be returned to the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible and He will inform you about what you did.' (62:8)

Give from what We have provided for you before death comes to one of you and he says, 'My Lord, if only you would give me a little more time so that I can give charity and be one of the righteous!' (63:10)

He Who created death and life to test which of you is best in action. He is the Almighty, the Ever-Forgiving. (67:2)

(He who is given his Book in his left hand will say,) 'If only death had really been the end!' (69:27)

## DEEN (SEE RELIGION)

### DEBASEMENT

Those who do good will have the best and more! Neither dust nor debasement will darken their faces. They are the Companions of the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (10:26)

But as for those who have earned bad actions—a bad action will be repaid with one the like of it. Debasement will darken them. They will have no one to protect them from Allah. It is as if their faces were covered by dark patches of the night. Those are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (10:27)

Their eyes will be downcast, darkened by debasement; for they were called on to prostrate when they were in full possession of their faculties. (68:43)

The Day they will emerge swiftly from their graves as if rushing to rally to the flag, eyes

downcast, darkened by debasement, that will be the Day which they were promised. (70:43-44)

## **DEBT - LOAN**

If someone is in difficult circumstances, there should be a deferral until things are easier. But making a free gift of it would be better for you if you only knew. (2:280)

You who believe! When you take on a debt for a specified period, write it down. A writer should write it down between you justly. No writer should refuse to write; as Allah has taught him, so he should write. The one incurring the debt should dictate and should have fear of Allah his Lord and not reduce it in any way. If the person incurring the debt is incompetent or weak or unable to dictate, then his guardian should dictate for him justly. Two men among you should act as witnesses. But if there are not two men, then a man and two women with whom you are satisfied as witnesses; then if one of them forgets, the other can remind her. Witnesses should not refuse when they are called upon. Do not think it too trivial to write down, whether small or large, with the date that it falls due. Doing that is more just in Allah's sight and more helpful when bearing witness and more likely to eliminate any doubt-unless it is an immediate transaction hand to hand, taken and given without delay. There is nothing wrong in your not writing that down. Call witnesses when you trade. Neither writer nor witness should be put under pressure. If you do that, it is deviancy on your part. Have fear of Allah and Allah will give you knowledge. Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:282)

If you are on a journey and cannot find a writer, something can be left as a security. If you leave things on trust with one another the one who is trusted must deliver up his trust and have fear of Allah his Lord. Do not conceal testimony. If someone does conceal it, his heart commits a crime. Allah knows what you do. (2:283)

Allah instructs you regarding your children: A male receives the same as the share of two females. If there are more than two daughters they receive two-thirds of what you leave. If she is one on her own she receives a half. Each of your par-

ents receives a sixth of what you leave if you have children. If you are childless and your heirs are your parents your mother receives a third. If you have brothers or sisters your mother receives a sixth, after any bequest you make or any debts. With regard to your fathers and your sons, you do not know which of them is going to benefit you more. These are obligatory shares from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:11)

You receive half of what your wives leave if they are childless. If they have children you receive a quarter of what they leave after any bequest they make or any debts. They receive a quarter of what you leave if you are childless. If you have children they receive an eighth of what you leave after any bequest you make or any debts. If a man or woman has no direct heirs, but has a brother or sister, each of them receives a sixth. If there are more than that they share in a third after any bequest you make or any debts, making sure that no one's rights are prejudiced. This is an instruction from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Forbearing. (4:12)

Allah made a covenant with the tribe of Israel and We raised up twelve leaders from among them. Allah said, 'I am with you. If you perform prayer and give the alms, and believe in My Messengers and respect and support them, and make a generous loan to Allah, I will erase your wrong actions from you and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Any of you who disbelieve after that have gone astray from the right way.' (5:12)

The alms are for: the poor, the destitute, those who collect it, reconciling people's hearts, freeing slaves, those in debt, spending in the Way of Allah, and travellers. It is a legal obligation from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:60)

Or do you ask them for a wage so they are weighed down with debt? (52:40)  
Who will make a good loan to Allah so that He may multiply it for him? He will have a generous reward. (57:11)

If you make a generous loan to Allah He will multiply it for you and forgive you. Allah is All-Thankful, Most Forbearing. (64:17)

Or do you ask them for a wage so they are

weighed down with debt? (68:46)

Your Lord knows that you stay up nearly two-thirds of the night—or half of it, or a third of it—and a group of those with you. Allah determines the night and day. He knows you will not keep count of it, so He has turned towards you. Recite as much of the Qur'an as is easy for you. He knows that some of you are ill and that others are traveling in the land seeking Allah's bounty, and that others are fighting in the Way of Allah. So recite as much of it as is easy for you. And perform prayer and give the alms and lend a generous loan to Allah. Whatever good you send ahead for yourselves you will find it with Allah as something better and as a greater reward. And seek forgiveness from Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (73:20)

### **DECEIT**

They think they deceive Allah and those who believe. They deceive no one but themselves but they are not aware of it. (2:9)

Do not be deceived by the fact that those who disbelieve move freely about the earth. (3:196)

The hypocrites think they deceive Allah, but He is deceiving them. When they get up to pray, they get up lazily, showing off to people, and only remembering Allah a very little. (4:142)

If they intend to deceive you, Allah is enough for you. It is He Who supported you with His help and with the believers. (8:62)

On the Day the Last Hour arrives, the evildoers will swear they have not even tarried for an hour. That is the extent to which they are deceived. (30:55)

No one disputes Allah's Signs except those who disbelieve. Do not let their free movement about the earth deceive you. (40:4)

### **DECIDING THINGS BY MEANS OF DIVINING ARROWS**

Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and ani-

mals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviance. Today those who disbelieve have despaired of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3)

### **DEFEAT**

Allah only did this for it to be good news for you and so that your hearts might be set at rest by it (help comes from no one but Allah, the Almighty, the All-Wise) and so that He might cut off a group of those who disbelieve or crush them and they might be turned back in defeat. (3:126-127)

They were defeated then and there, transformed into humbled men. (7:119)

The Romans have been defeated in the land nearby, but after their defeat they will themselves be victorious (30:2-3)

### **DELIGHT**

If only the People of the Book had believed and guarded against evil, We would have erased their evil deeds from them and admitted them into Gardens of Delight. (5:65)

Their Lord gives them the good news of His mercy and good pleasure and Gardens where they will enjoy everlasting delight. (9:21)

But as for those who believe and do right actions, their Lord will guide them by their faith. Rivers will flow under them in Gardens of Delight. (10:9)

(A voice called out to Maryam,) 'Eat and drink and delight your eyes. If you should see anyone at all, just say, "I have made a vow of abstinence to the All-Merciful and today I will not speak to any human being." (19:26)

(Allah said to Musa,) 'When your sister went and said, "Shall I direct you to someone who will take care of him?" that was how We returned you to your mother so that she might delight her eyes

and not be grieved. You killed a man and We rescued you from trouble and tested you with many trials. You stayed some years among the people of Madyan. Then you arrived at the pre-ordained time, Musa!' (20:40)

Sovereignty on that Day will be Allah's. He will judge between them. Those who believe and do right actions will be in Gardens of Delight. (22:56)

(Ibrahim said,) 'And make me one of the inheritors of the Garden of Delight.' (26:85)

For those who believe and do right actions there are Gardens of Delight. (31:8)

No self knows the delight that is hidden away for it in recompense for what it used to do. (32:17)

They will have preordained provision: sweet fruits and high honour in Gardens of Delight. (37:41-43)

(Believers will be told,) 'Enter the Garden, you and your wives, delighting in your joy.' (43:70)

Platters and cups of gold will be passed around among them and they will have there all that their hearts desire and their eyes find delight in. You will remain in it timelessly, for ever. (43:71) What comfort and ease they had delighted in! (44:27)

The people who guard against evil will be in Gardens of Delight. (52:17)

Those are the Ones Brought Near in Gardens of Delight. (56:11-12)

But the truth is that if he is one of Those Brought Near, there is solace and sweetness and a Garden of Delight. (56:88-89)

The people who guard against evil will have Gardens of Delight with their Lord. (68:34)

Does each one of them aspire to be admitted into a Garden of Delight? (70:38)

Seeing them, you see delight and a great kingdom. (76:20)

You will recognise in their faces the radiance of delight. (83:24)

## **DELUDER**

Mankind! Have fear of your Lord and fear a day when no father will be able to atone for his son, or son for his father, in any way. Allah's promise is true. So do not let the life of this world delude

you and do not let the Deluder delude you concerning Allah. (31:33)

Mankind! Allah's promise is true. Do not let the life of this world delude you and do not let the Deluder delude you about Allah. (35:5)

They (hypocrites) will call out to them (the believers), 'Were we not with you?' They will reply, 'Indeed you were. But you made trouble for yourselves and hung back and doubted and false hopes deluded you until Allah's command arrived. The Deluder deluded you about Allah.' (57:14)

## **DELUSION**

That is because they say, 'The Fire will only touch us for a number of days.' Their inventions have deluded them in their religion. (3:24)

Every self will taste death. You will be paid your wages in full on the Day of Rising. Anyone who is distanced from the Fire and admitted to the Garden has triumphed. The life of this world is just the enjoyment of delusion. (3:185)

He (Satan) makes promises to them and fills them with false hopes. But what Satan promises them is nothing but delusion. (4:120)

Abandon those who have turned their religion into a game and a diversion and who have been deluded by the life of this world. Remind by it lest a person is delivered up to destruction for what he has earned with no protector or intercessor besides Allah. Were he to offer every kind of compensation, it would not be accepted from him. Such people are delivered up to destruction for what they have earned. They will have scalding water to drink and a painful punishment because they disbelieved. (6:70)

In this way We have appointed as enemies to every Prophet Satans from both mankind and from the jinn, who inspire each other with delusions by means of specious words—if your Lord had willed, they would not have done it, so abandon them and all they fabricate. (6:112)

Company of jinn and men! Did not Messengers come to you from among yourselves relating My Signs to you and warning you of the encounter of this Day of yours? They will say, 'We testify against ourselves.' The life of this world deluded

them and they will testify against themselves that they were disbelievers. (6:130)

(Companions of the Garden will say, 'Disbelievers are) those who took their religion as a diversion and a game, and were deluded by the life of this world.' Today We will forget them just as they forgot the encounter of this Day and denied Our Signs. (7:51)

And when the hypocrites and those with sickness in their hearts said, 'These people have been deluded by their religion.' But those who put their trust in Allah will find Allah to be Almighty, All-Wise. (8:49)

(Allah said to Satan,) 'Stir up any of them you can with your voice and rally against them your cavalry and your infantry and share with them in their children and their wealth and make them promises! The promise of Satan is nothing but delusion.' (17:64)

Mankind! Have fear of your Lord and fear a day when no father will be able to atone for his son, or son for his father, in any way. Allah's promise is true. So do not let the life of this world delude you and do not let the Deluder delude you concerning Allah. (31:33)

When the hypocrites and people with sickness in their hearts said, 'What Allah and His Messenger promised us was mere delusion.' (33:12)

Mankind! Allah's promise is true. Do not let the life of this world delude you and do not let the Deluder delude you about Allah. (35:5)

Say: 'Have you thought about your partner gods, those you call upon besides Allah? Show me what they have created of the earth; or do they have a partnership in the heavens?' Have We given them a Book whose Clear Signs they follow? No indeed! The wrongdoers promise each other nothing but delusion. (35:40)

No one disputes Allah's Signs except those who disbelieve. Do not let their free movement about the earth deceive you. (40:4)

They (disbelievers) will be told, 'Today We have forgotten you as you forgot the meeting of this your Day. Your refuge is the Fire and you have no helpers. That is because you made a mockery of Allah's Signs and the life of this world deluded you.' Therefore, today they will not get out of it.

They will not be able to appease Allah. (45:34-35)  
They (hypocrites) will call out to them (the believers), 'Were we not with you?' They will reply, 'Indeed you were. But you made trouble for yourselves and hung back and doubted and false hopes deluded you until Allah's command arrived. The Deluder deluded you about Allah.' (57:14)

Know that the life of this world is merely a game and a diversion and ostentation and a cause of boasting among yourselves and trying to outdo one another in wealth and children: like the plant-growth after rain which delights the cultivators, but then it withers and you see it turning yellow, and then it becomes broken stubble. In the hereafter there is terrible punishment but also forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure. The life of this world is nothing but the enjoyment of delusion. (57:20)

Who is there who could be a force for you, to come to your support, apart from the All-Merciful? The disbelievers are only living in delusion. (67:20)  
O man! What has deluded you in respect of your Noble Lord? (82:6)

## DEMAND FOR GRATITUDE

Those who spend their wealth in the Way of Allah, and then do not follow what they have spent by demands for gratitude or insulting words will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:262)

You who believe! Do not nullify your charity by demands for gratitude or insulting words, like him who spends his wealth, showing off to people and not believing in Allah and the Last Day. His likeness is that of a smooth rock coated with soil, which, when heavy rain falls on it, is left stripped bare. They have no power over anything they have earned. Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (2:264)

He (Pharaoh) said (to Musa), 'Did we not bring you up among us as a child and did you not spend many years of your life among us? Yet you did the deed you did and were ungrateful.' (26:18-19)

(Musa said to Pharaoh,) 'And anyway you can only reproach me with this favour because you made the tribe of Israel into slaves!' (26:22)

They think they have done you a favour by becoming Muslims! Say: 'Do not consider your Islam a favour to me. No indeed! It is Allah Who has favoured you by guiding you to faith if you are telling the truth.' (49:17)

## DEMON

A demon of the jinn said, 'I will bring it to you before you get up from your seat. I am strong and trustworthy enough to do it.' (27:39)

## DEPRAVITY

And when Lut he said to his people: 'Do you approach depravity with open eyes?' (27:54)

And (I swear by) the self and what proportioned it and inspired it with depravity or sense of duty, he who purifies it has succeeded, he who covers it up has failed. (91:7-10)

## DESCENDANT

Remember when Ibrahim was tested by his Lord with certain words which he carried out completely. He said, 'I will make you a model for mankind.' He asked, 'And what of my descendants?' He said, 'My contract does not include the wrongdoers.' (2:124)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord, make us both Muslims submitted to You, and our descendants a Muslim community submitted to You. Show us our rites of worship and turn towards us. You are the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful.' (2:128)

Allah chose Adam and Nuh and the family of Ibrahim and the family of 'Imran over all other beings—descendants one of the other. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (3:33-34)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, each of whom We guided. And before him We had guided Nuh. And among his descendants were Dawud and Sulayman, and Ayyub, Yusuf, Musa and Harun. That is how We recompense the good-doers. (6:84) And some of their forebears, descendants and brothers; We chose them and guided them to a straight path. (6:87)

Your Lord is the Rich Beyond Need, the Possessor of Mercy. If He wanted, He could remove you and replace you with anything else He wanted to, just as He produced you from the descendants of an-

other people. (6:133)

When your Lord took out all their descendants from the loins of the children of Adam and made them testify against themselves 'Am I not your Lord?' they said, 'We testify that indeed You are!' Lest you say on the Day of Rising, 'We knew nothing of this.' (7:172)

(Ibrahim said,) 'My Lord! Make me and my descendants people who perform prayer. My Lord! Accept my prayer.' (14:40)

Descendants of those We carried with Nuh. He was a grateful servant. (17:3)

He (Diabolis) said, 'Do you see this creature you have honoured over me? If You reprove me till the Day of Rising, I will be the master of his descendants except for a very few.' (17:62)

Those are some of the Prophets Allah has blessed, from the descendants of Adam and from those We carried with Nuh, and from the descendants of Ibrahim and Isra'il and from those We guided and chose. When the Signs of the All-Merciful were recited to them they fell on their faces, weeping, in prostration. (19:58)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub and placed Prophethood and the Book among his progeny. We gave him his reward in this world and in the hereafter he will be among the righteous. (29:27)

We rescued him (Nuh) and his family from the terrible plight and made his descendants the survivors; (37:6-77)

We showered blessings upon him and upon Ishaq. Among their descendants are good-doers and also people who clearly wrong themselves. (37:113)

We have instructed man to be good to his parents. His mother bore him with difficulty and with difficulty gave birth to him; and his bearing and weaning take thirty months. Then when he achieves his full strength and reaches forty, he says, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing You bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You. And make my descendants righteous. I have repented to You and I am truly one of the Muslims.' (46:15)

We sent Nuh and Ibrahim and placed Prophethood and the Book among their descendants. Some of them are guided but many of them are deviators. (57:26)

## **DESERT**

He (Yusuf) raised his parents up onto the throne. The others fell prostrate in front of him. He said, 'My father, truly this is now the interpretation of the dream I had. My Lord has made it all come true; and He was kind to me by letting me out of prison and brought you from the desert when Satan had caused dissent between me and my brothers. My Lord is kind to anyone He wills. He is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise.' (12:100)  
But the actions of those who disbelieve are like a mirage in the desert. A thirsty man thinks it is water but when he reaches it, he finds it to be nothing at all, but he finds Allah there. He will pay him his account in full. Allah is swift at reckoning. (24:39)

They think that the Confederates have not departed and if the Confederates did appear then they would wish they were out in the desert with the Arabs, asking for news of you. If they were with you they would only fight a very little. (33:20)

## **DESERT ARABS**

The desert arabs came with their excuses asking for permission to stay, and those who lied to Allah and His Messenger stayed behind. A painful punishment will afflict those among them who disbelieve. (9:90)

The desert arabs are more obdurate in disbelief and hypocrisy and more likely not to know the limits which Allah has sent down to His Messenger. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:97)

Among the desert arabs there are some who regard what they give as an imposition and are waiting for your fortunes to change. The evil turn of fortune will be theirs! Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (9:98)

And among the desert arabs there are some who believe in Allah and the Last Day and regard what they give as something which will bring them nearer to Allah and to the prayers of the Messenger. It does indeed bring them near. Allah will admit them into His mercy. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:99)

Some of the desert Arabs around you are hyp-

ocrites and some of the people of Madina are obdurate in their hypocrisy. You do not know them but We know them. We will punish them twice over and then they will be returned to a terrible punishment. (9:101)

It was not for people of Madina, and the desert arabs around them, to remain behind the Messenger of Allah nor to prefer themselves to him. That is because no thirst or weariness or hunger will afflict them in the Way of Allah, nor will they take a single step to infuriate the disbelievers, nor secure any gain from the enemy, without a right action being written down for them because of it. Allah does not let the wage of the good-doers go to waste. (9:120)

They think that the Confederates have not departed and if the Confederates did appear then they would wish they were out in the desert with the Arabs, asking for news of you. If they were with you they would only fight a very little. (33:20)

Those (desert) Arabs who remained behind will say to you, 'Our wealth and families kept us occupied, so ask forgiveness for us.' They say with their tongues what is not in their hearts. Say: 'Who can control Allah for you in any way whether He wants harm for you or wants benefit for you?' Allah is aware of what you do. (48:11)

Say to the (desert) Arabs who remained behind: 'You will be called up against a people who possess great force whom you must fight unless they submit. If you obey, Allah will give you an excellent reward. But if you turn your backs as you did before, He will punish you with a painful punishment.' (48:16)

The desert Arabs say, 'We believe.' Say: 'You do not believe. Say rather, "We have become Muslim," for faith has not yet entered into your hearts. If you obey Allah and His Messenger, He will not undervalue your actions in any way. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (49:14)

## **DESPAIR**

(Ya'qub said,) 'My sons! Seek news of Yusuf and his brother. Do not despair of solace from Allah. No one despairs of solace from Allah except for people who are disbelievers.' (12:87)

They (messengers) said (to Ibrahim), 'We bring you good news of the truth, so do not be among those who despair.' (15:55)

When We bless man, he turns away and draws aside. When evil touches him, he despairs. (17:83)

Say (from Me): 'My servants, you who have transgressed against yourselves, do not despair of the mercy of Allah. Truly Allah forgives all wrong actions. He is the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful.' (39:53)

## DESTINATION

And when Ibrahim said, 'My Lord, make this a place of safety and provide its inhabitants with fruits—all of them who believe in Allah and the Last Day,' He said, 'I will let anyone who becomes a disbeliever enjoy himself a little but then I will drive him to the punishment of the Fire. What an evil destination!' (2:126)

The believers should not take disbelievers as friends rather than believers. Anyone who does that has nothing to do with Allah at all—unless it is because you are afraid of them. Allah advises you to be afraid of Him. Allah is the final destination. (3:28)

Is someone who pursues the pleasure of Allah the same as someone who incurs displeasure from Allah and whose refuge is Hell? What an evil destination! (3:162)

The angels ask those they take while they are wronging themselves, 'What were your circumstances?' They reply, 'We were oppressed on earth.' They say, 'Was Allah's earth not wide enough for you to have migrated elsewhere in it?' The shelter of such people will be Hell. What an evil destination! (4:97)

But if anyone opposes the Messenger after the guidance has become clear to him, and follows other than the path of the believers, We will hand him over to whatever he has turned to, and We will roast him in Hell. What an evil destination! (4:115)

The Jews and Christians say, 'We are Allah's children and His loved ones.' Say: 'Why, then, does He punish you for your wrong actions? No, you are merely human beings among those He has

created. He forgives whoever He wills and He punishes whoever He wills. The kingdom of the heavens and the earth and everything between them belongs to Allah. He is our final destination.' (5:18)

Anyone who turns his back on them that day, unless he is withdrawing to rejoin the fight or withdrawing to support another group, brings Allah's anger down upon himself. His refuge is Hell. What an evil destination! (8:16)

O Prophet, strive against the disbelievers and hypocrites and be harsh with them. Their shelter will be Hell. What an evil destination! (9:73)  
They have made others equal to Allah to misguide people from His Way. Say: 'Enjoy yourselves! Your destination is the Fire!' (14:30)

How many wrongdoing cities I allowed time to and then I seized them. I am their final destination! (22:48)

When Our Signs are recited to them—Clear Signs—you can detect denial in the faces of those who disbelieve. They all but assault those who recite Our Signs to them! Say: 'Shall I inform you of something worse than that? The Fire which Allah has promised those who disbelieve. What an evil destination!' (22:72)

The kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs to Allah and Allah is the final destination. (24:42)

Do not imagine that those who disbelieve are able to escape Allah on earth. Their shelter will be the Fire. What an evil destination! (24:57)

Say: 'Is that better, or the Garden of Eternal Life which has been promised to those who guard against evil? That is their recompense and destination.' (25:15)

We have instructed man concerning his parents. Bearing him caused his mother great debility and the period of his weaning was two years: 'Give thanks to Me and to your parents. I am your final destination.' (31:14)

No burden-bearer can bear another's burden. If someone weighed down calls for help to bear his load, none of it will be borne for him, even by his next of kin. You can only warn those who fear their Lord in the Unseen and perform prayer. Whoever is purified, is purified for himself alone. Allah is your final destination. (35:18)

Then their destination will be the Blazing Fire. (37:68)

The Forgiver of wrong action, the Acceptor of repentance, the Severe in retribution, the Possessor of abundance. There is no god but Him. He is the final destination. (40:3)

So call and go straight as you have been ordered to. Do not follow their whims and desires but say, 'I believe in a Book sent down by Allah and I am ordered to be just between you. Allah is our Lord and your Lord. We have our actions and you have your actions. There is no debate between us and you. Allah will gather us all together. He is our final destination.' (42:15)

And so that He might punish the men and women of the hypocrites and the men and women of the idolaters--those who think bad thoughts about Allah. They will suffer an evil turn of fate. Allah is angry with them, and has cursed them and prepared Hell for them. What an evil destination! (48:6)

It is We Who give life and cause to die and We are their final destination. (50:43)

(Believers will say to the hypocrites,) 'So today no ransom will be accepted from you or from those who disbelieved. Your refuge is the Fire. It is your master. What an evil destination!' (57:15)

Do you not see those who were forbidden to confer together secretly returning to the very thing they were forbidden to do, and conferring together secretly in wrongdoing and enmity and disobedience to the Messenger? And when they come to you they greet you with words Allah has never used in greeting you, and say to themselves 'Why does Allah not punish us for what we say?' Hell will be enough for them! They will roast in it. What an evil destination! (58:8)

You have an excellent example in Ibrahim and those with him, when they said to their people, 'We wash our hands of you and all that you worship apart from Allah, and we reject you. Between us and you there will be enmity and hatred for ever unless and until you believe in Allah alone.' Except for Ibrahim's words to his father: 'I will ask forgiveness for you but I have no power to help you in any way against Allah.' 'Our Lord, we have put our trust in You and have repented

to You. You are our final destination.' (60:4)

He created the heavens and the earth with truth and formed you, giving you the best of forms. And He is your final destination. (64:3)

But as for those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs they are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. What an evil destination! (64:10)

O Prophet! Strive against the disbelievers and hypocrites and be harsh with them. Their refuge is Hell. What an evil destination! (66:9)

Those who reject their Lord will have the punishment of Hell. What an evil destination! (67:6)

## **DESTINY (SEE PRE-ORDAINED DECREE)**

### **DESTITUTION - DESTITUTE**

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces--its green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,' he said, 'Do you want to replace what is better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.' Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon themselves. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

The alms are for: the poor, the destitute, those who collect it, reconciling people's hearts, freeing slaves, those in debt, spending in the Way of Allah, and travellers. It is a legal obligation from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:60)

And beggars and the destitute received a due share of their wealth. (51:19)

They (owners of the garden) left early, intent on carrying out their scheme. But when they saw it (the garden), they said, 'We must have lost our way. No, the truth is we are destitute!' (68:25-27)

(Believers are) those in whose wealth there is a known share for beggars and the destitute. (70:24-25)

### **DEVIANCE**

You who believe! When you take on a debt for a

specified period, write it down. A writer should write it down between you justly. No writer should refuse to write; as Allah has taught him, so he should write. The one incurring the debt should dictate and should have fear of Allah his Lord and not reduce it in any way. If the person incurring the debt is incompetent or weak or unable to dictate, then his guardian should dictate for him justly. Two men among you should act as witnesses. But if there are not two men, then a man and two women with whom you are satisfied as witnesses; then if one of them forgets, the other can remind her. Witnesses should not refuse when they are called upon. Do not think it too trivial to write down, whether small or large, with the date that it falls due. Doing that is more just in Allah's sight and more helpful when bearing witness and more likely to eliminate any doubt—unless it is an immediate transaction hand to hand, taken and given without delay. There is nothing wrong in your not writing that down. Call witnesses when you trade. Neither writer nor witness should be put under pressure. If you do that, it is deviancy on your part. Have fear of Allah and Allah will give you knowledge. Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:282)

Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and animals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviancy. Today those who disbelieve have despaired of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3)

Do not eat anything over which the name of Allah has not been mentioned. To do so is sheer deviancy. The Satans inspire their friends to dispute

with you. If you obeyed them you would then be idolaters. (6:121)

Say: 'I do not find, in what has been revealed to me, any food it is forbidden to eat except for carrion, flowing blood, and pork—for that is unclean—or some deviance consecrated to other than Allah. But if anyone is forced to eat it, without desiring to or going to excess in it, your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (6:145)

(Our Messengers said to Lut,) 'We will bring down on the inhabitants of this city a devastating punishment from heaven because of their deviance.' (29:34)

Know that the Messenger of Allah is among you. If he were to obey you in many things, you would suffer for it. However, Allah has given you love of faith and made it pleasing to your hearts, and has made disbelief, deviance and disobedience hateful to you. People such as these are rightly guided. (49:7)

## DEVIATORS

Allah is not ashamed to make an example of a gnat or of an even smaller thing. As for those who believe, they know it is the truth from their Lord. But as for those who disbelieve, they say, 'What does Allah mean by this example?' He misguides many by it and guides many by it. But He only misguides the deviators. (2:26)

But those who did wrong substituted words other than those they had been given. So We sent down a plague from heaven on those who did wrong because they were deviators. (2:59)

We have sent down Clear Signs to you and no one rejects them except the deviators. (2:99)

Any who turn away after that are deviators. (3:82)

You are the best nation ever to be produced before mankind. You enjoin the right, forbid the wrong and believe in Allah. If the People of the Book were to believe, it would be better for them. Some of them are believers but most of them are deviators. (3:110)

He (Musa) said, 'My Lord, I have no control over anyone but myself and my brother, so make a clear distinction between us and this deviant people.' (5:25)

The people of the Gospel should judge by what Allah sent down in it. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are deviators. (5:47)

Judge between them by what Allah has sent down and do not follow their whims and desires. And beware of them lest they lure you away from some of what Allah has sent down to you. If they turn their backs, then know that Allah wants to afflict them with some of their wrong actions. Many of mankind are deviators. (5:49)

Say: 'People of the Book! Do you resent us for any other reason than that we believe in Allah and what was sent down to us, and what was sent down before, and because most of you are deviators?' (5:59)

If they had believed in Allah and the Prophet and what has been sent down to him, they would not have taken them as friends. But most of them are deviators. (5:81)

That makes it more likely that they will give their evidence properly or be afraid that their oaths will be refuted by subsequent oaths. Have fear of Allah and listen carefully. Allah does not guide deviant people. (5:108)

The punishment will fall on those who deny Our Signs because they were deviators. (6:49)

We did not find many of them worthy of their contract. We found most of them deviators. (7:102)

We wrote about everything for him on the Tablets as an admonition and making all things clear. 'Seize hold of it vigorously and command your people to adopt the best in it. I will show you the home of the deviators!' (7:145)

Ask them about the town which was by the sea when they broke the Sabbath--when their fish came to them near the surface on their Sabbath day but did not come on the days which they did not keep the Sabbath. In this way We put them to the test because they were deviators. (7:163)

Then when they forgot what they had been reminded of, We rescued those who had forbidden the evil and seized those who did wrong with a harsh punishment because they were deviators. (7:165)

How indeed! For if they get the upper hand over

you, they will respect neither kinship nor treaty. They please you with their mouths but their hearts belie their words. Most of them are deviators. (9:8)

Say: 'If your fathers or your sons or your brothers or your wives or your tribe, or any wealth you have acquired, or any business you fear may slump, or any house which pleases you, are dearer to you than Allah and His Messenger and striving in His Way, then wait until Allah brings about His command. Allah does not guide people who are deviators.' (9:24)

Say: 'Whether you give readily or reluctantly, it will not be accepted from you. You are people who are deviators.' (9:53)

The men and women of the hypocrites are as bad as one another. They command what is wrong and forbid what is right and keep their fists tightly closed. They have forgotten Allah, so He has forgotten them. The hypocrites are deviators. (9:67) You can ask forgiveness for them, or not ask for forgiveness for them. Even if you asked forgiveness for them seventy times, Allah still would not forgive them. That is because they have rejected Allah and His Messenger. Allah does not guide deviant people. (9:80)

Never pray over any of them who die or stand at their graves. They rejected Allah and His Messenger and died as deviators. (9:84)

They will swear to you to make you pleased with them, but even if you are pleased with them, Allah is certainly not pleased with deviant people. (9:96)

In that way the Word of your Lord is realised against those who are deviators, in that they do not believe. (10:33)

We gave right judgement and knowledge to Lut and rescued him from the city which committed disgusting acts. They were evil people who were deviators. (21:74)

But those who make accusations against chaste women and then do not produce four witnesses: flog them with eighty lashes and never again accept them as witnesses. Such people are deviators. (24:4)

Allah has promised those of you who believe and do right actions that He will make them suc-

sors in the land as He made those before them successors, and will firmly establish for them their religion with which He is pleased and give them, in place of their fear, security. ‘They worship Me, not associating anything with Me.’ Any who disbelieve after that, such people are deviators. (24:55)

(A voice called out to Musa,) ‘Put your hand inside your shirt front. It will emerge pure white, yet quite unharmed—one of nine Signs to Pharaoh and his people. They are a people of deviators.’ (27:12)

(A voice called out to Musa,) ‘Put your hand inside your shirt front. It will emerge pure white yet quite unharmed. And hug your arms to your sides to still your fear. These are two proofs from your Lord for Pharaoh and his ruling circle. They are a deviant people.’ (28:32)

Is someone who believes like someone who is a deviator? They are not the same! (32:18)

But as for those who are deviators, their refuge is the Fire. Every time that they want to get out, they are put straight back into it again and they are told, ‘Taste the punishment of the Fire, which you denied.’ (32:20)

In that way he (Pharaoh) swayed his people and they succumbed to him. They were a people of deviators. (43:54)

On the Day when those who disbelieved are exposed to the Fire: ‘You dissipated the good things you had in your worldly life and enjoyed yourself in it. So today you are being repaid with the punishment of humiliation for being arrogant in the earth without any right and for being deviators.’ (46:20)

So be steadfast as the Messengers with firm resolve were also steadfast. And do not seek to hasten it for them. On the Day they see what they were promised, it will be as if they had only tarried for just one hour of a single day. It has been transmitted! Will any be destroyed except for deviant people? (46:35)

You who believe! If a deviator brings you a report, scrutinize it carefully in case you attack people in ignorance and so come to greatly regret what you have done. (49:6)

And the people of Nuh before, they were a people of deviators. (51:46)

Has the time not arrived for the hearts of those

who believe to yield to the remembrance of Allah and to the truth He has sent down, so they are not like those who were given the Book before for whom the time seemed over long so that their hearts became hard? Many of them are deviators. (57:16)

We sent Nuh and Ibrahim and placed Prophethood and the Book among their descendants. Some of them are guided but many of them are deviators. (57:26)

Then We sent Our Messengers following in their footsteps and sent ‘Isa son of Maryam after them, giving him the Gospel. We put compassion and mercy in the hearts of those who followed him. They invented monasticism—We did not prescribe it for them—purely out of desire to gain the pleasure of Allah, but even so they did not observe it as it should have been observed. To those of them who believed We gave their reward but many of them are deviators. (57:27)

Whatever palm-trees you cut down, or left standing upright on their roots, it was done by Allah’s permission in order to disgrace the deviators. (59:5)

Do not be like those who forgot Allah so He made them forget themselves. Such people are the deviators. (59:19)

Remember when Musa said to his people, ‘My people, why do you mistreat me when you know that I am the Messenger of Allah to you?’ So when they deviated, Allah made their hearts deviate. Allah does not guide people who are deviators. (61:5)

In their case it makes no difference whether you ask forgiveness for them or do not ask forgiveness for them. Allah will never forgive them. Allah does not guide deviant people. (63:6)

(Say: ‘It has been revealed to me that a band of the jinn listened and said,) “Some of us are Muslims and some are deviators. Those who have become Muslim are those who sought right guidance; the deviators will be firewood for Hellfire.” (72:14-15)

## DEVOUTNESS

Do you order people to devoutness and forget yourselves, when you recite the Book? Will you

not use your intellect? (2:44)

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

They will ask you about the crescent moons. Say, 'They are set times for mankind and for the pilgrimage.' It is not devoutness for you to enter houses by the back. Rather devoutness is possessed by those who guard against evil. So come to houses by their doors and have fear of Allah, so that hopefully you will be successful. (2:189)

## DHIKR (SEE REMINDER)

### DHU'L-KIFL (AS)

Remember Our servants Isma'il, Al-Yasa' and Dhu'l-Kifl; each of them was among the best of men. (38:48)

### DHU'L-QARNAYN

They will ask you about Dhu'l-Qarnayn. Say: 'I will tell you something about him.' We gave him power and authority on the earth and granted him a way to everything. So he followed a way until he reached the setting of the sun and found it setting in a muddy spring and found a people by it. We said, 'Dhu'l-Qarnayn! You can either punish them or else you can treat them with gentleness.' He said, 'As for those who do wrong, we will punish them and then they will be returned to their Lord and He will punish them with a dreadful punishment. But as for him who believes and acts rightly, he will receive the best of rewards and we will issue a command, making things easy for him.' Then he followed a way until he reached the rising of the sun and found it rising on a people to whom We had not given any shelter from it. Our knowl-

edge encompasses all that happened to him. Then he followed a path until he arrived between the two mountains where he found a people scarcely able to understand speech. They said, 'Dhu'l-Qarnayn! Yajuj and Majuj are causing corruption in the land. Can we, therefore, pay tribute to you in return for your constructing a barrier between us and them?' He said, 'The power my Lord has granted me is better than that. Just give me a strong helping hand and I will build a solid barrier between you and them. Bring me ingots of iron!' Then, when he had made it level between the two high mountain-sides, he said, 'Blow!' and when he had made it a red hot fire, he said, 'Bring me molten brass to pour over it.' They were, therefore, unable to climb over it nor were they able to make a breach in it. He said, 'This is a mercy from my Lord. But when my Lord's promise comes about, He will crush it flat. The promise of my Lord is surely true.' (18:83-98)

### DIABOLIS (IBLIS)

We said to the angels, 'Prostrate to Adam!' and they prostrated, with the exception of Diabolis. He refused and was arrogant and was one of the disbelievers. (2:34)

We created you and then formed you and then We said to the angels, 'Prostrate before Adam,' and they prostrated—except for Diabolis. He was not among those who prostrated. (7:11)

Then the angels prostrated all together, every one of them—except Diabolis. He disdained to be one of the prostrators. He said, 'Diabolis, what is it that prevents you being among the prostrators?' He said, 'I will not prostrate to a human being whom You have created out of dried clay formed from fetid black mud.' He said, 'Get out from here, you are accursed. The curse will be on you till the Day of Reckoning.' He said, 'My Lord, grant me a reprieve until the Day they are raised again.' He said, 'You are among the reprieved until the Day whose time is known.' He said, 'My Lord, because You misled me, I will make things on the earth seem good to them and I will mislead them all, every one of them, except Your servants among them who are sincere.' He said, 'This is a Straight Path to Me. You have no au-

thority over any of My servants except for the misled who follow you.' (15:30-42)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam!' they prostrated, except for Diabolis. He said 'What! Am I to prostrate to one You have created out of clay?' (17:61)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam,' they prostrated with the exception of Diabolis. He was one of the jinn and wantonly deviated from his Lord's command. Do you take him and his offspring as protectors apart from Me when they are your enemy? How evil is the exchange the wrongdoers make! (18:50)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam!' they prostrated, with the exception of Diabolis who disdained to do it. (20:116)

They will be bundled into it head first, they and the misled, and every one of Diabolis's regiments. (26:94-95)

Diabolis was correct in his assessment of them and they followed him, except for a group of the believers. (34:20)

So the angels prostrated, all of them together, except for Diabolis who was arrogant and was one of the disbelievers. (38:73-74)

He said, 'Diabolis, what prevented you prostrating to what I created with My own Hands? Were you overcome by arrogance or are you one of the exalted?' (38:75)

### **(CAUSING TO DIE**

How can you reject Allah, when you were dead and then He gave you life, then He will make you die and then give you life again, then you will be returned to Him? (2:28)

What about the one who argued with Ibrahim about his Lord, on the basis that Allah had given him sovereignty? Ibrahim said, 'My Lord is He Who gives life and causes to die.' He said, 'I too give life and cause to die.' Ibrahim said, 'Allah makes the sun come from the East. Make it come from the West.' And the one who was a disbeliever was dumbfounded. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (2:258)

Muhammad is only a Messenger and he has been preceded by other Messengers. If he were to die or be killed, would you turn on your heels?

Those who turn on their heels do not harm Allah in any way. Allah will recompense the thankful. (3:144)

You who believe! Do not be like those who disbelieve and say of their brothers, when they are going on journeys or military expeditions, 'If they had only been with us, they would not have died or been killed,' so that Allah can make that anguish for them in their hearts. It is Allah Who gives life and causes to die. Allah sees what you do. (3:156)

If you are killed in the Way of Allah or if you die, forgiveness and mercy from Allah are better than anything you can acquire. (3:157)

If you die or you are killed, it is to Allah that you will be gathered. (3:158)

Say: 'Mankind! I am the Messenger of Allah to you all, of Him to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs. There is no god but Him. He gives life and causes to die.' So believe in Allah and His Messenger, the Ummi, who believes in Allah and His words, and follow him so that hopefully you will be guided! (7:158)

Allah is He to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs. He gives life and causes to die. You have no protector or helper besides Allah. (9:116)

He gives life and causes to die and you will be returned to Him. (10:56)

It is We Who give life and cause to die and We are the Inheritor. (15:23)

Those who migrate in the Way of Allah and then are killed or die, Allah will provide for them handsomely. Truly Allah is the best Provider. (22:58)

It is He Who gave you life and then will cause you to die and then will give you life again. Man is truly ungrateful. (22:66)

It is He Who gives life and causes to die and His is the alternation of the night and day. So will you not use your intellect? (23:80)

Allah is He Who created you, then provides for you, then will cause you to die and then bring you back to life. Can any of your partner-gods do any of that? Glory be to Him and may He be exalted above anything they associate with Him! (30:40)

They will say, 'Our Lord, twice You caused us to die and twice You gave us life. We admit our wrong actions. Is there no way out?' (40:11)

It is He Who gives life and causes to die. When He decides on something, He just says to it, 'Be!' and it is. (40:68)

There is no god but Him—He gives life and causes to die—your Lord and the Lord of your forefathers, the previous peoples. (44:8)

Say: 'Allah gives you life, then causes you to die, and then will gather you together for the Day of Rising about which there is no doubt. But most people do not know it.' (45:26)

It is We Who give life and cause to die and We are their final destination. (50:43)

The kingdom of the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. He gives life and causes to die. He has power over all things. (57:2)

Then He causes him to die and buries him. (80:21)

## DIFFERENCE

The Jews say, 'The Christians have nothing to stand on,' and the Christians say, 'The Jews have nothing to stand on,' yet they both recite the Book. Those who do not know say the same as they say. Allah will judge between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things about which they differ. (2:113)

That is because Allah has sent down the Book with truth and those who differ from the Book are entrenched in hostility. (2:176)

Mankind was a single community. Then Allah sent out Prophets bringing good news and giving warning, and with them He sent down the Book with truth to decide between people regarding their differences. Only those who were given it differed about it, after the Clear Signs had come to them, envying one another. Then, by His permission, Allah guided those who believed to the truth of that about which they had differed. Allah guides whoever He wills to a straight path. (2:213)

When Allah said, "Isa, I will take you back and raise you up to Me and purify you of those who disbelieve. And I will place the people who follow you above those who disbelieve until the

Day of Rising. Then you will all return to Me, and I will judge between you regarding the things about which you differed." (3:55)

Do not be like those who split up and differed after the Clear Signs came to them. They will have a terrible punishment. (3:105)

And We have sent down the Book to you with truth, confirming and conserving the previous Books. So judge between them by what Allah has sent down and do not follow their whims and desires deviating from the Truth that has come to you. We have appointed a law and a practice for every one of you. Had Allah willed, He would have made you a single community, but He wanted to test you regarding what has come to you. So compete with each other in doing good. Every one of you will return to Allah and He will inform you regarding the things about which you differed. (5:48)

Say: 'Am I to desire other than Allah as Lord when He is the Lord of all things?' What each self earns is for itself alone. No burden-bearer can bear another's burden. Then you will return to your Lord, and He will inform you regarding the things about which you differed. (6:164)

Mankind was only one community but then they differed, and had it not been for a prior Word from your Lord, they would already have been judged in respect of the differences between them. (10:19)

We settled the tribe of Israel in a noble place and gave them good things as provision. They did not differ until knowledge came to them. Your Lord will decide between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things about which they differed. (10:93)

We gave Musa the Book and people differed concerning it and had it not been for a prior Word from your Lord, it would already have been decided between them. They are indeed in grave doubt about it. (11:110, 41:45)

If your Lord had wanted to, He would have made mankind into one community but they persist in their differences. (11:118)

It is so that He can make clear to them the things they differed about and so that those who disbelieved will know that they were liars. (16:39)

We have only sent down the Book to you so that you can make clear to them the things about which they differ, and as a guidance and a mercy to people who believe. (16:64)

Do not be like a woman who spoils the thread she has spun by unravelling it after it is strong, by making your oaths a means of deceiving one another, merely because one community is bigger than another. Allah is only testing you by this. He will make clear to you on the Day of Rising the things about which you differed. (16:92)

The Sabbath was only enjoined on those who differed about it. Your Lord will judge between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things about which they differed. (16:124)

The parties differed among themselves. Woe to those who disbelieve when they are present on a terrible Day! (19:37)

Allah will judge between you on the Day of Rising regarding everything about which you differed. (22:69)

Certainly this Qur'an narrates to the tribe of Israel most of the things about which they differ. (27:76)

On the Day of Rising your Lord will decide between them regarding everything about which they differed. (32:25)

Indeed is the sincere religion not Allah's alone? People who take protectors besides Him (say), 'We only worship them so that they may bring us nearer to Allah'. Allah will judge between them regarding the things about which they differed. Allah does not guide anyone who is an ungrateful liar. (39:3)

Say: 'O Allah, Originator of the heavens and the earth, Knower of the Unseen and the Visible, You will judge between Your servants regarding what they differed about.' (39:46)

The judgement concerning anything you differ about is Allah's concern. That is Allah, my Lord—I have put my trust in Him and to Him I turn. (42:10)

And when 'Isa came with the Clear Signs, he said, 'I have come to you with Wisdom and to clarify for you some of the things about which you have differed. Therefore have fear of Allah and obey me.' (43:63)

The various factions among them differed. Woe then to those who did wrong on account of the punishment of a painful Day! (43:65)

We made the Commandments very clear to them and they only differed after knowledge came to them, tyrannising one other. Your Lord will decide between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things they differed about. (45:17)

About what are they asking one another? About the momentous news: the thing about which they differ. (78:1-3)

### **DIRECTION, THE (QIBLAH)**

The fools among the people will ask, 'What has made them turn round from the direction they used to face?' Say, 'Both East and West belong to Allah. He guides whoever He wills to a straight path.' (2:142)

In this way We have made you a middlemost community, so that you may act as witnesses against mankind and the Messenger as a witness against you. We only appointed the direction you used to face in order to know those who follow the Messenger from those who turn round on their heels. Though in truth it is a very hard thing—except for those Allah has guided. Allah would never let your faith go to waste. Allah is All-Gentle, Most Merciful to mankind. (2:143)

We have seen you looking up into heaven, turning this way and that, so We will turn you towards a direction which will please you. Turn your face, therefore, towards the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Wherever you all are, turn your faces towards it. Those given the Book know it is the truth from their Lord. Allah is not unaware of what they do. (2:144)

If you were to bring every Sign to those given the Book, they still would not follow your direction. You do not follow their direction. They do not follow each other's direction. If you followed their whims and desires, after the knowledge that has come to you, you would then be one of the wrongdoers. (2:145)

Wherever you come from, turn your face to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Wherever you are, turn your faces towards it so that people will have no argument against you—except for

those among them who do wrong and then you should not fear them but rather fear Me—and so that I can complete My blessing to you so that hopefully you will be guided. (2:150)

## DISASTER

Those who, when disaster strikes them, say, 'We belong to Allah and to Him we will return.' (2:156)

Why is it that when a calamity happens to you, when you have already inflicted twice as much, you say, 'How could this possibly happen?' Say, 'It has come from your own selves.' Allah has power over all things. (3:165)

How will it be when a disaster strikes them because of what they have done, and then they come to you swearing by Allah: 'We desired nothing but good and reconciliation'? (4:62)

Among you there are people who hang back and if you encounter a setback then they say, 'Allah has blessed me in that I was not there with them.' (4:72)

You who believe! When one of you is near to death and makes a will, two just men from among you should act as witnesses; or, if you are travelling when the misfortune of death occurs, two men who are strangers to you. You should detain them after prayer and, if you are doubtful, they should swear by Allah: 'We will not sell it for any price, even to a near relative, and we will not conceal the testimony of Allah. If we did we would indeed be wrongdoers.' (5:106)

If good happens to you it galls them. If a mishap occurs to you, they say, 'We made our preparations in advance,' and they turn away rejoicing. (9:50)

If a disaster had struck them because of what they had already done, they would have said, 'Our Lord, why did You not send us a Messenger so that we could have followed Your Signs and been believers?' (28:47)

Any disaster that strikes you is through what your own hands have earned and He pardons much. (42:30)

No misfortune occurs except by Allah's permission. Whoever believes in Allah—He will guide his heart. Allah has knowledge of all things. (64:11)

## DISBELIEVERS (KUFFAR)

Or (their likeness is) that of a storm-cloud in the sky, full of darkness, thunder and lightning. They put their fingers in their ears against the thunderclaps, fearful of death. Allah encompasses the disbelievers. (2:19)

If you do not do that—and you will not do it—then fear the Fire whose fuel is people and stones, made ready for the disbelievers. (2:24)

We said to the angels, 'Prostrate to Adam!' and they prostrated, with the exception of Diabolis. He refused and was arrogant and was one of the disbelievers. (2:34)

When a Book does come to them from Allah, confirming what is with them—even though before that they were praying for victory over the disbelievers—yet when what they recognise does come to them, they reject it. Allah's curse is on the disbelievers. (2:89)

What an evil thing they have sold themselves for in rejecting what Allah has sent down, outraged that Allah should send down His favour on whichever of His servants He wills. They have brought down anger upon anger on themselves. The disbelievers will have a humiliating punishment. (2:90)

Anyone who is the enemy of Allah and of His angels, and of His Messengers and of Gabriel and Michael, should know that Allah is the enemy of the disbelievers.' (2:98)

You who believe! Do not say, 'Listen to us,' say, 'Look at us,' and listen well. The disbelievers will have a painful punishment. (2:104)

Those of the People of the Book who disbelieve and the idolaters do not like anything good to be sent down to you from your Lord. But Allah selects for His mercy whomever He wills. Allah's favour is truly vast. (2:105)

But as for those who disbelieve and die while they are disbelievers, the curse of Allah is upon them and that of the angels and all mankind. (2:161)

Kill them wherever you come across them and expel them from where they expelled you. Corruption is worse than killing. Do not fight them in the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) until they fight you there. But if they do fight you,

then kill them. That is how the disbelievers should be repaid. (2:191)

They will ask you about the Sacred Month and fighting in it. Say, 'Fighting in it is a serious matter; but barring access to the Way of Allah and rejecting Him and barring access to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and expelling its people from it are far more serious in the sight of Allah. Discord is worse than killing.' They will not stop fighting you until they make you revert from your religion, if they are able. As for any of you who revert from their religion and die disbeliever, their actions will come to nothing in this world and the hereafter. They are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:217)

When they came out against Goliath and his troops, they said, 'Our Lord, pour down steadfastness upon us, and make our feet firm, and help us against this disbelieving people.' (2:250) You who believe! Give away some of what We have provided for you before a Day arrives on which there is no trading, no close friendship and no intercession. It is the disbelievers who are the wrongdoers. (2:254)

You who believe! Do not nullify your charity by demands for gratitude or insulting words, like him who spends his wealth, showing off to people and not believing in Allah and the Last Day. His likeness is that of a smooth rock coated with soil, which, when heavy rain falls on it, is left stripped bare. They have no power over anything they have earned. Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (2:264)

Allah does not impose on any self any more than it can stand. For it is what it has earned; against it, what it has brought upon itself. 'Our Lord, do not take us to task if we forget or make a mistake! Our Lord, do not place on us a load like the one You placed on those before us! Our Lord, do not place on us a load we have not the strength to bear! And pardon us; and forgive us; and have mercy on us. You are our Master, so help us against the people of the disbelievers.' (2:286)

There was a sign for you in the two parties which met face to face, one party fighting in the Way of Allah and the other disbelievers. You saw them

as twice their number with your own eyes. Allah reinforces with His help whoever He wills. There is instruction in that for people of insight. (3:13) The believers should not take disbelievers as friends rather than believers. Anyone who does that has nothing to do with Allah at all-unless it is because you are afraid of them. Allah advises you to be afraid of Him. Allah is the final destination. (3:28)

Say, 'Obey Allah and the Messenger.' Then if they turn away, Allah does not love the disbelievers. (3:32)

As for those who disbelieve and die while they are disbelievers, the whole earth filled with gold would not be accepted from any of them if they were to offer it as a ransom. They will have a painful punishment. They will have no helpers. (3:91)

Have fear of the Fire which has been prepared for the disbelievers. (3:131)

All they said was, 'Our Lord, forgive us our wrong actions and any excesses we went to in what we did and make our feet firm and help us against these disbelieving people.' (3:147)

As for those who are tight-fisted and direct others to be tight-fisted, and hide the bounty Allah has given them, We have prepared a humiliating punishment for those who disbelieve. (4:37)

When you are travelling in the land, there is nothing wrong in your shortening your prayer if you fear that those who disbelieve may harass you. The disbelievers are your clear-cut enemies. (4:101)

When you are with them and leading them in prayer, a group of them should stand with you, keeping hold of their weapons. When they prostrate, the others should guard your backs. Then the other group who have not yet prayed should come and pray with you. They too should be careful and keep hold of their weapons. Those who disbelieve would like you to be negligent of your arms and equipment so that they can swoop down on you once and for all. There is nothing wrong, if you are bothered by rain or you are ill, in laying your weapons down; but take every precaution. Allah has prepared a humiliating punishment for the disbelievers. (4:102)

Do those who take the disbelievers as protectors, rather than the believers, hope to find power and strength with them? Power and strength belong entirely to Allah. (4:139)

It has been sent down to you in the Book that when you hear Allah's Signs being rejected and mocked at by people, you must not sit with them till they start talking of other things. If you do you are just the same as them. Allah will gather all the hypocrites and disbelievers into Hell. (4:140) Those who anticipate the worst for you say, 'Were we not with you?' whenever you gain a victory from Allah, but if the disbelievers have a success they say, 'Did we not have the upper hand over you and yet in spite of that keep the believers away from you?' Allah will judge between you on the Day of Rising. Allah will not give the disbelievers any way against the believers. (4:141)

You who believe! Do not take the disbelievers as friends rather than the believers. Do you want to give Allah clear proof against you? (4:144)

Such people are the true disbelievers. We have prepared a humiliating punishment for the disbelievers. (4:151)

And because of their taking usury when they were forbidden to do it, and because of their consuming people's wealth by wrongful means, We have prepared for the disbelievers among them a painful punishment. (4:161)

We sent down the Torah containing guidance and light, and the Prophets who had submitted themselves gave judgement by it for the Jews—as did their scholars and their rabbis—by what they had been allowed to preserve of Allah's Book to which they were witnesses. Do not be afraid of people, be afraid of Me. And do not sell My Signs for a paltry price. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are disbelievers. (5:44)

You who believe! If any of you renounce your religion, Allah will bring forward a people whom He loves and who love Him, humble to the believers, fierce to the disbelievers, who strive in the Way of Allah and do not fear the blame of any censurer. That is the unbounded favour of Allah which He gives to whoever He wills. Allah

is Boundless, All-Knowing. (5:54)

You who believe! Do not take as friends any of those who make a mockery and a game out of your religion among the ones who were given the Book before you or the disbelievers. Have fear of Allah if you are believers. (5:57)

O Messenger! Transmit what has been sent down to you from your Lord. If you do not do it you will not have transmitted His Message. Allah will protect you from people. Allah does not guide the people of the disbelievers. (5:67)

Say: 'People of the Book! You have nothing to stand on until you implement the Torah and the Gospel and what has been sent down to you from your Lord.' What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of them in insolence and disbelief. So do not waste your grief on the people of the disbelievers. (5:68)

Is someone who was dead and whom We brought to life, supplying him with a light by which to walk among people, the same as someone who is in utter darkness, unable to emerge from it? That is how what they were doing is made to seem attractive to the disbelievers. (6:122)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs? Such people's portion of the Book will catch up with them so that when Our messengers come to them to take them in death, saying, 'Where are those you called upon besides Allah?' they will say, 'They have forsaken us,' testifying against themselves that they were disbelievers. (7:37)

You who believe! When you encounter those who disbelieve advancing in massed ranks into battle, do not turn your backs on them. (8:15)

That is your reward. Allah always confounds the schemes of the disbelievers. (8:18)

O Prophet! Spur on the believers to fight. If there are twenty of you who are steadfast, they will overcome two hundred; and if there are a hundred of you, they will overcome a thousand of those who disbelieve, because they are people who do not understand. (8:65)

They desire to extinguish Allah's Light with their mouths. But Allah refuses to do other than perfect His Light, even though the disbelievers detest it. (9:32)

Deferring a sacred month is an increase in disbelief by which those who have disbelieved are led astray. One year they make it profane and another sacred to tally with the number Allah has made sacred. In that way they profane what Allah has made sacred. Their bad actions are made to seem good to them. Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (9:37)

Allah has promised the men and women of the hypocrites and disbelievers the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. It will suffice them. Allah has cursed them. They will have everlasting punishment. (9:68)

O Prophet, strive against the disbelievers and hypocrites and be harsh with them. Their shelter will be Hell. What an evil destination! (9:73)

It was not for people of Madina, and the desert arabs around them, to remain behind the Messenger of Allah nor to prefer themselves to him. That is because no thirst or weariness or hunger will afflict them in the Way of Allah, nor will they take a single step to infuriate the disbelievers, nor secure any gain from the enemy, without a right action being written down for them because of it. Allah does not let the wage of the good-doers go to waste. (9:120)

(People of Musa said, 'Our Lord,) rescue us, by Your mercy, from this disbelieving people!' (10:86) It sailed with them through mountainous waves, and Nuh called out to his son, who had kept himself apart, 'My son! Come on board with us. Do not stay with the disbelievers!' (11:42)

(Yusuf's father said,) 'My sons! Seek news of Yusuf and his brother. Do not despair of solace from Allah. No one despairs of solace from Allah except for people who are disbelievers.' (12:87)

Then on the Day of Rising He will disgrace them, and say, 'Where are My partner gods for whose sake you became so hostile?' Those given knowledge will say, 'Today there is disgrace and evil for the disbelievers.' (16:27)

(We decreed for the tribe of Israel,) 'It may well be that your Lord will have mercy on you. But if you revert to what you did, We also will revert. We have made Hell a prison for the disbelievers.' (17:8)

Do those who disbelieve imagine that they can

take My servants as protectors instead of Me? We have prepared Hell as hospitality for the disbelievers! (18:102)

Do you not see that We send the Satans against those who disbelieve to goad them on? (19:83)

So do not obey the disbelievers but use this to battle against them with all your might. (25:52)

Yet they worship instead of Allah what can neither help nor harm them. The disbeliever is ever, against his Lord, an assistant (to Satan). (25:55)

You did not expect to be given the Book. It is nothing but a mercy from your Lord. So do not lend support to the disbelievers. (28:86)

Those who disbelieved will find that their disbelief was against themselves. Those who did right were making the way easy for themselves; so that He can repay with His bounty those who believed and did right actions. He certainly does not love the disbelievers. (30:44-45)

O Prophet! Have fear of Allah and do not obey the disbelievers and hypocrites. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (33:1)

... We made a binding covenant with them (the Prophets), so that He would be able to question the truthful about their truth; and He has prepared a painful punishment for the disbelievers. (33:7-8)

Do not obey the disbelievers and hypocrites and disregard their abuse of you. Put your trust in Allah. Allah suffices as a Protector. (33:48)

Allah has cursed the disbelievers and prepared a Searing Blaze for them. (33:64)

It is He Who made you His representatives on the earth. So whoever disbelieves, his disbelief is against himself. In Allah's sight, the disbelief of the disbelievers only increases their loathsome-ness; the disbelief of the disbelievers only increases their loss. (35:39)

We did not teach him poetry nor would it be right for him. It is simply a reminder and a clear Qur'an so that you may warn those who are truly alive and so that the Word may be carried out against the disbelievers. (36:69-70)

They are surprised that a warner should come to them from among themselves. The disbelievers say, 'This is a lying magician.' (38:4)

So the angels prostrated, all of them together, ex-

cept for Diabolis who was arrogant and was one of the disbelievers. (38:73-74)

Who could do greater wrong than those who lie about Allah and deny the truth when it comes to them? Do the disbelievers not have a dwelling place in Hell? (39:32)

'No, the fact is that My Signs came to you but you denied them and were arrogant and were one of the disbelievers.' (39:59)

Those who disbelieve will be driven to Hell in companies and when they arrive there and its gates are opened its custodians will say to them, 'Did Messengers from yourselves not come to you, reciting your Lord's Signs to you and warning you of the meeting on this Day of yours?' They will say, 'Indeed they did, but the decree of punishment is justly carried out against the disbelievers.' (39:71)

So your Lord's Words about those who disbelieve proved true, that they are indeed the Companions of the Fire. (40:6)

So call upon Allah, making your religion sincerely His, even though the disbelievers detest it. (40:14)

When he (Musa) brought them the truth from Us they said, 'Slaughter the sons of those who believe with him but let their women live.' The stratagems of the disbelievers are nothing but errors. (40:25)

They will ask, 'Did your Messengers not bring you the Clear Signs?' They will answer, 'Yes.' They will say, 'Then you call!' But the calling of the disbelievers only goes astray. (40:50)

But when they saw Our violent force their faith was of no use to them. That is the pattern Allah has always followed with His servants. Then and there the disbelievers were lost. (40:85)

But if We let him taste mercy from Us after he has suffered hardship, then he says, 'This is my due. I do not think that the Hour is going to come. And if am returned to my Lord, I will definitely find the best reward with Him.' But We will inform those who disbelieve of what they did and make them suffer a ruthless punishment. (41:50)

He responds to those who believe and do right actions and gives them increase from His favour. But the disbelievers will have a harsh punish-

ment. (42:26)

Have they not travelled about the earth and seen the final fate of those before them? Allah destroyed them utterly. And those who disbelieve will suffer the same fate. (47:10)

That is because Allah is the Protector of those who believe and because those who disbelieve have no protector. (47:11)

Whoever does not believe in Allah and His Messenger—We have prepared a Blazing Fire for the disbelievers. (48:13)

If those who disbelieve should fight you, they would turn their backs and then find no one to protect or help them. (48:22)

Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and those who are with him are fierce to the disbelievers, merciful to one another. You see them bowing and prostrating, seeking Allah's good favour and His pleasure. Their mark is on their faces, the traces of prostration. That is their likeness in the Torah. And their likeness in the Gospel is that of a seed which puts up a shoot and makes it strong so that it thickens and grows up straight upon its stalk, filling the sowers with delight—so that by them He may infuriate the disbelievers. Allah has promised those of them who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (48:29)

Nonetheless they are amazed that a warner should have come to them from among themselves and those who disbelieve say, 'What an extraordinary thing!' (50:2)

They will emerge from their graves with downcast eyes, like swarming locusts, necks outstretched, eyes transfixed, rushing headlong to the Summoner. The disbelievers will say, 'This is a pitiless day!' (54:7-8)

Are your disbelievers better than those peoples'? Or have you been given exemption in the Books? (54:43)

Anyone who cannot find the means must fast for two consecutive months before the two of them may touch one another again. And anyone who is unable to do that must feed sixty poor people. That is to affirm your faith in Allah and His Messenger. These are Allah's limits. The disbelievers will have a painful punishment. (58:4)

Those who oppose Allah and His Messenger will be subdued and overcome as those before them were also subdued and overcome. We have sent down Clear Signs. The disbelievers will have a humiliating punishment. (58:5)

You who believe! When women who believe come to you as emigrants, submit them to a test. Allah has best knowledge of their faith. If you know they are believers, do not return them to the disbelievers. They are not lawful for the disbelievers nor are the disbelievers lawful for them. Give the disbelievers whatever dowry they paid. And there is nothing wrong in your marrying them provided you pay them their due. Do not hold to any marriage ties with women who disbelieve. Ask for what you paid and let them ask for what they paid. That is Allah's judgement. Allah will judge between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (60:10)

If any of your wives rejoin the disbelievers, you should have compensation. So repay to those whose wives have gone the dowry they paid out. Have fear of Allah-Him in Whom you believe. (60:11)

You who believe! Do not make friends of people with whom Allah is angry, who have despaired of the hereafter as the disbelievers have despaired of the inhabitants of the graves. (60:13) They desire to extinguish Allah's Light with their mouths but Allah will perfect His Light, though the disbelievers hate it. (61:8)

It is He Who created you. Yet among you are those who disbelieve and those who believe. Allah sees what you do. (64:2)

O Prophet! Strive against the disbelievers and hypocrites and be harsh with them. Their refuge is Hell. What an evil destination! (66:9)

Who is there who could be a force for you, to come to your support, apart from the All-Merciful? The disbelievers are only living in delusion. (67:20)

Say: 'What do you think? If Allah destroys me and those with me, or if He has mercy on us, who can shelter the disbelievers from a painful punishment?' (67:28)

It (the Qur'an) is a cause of great distress to those who disbelieve. (69:50)

It (the punishment) is for the disbelievers and cannot be averted. (70:2)

Nuh said, 'My Lord! Do not leave a single one of the disbelievers on earth! If You leave any they will misguide Your servants and spawn nothing but more dissolute disbelievers.' (71:26-27)

That Day will be a difficult day, not easy for the disbelievers. (74:9-10)

We have only appointed angels as masters of the Fire and We have only specified their number as a trial for those who disbelieve; so that those who were given the Book might gain in certainty, and those who believe might increase in their faith, and both those who were given the Book and the believers might have no doubt; and so that those with sickness in their hearts and the disbelievers might say, 'What did Allah intend by this example?' In this way Allah misguides those He wills and guides those He wills. No one knows the legions of your Lord but Him. This is nothing but a reminder to all human beings. (74:31)

We have made ready for the disbelievers shackles and chains and a Searing Blaze. (76:4)

We have warned you of an imminent punishment on the Day when a man will see what he has done, and the disbeliever will say, 'Oh, if only I were dust!' (78:40)

That Day some faces will be dust-covered, overcast with gloom. Those are the dissolute disbelievers. (80:40-42)

So today those who believe are laughing at the disbelievers. (83:34)

Have the disbelievers been rewarded for what they did? (83:36)

So bear with the disbelievers—bear with them for a while. (86:17)

Say: 'Disbelievers! I do not worship what you worship and you do not worship what I worship. Nor will I worship what you worship nor will you worship what I worship. You have your religion and I have my religion.' (109:1-6)

## DISCIPLES

When 'Isa sensed disbelief on their part, he said, 'Who will be my helpers to Allah?' The disciples said, 'We are Allah's helpers. We believe in Allah. Bear witness that we are Muslims.' (3:52)

(Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam,) when I inspired the Disciples to believe in Me and in My Messenger, they said, "We believe. Bear witness that we are Muslims." (5:111)

And when the Disciples said, "Isa son of Maryam! Can your Lord send down a table to us out of heaven?" He said, 'Have fear of Allah if you are believers!' (5:112)

They said, 'We want to eat from it and for our hearts to be at peace and to know that you have told us the truth and to be among those who witness it.' (5:113)

You who believe! Be helpers of Allah as 'Isa son of Maryam said to the Disciples, 'Who will be my helpers to Allah?' The Disciples said, 'We will be the helpers of Allah.' One faction of the tribe of Israel believed and the other disbelieved. So We supported those who believed against their enemy and they became victorious. (61:14)

### **DISCORD (FITNAH)**

Kill them wherever you come across them and expel them from where they expelled you. Corruption is worse than killing. Do not fight them in the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) until they fight you there. But if they do fight you, then kill them. That is how the disbelievers should be repaid. (2:191)

Fight them until there is no more discord and the religion belongs to Allah alone. If they cease, there should be no enmity towards any but wrongdoers. (2:193)

They will ask you about the Sacred Month and fighting in it. Say, 'Fighting in it is a serious matter; but barring access to the Way of Allah and rejecting Him and barring access to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and expelling its people from it are far more serious in the sight of Allah. Discord is worse than killing.' They will not stop fighting you until they make you revert from your religion, if they are able. As for any of you who revert from their religion and die disbeliever, their actions will come to nothing in this world and the hereafter. They are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:217)

You will find others who desire to be safe from you and safe from their own people. Each time they are returned to dissension they are overwhelmed by it. If they do not keep away from you or submit to you or refrain from fighting, seize them and kill them wherever you find them. Over such people We have given you clear authority. (Qur'an, 4:91)

They thought there would be no testing. They were blind and deaf. Then Allah turned towards them. Then many of them went blind and deaf again. Allah sees what they do. (Qur'an, 5:71)

Fight them until there is no more discord and the religion is Allah's alone. If they stop, Allah sees what they do. (Qur'an, 8:39)

### **DISCRIMINATION (FURQAN)**

Remember when We gave Musa the Book and discrimination so that perhaps you would be guided. (2:53)

... And He sent down the Torah and the Gospel, previously, as guidance for mankind, and He has sent down the Furqan (Discrimination). Those who reject Allah's Signs will have a terrible punishment. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (3:3-4)

You who believe! If you have fear of Allah, He will give you discrimination and erase your bad actions from you and forgive you. Allah's favour is indeed immense. (8:29)

We gave to Musa and Harun the Discrimination and a Shining Light and a Reminder for the heedful. (21:48)

Blessed be He Who has sent down the Furqan (Discrimination) to His servant so that he can be a warner to all beings. (25:1)

### **DISH**

They made for him anything he (Sulayman) wished: high arches and statues, huge dishes like cisterns, great built-in cooking vats. 'Work, family of Dawud, in thankfulness!' But very few of My servants are thankful. (34:13)

### **DISSOLUTE**

Would We make those who believe and do right actions the same as those who cause corruption

on the earth? Would We make those who guard against evil the same as the dissolute? (38:28)  
Nuh said, 'My Lord! Do not leave a single one of the disbelievers on earth! If You leave any they will misguide Your servants and spawn nothing but more dissolute disbelievers.' (71:26-27)  
Those are the dissolute disbelievers. (80:42)  
The dissolute will be in a Blazing Fire. (82:14)  
No indeed! The book of the dissolute is in Sijjin. (83:7)

### DISTANT PLACE

So she (Maryam) conceived him and withdrew with him to a distant place. (19:22)  
Be people of pure natural belief in Allah, not associating anything else with Him. As for anyone who associates others with Allah, it is as though he had fallen from the sky and the birds had seized him and carried him away or the wind had dropped him in a distant place. (22:31)  
They will say, 'We believe in it,' but how can they reach out for it from a distant place when beforehand they had rejected it, shooting forth about the Unseen from a distant place? (34:52-53)

### DIVER

And some of the Satans dived for him (Sulayman) and did other things apart from that. And We were watching over them. (21:82)  
So We subjected the wind to him (Sulayman) to blow at his command, softly, wherever he directed. And the Satans, every builder and diver, and others of them, yoked together in chains. (38:36-38)

### DIVERSION

The life of this world is nothing but a game and a diversion. The hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. So will you not use your intellect? (6:32)

Abandon those who have turned their religion into a game and a diversion and who have been deluded by the life of this world. Remind by it lest a person is delivered up to destruction for what he has earned with no protector or intercessor besides Allah. Were he to offer every kind of

compensation, it would not be accepted from him. Such people are delivered up to destruction for what they have earned. They will have scalding water to drink and a painful punishment because they disbelieved. (6:70)

The Companions of the Fire will call out to the Companions of the Garden, 'Throw down some water to us or some of what Allah has given you as provision.' They will say, 'Allah has forbidden them to the disbelievers: those who took their religion as a diversion and a game, and were deluded by the life of this world.' Today We will forget them just as they forgot the encounter of this Day and denied Our Signs. (7:50-51)

The life of this world is nothing but a game and a diversion. The abode of the hereafter—that is truly Life if they only knew. (29:64)

The life of this world is merely a game and a diversion. If you believe and guard against evil, He will pay you your wages and not ask you for all your wealth. (47:36)

Know that the life of this world is merely a game and a diversion and ostentation and a cause of boasting among yourselves and trying to outdo one another in wealth and children: like the plant-growth after rain which delights the cultivators, but then it withers and you see it turning yellow, and then it becomes broken stubble. In the hereafter there is terrible punishment but also forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure. The life of this world is nothing but the enjoyment of delusion. (57:20)

### DIVINING ARROWS

Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and animals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviance. Today those who disbelieve have despaired of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I

have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3)  
You who believe! Wine and gambling, stone altars and divining arrows are filth from the handiwork of Satan. Avoid them completely so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:90)

## DIVORCE

If they are determined to divorce, Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (2:227)

Divorced women should wait by themselves for three menstrual cycles; and it is not lawful for them to conceal what Allah has created in their wombs if they believe in Allah and the Last Day. Their husbands have the right to take them back within that time, if they desire to be reconciled. Women possess rights similar to those held over them to be honoured with fairness; but men have a degree above them. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:228)

Divorce can be pronounced two times; in which case wives may be retained with correctness and courtesy or released with good will. It is not lawful for you to keep anything you have given them unless a couple fear that they will not remain within Allah's limits. If you fear that they will not remain within Allah's limits, there is nothing wrong in the wife ransoming herself with some of what she received. These are Allah's limits, so do not overstep them. Those who overstep Allah's limits are wrongdoers. (2:229)

But if a man divorces his wife a third time, she is not lawful for him after that until she has married another husband. Then if he divorces her, there is nothing wrong in the original couple getting back together provided they think they will remain within Allah's limits. These are Allah's limits which he has made clear to people who know. (2:230)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, then either retain them with correctness and courtesy or release them with correctness and courtesy. Do not retain them by force, thus overstepping the limits.

Anyone who does that has wronged himself. Do not make a mockery of Allah's Signs. Remember Allah's blessing to you and the Book and Wisdom He has sent down to you to admonish you. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:231)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, do not prevent them from marrying their first husbands if they have mutually agreed to it with correctness and courtesy. This is an admonition for those of you who believe in Allah and the Last Day. That is better and purer for you. Allah knows and you do not know. (2:232)

There is nothing wrong in your divorcing women before you have touched them or allotted a dowry to them. But give them a gift—he who is wealthy according to his means and he who is less well off according to his means—a gift to be given with correctness and courtesy: a duty for all good-doers. (2:236)

If you divorce them before you have touched them but have already allotted them a dowry, they should have half the amount which you allotted, unless they forgo it or the one in charge of the marriage contract forgoes it. To forgo it is closer to heedfulness. Do not forget to show generosity to one another. Allah sees what you do. (2:237)

Divorced women should receive maintenance given with correctness and courtesy: a duty for all who guard against evil. (2:241)

If you desire to exchange one wife for another and have given your original wife a large amount, do not take any of it. Would you take it by means of slander and outright crime? (4:20)  
How could you take it when you have been intimate with one another and they have made a binding contract with you? (4:21)

If you fear a breach between a couple, send an arbiter from his people and an arbiter from her people. If the couple desire to put things right, Allah will bring about a reconciliation between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (4:35)

O Prophet, tell your wives: 'If you desire the life of this world and its finery, come and I will give you all you need and release you with kindness.

But if you desire Allah and His Messenger and the abode of the hereafter, Allah has prepared an immense reward for those among you who are good-doers.' (33:28-29)

When you said to him whom Allah has blessed and you yourself have greatly favoured, 'Keep your wife to yourself and have fear of Allah,' while concealing something in yourself which Allah wished to bring to light, you were fearing people when Allah has more right to your fear. Then when Zayd divorced her We married her to you so that there should be no restriction for the believers regarding the wives of their adopted sons when they have divorced them. Allah's command is always carried out. (33:37)

You who believe! When you marry believing women and then divorce them before you have touched them, there is no waiting period for you to calculate for them, so give them a gift and let them go with kindness. (33:49)

After that no other women are lawful for you nor may you exchange them for other wives, even though their beauty might be pleasing to you, with the exception of any you own as slaves. Allah is watchful over all things. (33:52)

Those of you who divorce your wives by equating them with your mothers, they are not your mothers. Your mothers are only those who gave birth to you. What you are saying is wrong and a slanderous lie. But Allah is Ever-Pardoning, Ever-Forgiving. (58:2)

Those who divorce their wives by equating them with their mothers, and then wish to go back on what they said, must set free a slave before the two of them may touch one another. This is what you are enjoined to do. Allah is aware of what you do. (58:3)

O Prophet! When any of you divorce women, divorce them during their period of purity and calculate their waiting period carefully. And have fear of Allah, your Lord. Do not evict them from their homes, nor should they leave, unless they commit an outright indecency. Those are Allah's limits, and anyone who oversteps Allah's limits has wronged himself. You never know, it may well be that after that Allah will cause a new situation to develop. (65:1)

Then when they have reached the end of their waiting period either retain them with correctness and courtesy or part from them with correctness and courtesy. Call two upright men from among yourselves as witnesses and they should carry out the witnessing for Allah. This is admonishment for all who believe in Allah and the Last Day. Whoever has fear of Allah—He will give him a way out. (65:2)

In the case of those of your wives who are past the age of menstruation, if you have any doubt, their waiting period should be three months, and that also applies to those who have not yet menstruated. The time for women who are pregnant is when they give birth. Whoever has fear of Allah—He will make matters easy for him. (65:4) Let them live where you live, according to your means. Do not put pressure on them, so as to harass them. If they are pregnant, maintain them until they give birth. If they are suckling for you, give them their wages and consult together with correctness and courtesy. But if you make things difficult for one another, another woman should do the suckling for you. (65:6)

It may be that if he does divorce you, his Lord will give him in exchange better wives than you: Muslim women, believing women, obedient women, penitent women, women who worship, women who fast much—previously married women as well as virgins. (66:5)

## DIVULGEMENT

He said, 'Adam, tell them their names.' When he had told them their names, He said, 'Did I not tell you that I know the Unseen of the heavens and the earth, and I know what you make known and what you hide?' (2:33)

You who believe! Do not take My enemy and your enemy as friends, showing love for them when they have rejected the truth that has come to you, driving out the Messenger and yourselves simply because you believe in Allah your Lord. If you go out to strive in My Way and seeking My pleasure, keeping secret the love you have for them, I know best what you conceal and what you make known. Any of you who do that have strayed from the right way. (60:1)

Do they not know that Allah knows what they keep secret and what they make public? (2:77)  
Everything in the heavens and everything in the earth belongs to Allah. Whether you divulge what is in yourselves or keep it hidden, Allah will still call you to account for it. He forgives whoever He wills and He punishes whoever He wills. Allah has power over all things. (2:284)

Say, 'Whether you conceal what is in your breasts or make it known, Allah knows it. He knows what is in the heavens and what is on earth. Allah has power over all things.' (3:29)  
The Messenger is only responsible for transmission. Allah knows what you divulge and what you hide. (5:99)

See how they wrap themselves round trying to conceal their feelings from Him! No, indeed! When they wrap their garments round themselves, He knows what they keep secret and what they make public. He knows what their hearts contain. (11:5)

It makes no difference whether you keep secret what you say or voice it out loud, whether you hide in the night or go out in the day. (13:10)  
(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord! You know what we keep hidden and what we divulge. Nothing is hidden from Allah either on the earth or in heaven.' (14:38)

Allah knows what you keep secret and what you make public. (16:19)

There is no doubt that Allah knows what they keep secret and what they make public. He does not love people puffed up with pride. (16:23)

Though you speak out loud, He knows your secrets and what is even more concealed. (20:7)  
There is nothing wrong in your entering houses where no one lives and where there is some service for you. Allah knows what you divulge and what you conceal. (24:29)

Say to the believing women that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity and not display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands' fathers, or their sons or their husbands' sons or their brothers or their

brothers' sons or their sisters' sons or their women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children who still have no awareness of women's private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

(The hoopoe said,) 'I found both her (Queen of Sheba) and her people prostrating to the sun instead of Allah. Satan has made their actions seem good to them and debarred them from the Way so they are not guided and do not prostrate to Allah, Who brings out what is hidden in the heavens and the earth, and knows what you conceal and what you divulge.' (27:24-25)

Certainly your Lord knows what their hearts keep hidden and what they divulge. (27:74)  
Your Lord knows what their hearts conceal and what they divulge. (28:69)

When you said to him whom Allah has blessed and you yourself have greatly favoured, 'Keep your wife to yourself and have fear of Allah,' while concealing something in yourself which Allah wished to bring to light, you were fearing people when Allah has more right to your fear. Then when Zayd divorced her We married her to you so that there should be no restriction for the believers regarding the wives of their adopted sons when they have divorced them. Allah's command is always carried out. (33:37)

So do not let their words distress you. We know what they keep secret and what they divulge. (36:76)

He knows everything in the heavens and earth. He knows what you keep secret and what you divulge. Allah knows what the heart contains. (64:4)

The Prophet confided a certain matter to one of his wives, then when she divulged it Allah disclosed that to him, and he communicated part of it and withheld part of it. When he told her of it, she said, 'Who told you of this?' He said, 'The All-Knowing and All-Aware informed me of it.' (66:3)

Whether you keep your words secret or say them out loud He knows what the heart contains. (67:13)

## **DOG**

If We had wanted to, We would have raised him up by them. But he gravitated towards the earth and pursued his whims and base desires. His metaphor is that of a dog: if you chase it away, it lolls out its tongue and pants, and if you leave it alone, it lolls out its tongue and pants. That is the metaphor of those who deny Our Signs. So tell the story so that hopefully they will reflect. (7:176)

You would have supposed them to be awake whereas in fact they were asleep. We moved them to the right and to the left, and, at the entrance, their dog stretched out its paws. If you had looked down and seen them, you would have turned from them and run and have been filled with terror at the sight of them. (18:18)

They will say, 'There were three of them, their dog being the fourth.' They will say, 'There were five of them, their dog being the sixth,' guessing at the Unseen. And they will say, 'There were seven of them, their dog being the eighth.' Say: 'My Lord knows best their number. Those who know about them are very few.' So do not enter into any argument concerning them, except in relation to what is clearly known. And do not seek the opinion of any of them regarding them. (18:22)

## **DOUBT**

The truth is from your Lord, so on no account be among the doubters. (2:147)

It is the truth from your Lord so do not be among the doubters. (3:60)

It is He Who created you from clay and then decreed a fixed term, and another fixed term is specified with Him. Yet you still have doubts! (6:2)

'Am I to desire someone other than Allah as a judge when it is He Who has sent down the Book to you clarifying everything?' Those We have given the Book know it has been sent down from your Lord with truth, so on no account be among the doubters. (6:114)

Only those who do not believe in Allah and the Last Day ask you to excuse them. Their hearts are full of doubt and in their doubt they waver to and fro. (9:45)

If you are in any doubt about what We have sent down to you, then ask those who were reciting the Book before you. The truth has come to you from your Lord, so on no account be one of the doubters. (10:94)

Say: 'Mankind! If you are in any doubt about my religion, I do not worship those you worship besides Allah. Rather I worship Allah Who will take you back to Him and I am commanded to be one of the believers.' (10:104)

They (the Messengers) said, 'We have come to you with what they had doubts about.' (15:63)

Is there a sickness in their hearts or do they have misgivings or do they fear that Allah and His Messenger will be unjust to them? No, it is simply that they are wrongdoers. (24:50)

You never recited any Book before it nor did you write one down with your right hand. If you had, the purveyors of falsehood would have voiced their doubts. (29:48)

If you could only see when they are terrified, and there is no way out, and they are seized from a nearby place. They will say, 'We believe in it,' but how can they reach out for it from a distant place when beforehand they had rejected it, shooting forth about the Unseen from a distant place? A barrier will be set up between them and the thing that they desire, just as was done with their kind before. They too were in a state of crippling doubt. (34:51-54)

(The man who believed said to his people,) 'Yusuf brought you the Clear Signs before, but you never stopped doubting what he brought to you to the extent that when he died, you said, "Allah will never send another Messenger after him." That is how Allah misguides those who are unbridled and full of doubt.' (40:34)

He ('Isa) is a Sign of the Hour. Have no doubt about it. But follow me. This is a straight path. (43:61)

(The wicked will be told,) 'This is the very thing you used to doubt.' (44:50)

The believers are only those who have believed in Allah and His Messenger and then have had no doubt and have strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah. They are the ones who are true to their word. (49:15)

They (hypocrites) will call out to them, 'Were we not with you?' They will reply, 'Indeed you were. But you made trouble for yourselves and hung back and doubted and false hopes deluded you until Allah's command arrived. The Deluder deluded you about Allah.' (57:14)

We have only appointed angels as masters of the Fire and We have only specified their number as a trial for those who disbelieve; so that those who were given the Book might gain in certainty, and those who believe might increase in their faith, and both those who were given the Book and the believers might have no doubt; and so that those with sickness in their hearts and the disbelievers might say, 'What did Allah intend by this example?' In this way Allah misguides those He wills and guides those He wills. No one knows the legions of your Lord but Him. This is nothing but a reminder to all human beings. (74:31)

## DOWNCASE

They will emerge from their graves with downcast eyes, like swarming locusts. (54:7)

Their eyes will be downcast, darkened by debasement; for they were called on to prostrate when they were in full possession of their faculties. (68:43)

Eyes downcast, darkened by debasement, that will be the Day which they were promised. (70:44)

Some faces on that Day will be downcast. (88:2)

## DOWRY (MAHR)

And also (forbidden for you are) married women, except for those you have taken in war as slaves. This is what Allah has prescribed for you. Apart from that He has made all other women lawful for you provided you seek them with your wealth in marriage and not in fornication. When you consummate your marriage with them give them their prescribed dowry. There is nothing wrong in any further agreement you might come to after the dowry has been given. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:24)

If any of you do not have the means to marry free women who are believers, you may marry slave-girls who are believers. Allah knows best about

your faith; you are all the same in that respect. Marry them with their owners' permission and give them their dowries correctly and courteously as married women, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. When they are married, if they commit fornication they should receive half the punishment of free women. This is for those of you who are afraid of committing fornication. But being patient is better for you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:25)

Today all good things have been made lawful for you. And the food of those given the Book is also lawful for you and your food is lawful for them. So are chaste women from among the believers and chaste women of those given the Book before you, once you have given them their dowries in marriage, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. But as for anyone who rejects faith, his actions will come to nothing and in the hereafter he will be among the losers. (5:5)

O Prophet! We have made lawful for you: your wives to whom you have given dowries and any slavegirls you own from the booty Allah has allotted you and the daughters of your paternal uncles and the daughters of your paternal aunts and the daughters of your maternal uncles and the daughters of your maternal aunts who have migrated with you and any believing woman who gives herself to the Prophet if the Prophet desires to marry her: exclusively for you as opposed to the rest of the believers—We know very well what We have prescribed for them regarding their wives and any slavegirls they possess—in order that there be no restriction on you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:50)

You who believe! When women who believe come to you as emigrants, submit them to a test. Allah has best knowledge of their faith. If you know they are believers, do not return them to the disbelievers. They are not lawful for the disbelievers nor are the disbelievers lawful for them. Give the disbelievers whatever dowry they paid. And there is nothing wrong in your marrying them provided you pay them their due. Do not hold to any marriage ties with women who disbelieve. Ask for what you paid and let them ask for what they paid. That is Allah's judgement.

Allah will judge between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (60:10)

## DREAM

Remember when Allah showed them to you in your dream as only a few. If He had shown you them as many, you would have lost heart and quarrelled about the matter; but Allah saved you. He knows what your hearts contain. (8:43)

When Yusuf told his father, 'Father! I saw eleven bright stars, and the sun and moon as well. I saw them all prostrate in front of me.' He (his father) said, 'My son, don't tell your brothers your dream lest they devise some scheme to injure you, Satan is a clear-cut enemy to man.' (12:4-5) Two servants entered prison along with him. One said, 'I dreamt that I was pressing grapes.' The other said, 'I dreamt I carried bread upon my head and birds were eating it. Tell us the true meaning of these dreams. We see that you're one of the righteous.' (12:36)

The King declared, 'I dreamt of seven fat cows which seven thin ones ate and seven green ears of wheat and seven others which were dry. O counsellors! Explain my dream to me if you are those who can interpret visions!' (12:43)

They said, 'A jumbled mass of mixed-up dreams! We do not know the meaning of such things.' (12:44)

The one of them who had been saved then said, remembering after a period, 'I will tell you what it signifies, so send me out.' (12:45)

(One of Yusuf's fellow-prisoners said,) 'O truthful Yusuf, tell us of seven fat cows which seven thin ones ate and seven green ears of wheat and seven others which were dry so that I can return to them and let them know.' (12:46)

He said, 'Sow for seven years in the normal way and leave that which you harvest in the ear except for a small amount from which you eat. Then after that seven hard years will arrive in which you can eat from what you set aside for them, except for a little which you store. Then after that another year will come in which the people will be helped by rain in plenty and when they once more will press.' (12:47-49)

He (Yusuf) raised his parents up onto the throne.

The others fell prostrate in front of him. He said, 'My father, truly this is now the interpretation of the dream I had. My Lord has made it all come true; and He was kind to me by letting me out of prison and brought you from the desert when Satan had caused dissent between me and my brothers. My Lord is kind to anyone He wills. He is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise.' (12:100)

## DREAM OF WHEAT AND ITS INTERPRETATION

The King declared, 'I dreamt of seven fat cows which seven thin ones ate and seven green ears of wheat and seven others which were dry. O counsellors! Explain my dream to me if you are those who can interpret visions!' They said, 'A jumbled mass of mixed-up dreams! We do not know the meaning of such things.' The one of them who had been saved then said, remembering after a period, 'I will tell you what it signifies, so send me out.' 'O truthful Yusuf, tell us of seven fat cows which seven thin ones ate and seven green ears of wheat and seven others which were dry so that I can return to them and let them know.' He said, 'Sow for seven years in the normal way and leave that which you harvest in the ear except for a small amount from which you eat. Then after that seven hard years will arrive in which you can eat from what you set aside for them, except for a little which you store. Then after that another year will come in which the people will be helped by rain in plenty and when they once more will press.' (12:43-49)

## DRINKS

They will ask you about alcoholic drinks and gambling. Say, 'There is great wrong in both of them and also certain benefits for mankind. But the wrong in them is greater than the benefit.' They will ask you what they should give away. Say, 'Whatever is surplus to your needs.' In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect. (2:219)

You who believe! Wine and gambling, stone altars and divining arrows are filth from the handiwork of Satan. Avoid them completely so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:90)

Satan wants to stir up enmity and hatred between you by means of wine and gambling, and to debar you from remembrance of Allah and from prayer. Will you not then give them up? (5:91) Abandon those who have turned their religion into a game and a diversion and who have been deluded by the life of this world. Remind by it lest a person is delivered up to destruction for what he has earned with no protector or intercessor besides Allah. Were he to offer every kind of compensation, it would not be accepted from him. Such people are delivered up to destruction for what they have earned. They will have scalding water to drink and a painful punishment because they disbelieved. (6:70)

Each and every one of you will return to Him. Allah's promise is true. He brings creation out of nothing and then regenerates it so that he can repay with justice those who believed and did right actions. Those who disbelieved will have a drink of scalding water and a painful punishment because of their disbelief. (10:4)

And beyond him is Hell where he will be given pus to drink. (14:16)

There is instruction for you in cattle. From the contents of their bellies, from between the dung and blood, We give you pure milk to drink, easy for drinkers to swallow. (16:66)

And from the fruit of the date-palm and the grape-vine you derive both intoxicants and wholesome provision. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who use their intellect. (16:67)

Say: 'It is the truth from your Lord; so let whoever wishes believe and whoever wishes disbelieve.' We have prepared for the wrongdoers a Fire whose billowing walls of smoke will hem them in. If they call for help, they will be helped with water like seething molten brass, frying their faces. What a noxious drink! What an evil repose! (18:29)

Then they will have a boiling brew to drink on top of it. (37:67)

## DROP

He created man from a drop of sperm and yet he is an open challenger! (16:4)

His companion, with whom he was debating,

said to him, 'Do you then disbelieve in Him Who created you from dust, then from a drop of sperm, and then formed you as a man?' (18:37) Mankind! If you are in any doubt about the Rising, know that We created you from dust then from a drop of sperm then from a clot of blood then from a lump of flesh, formed yet unformed, so We may make things clear to you. We make whatever We want stay in the womb until a specified time and then We bring you out as children so that you can reach your full maturity. Some of you die and some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that, after having knowledge, they then know nothing at all. And you see the earth dead and barren; then when We send down water onto it it quivers and swells and sprouts with luxuriant plants of every kind. (22:5)

We created man from the purest kind of clay; then made him a drop in a secure receptacle; then formed the drop into a clot and formed the clot into a lump and formed the lump into bones and clothed the bones in flesh; and then brought him into being as another creature. Blessed be Allah, the Best of Creators! (23:12-14)

Allah created you from dust and then from a drop of sperm and then made you into pairs. No female becomes pregnant or gives birth except with His knowledge. And no living thing lives long or has its life cut short without that being in a Book. That is easy for Allah. (35:11)

Does not man see that We created him from a drop yet there he is, an open antagonist! (36:77) It is He Who created you from earth, then from a drop of sperm, then from a clot of blood, then He brings you out as infants, then so you may achieve full strength, then so you may become old men—though some of you may die before that time—so that you may reach a predetermined age and so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (40:67)

(Has he not been informed) that He created the two sexes—male and female—out of a sperm-drop when it spurted forth? (53:45-46)

Was he not a drop of ejaculated sperm, then a blood-clot which He created and shaped, making from it both sexes, male and female? (75:37-39)

We created man from a mingled drop to test him, and We made him hearing and seeing. (76:2)  
From a drop of sperm He created him and proportioned him. (80:19)

## **DRUNKENNESS**

You who believe! Do not approach the prayer when you are drunk, so that you will know what you are saying, nor in a state of major impurity—unless you are travelling—until you have washed yourselves completely. If you are ill or on a journey, or any of you have come from the lavatory or touched women, and you cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, wiping your faces and your hands. Allah is Ever-Pardoning, Ever-Forgiving. (4:43)

By your life! They were wandering blindly in their drunkenness! (15:72)

And from the fruit of the date-palm and the grape-vine you derive both intoxicants and wholesome provision. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who use their intellect. (16:67)  
On the day they see it, every nursing woman will be oblivious of the baby at her breast, and every pregnant woman will abort the contents of her womb, and you will think people drunk when they are not drunk; it is just that the punishment of Allah is so severe. (22:2)

## **DU'A (SEE CALLING ON; SEE ASKING LORD)**

## **DUMB**

Deaf, dumb, blind. They will not return. (2:18)  
The likeness of those who disbelieve is that of the beast which, call out to it as one may, can hear nothing but a shout and a cry. Deaf—dumb—blind. They do not use their intellect. (2:171)  
Those who deny Our Signs are deaf and dumb in utter darkness. Allah misguides whoever He wills, and puts whoever He wills on a straight path. (6:39)

The worst of beasts in Allah's sight are the deaf and dumb who have no intellect. (8:22)

Allah makes another metaphor: two men, one of them deaf and dumb, unable to do anything, a burden on his master, no matter where he directs

him he brings no good, is he the same as someone who commands justice and is on a straight path? (16:76)

Whoever Allah guides is truly guided. But as for those He leads astray, you will not find any protectors for them apart from Him. We will gather them on the Day of Rising, flat on their faces, blind, dumb and deaf. Their shelter will be Hell. Whenever the Blaze dies down, We will increase it for them. (17:97)

## **DUNE**

On the Day the earth and mountains shake and the mountains become like shifting dunes. (73:14)

## **DUNYA (SEE THE WORLD)**

## **DUST**

If you are surprised at their blindness, what could be more surprising than their words: 'What, when we are turned to dust, shall we then be created all anew?' These are the people who reject their Lord. Such people have iron collars round their necks. Such people are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (13:5)

They say, 'What! When we are bones and crumbled dust, will we then be raised up as a new creation!' (17:49)

That is their repayment for rejecting Our Signs and saying, 'What, when we are bones and crumbled dust, will we then be raised up as a new creation?' (17:98)

His companion, with whom he was debating, said to him, 'Do you then disbelieve in Him Who created you from dust, then from a drop of sperm, and then formed you as a man?' (18:37)

(His companion said to the garden owner,) 'Why, when you entered your garden, did you not say, "It is as Allah wills, there is no strength but in Allah"? Though you see me with less wealth and children than you possess, it may well be that my Lord will give me something better than your garden and send down on it a fireball from the sky so that morning finds it a shifting heap of dust,' (18:39-40) Mankind! If you are in any doubt about the Rising, know that We created you from dust then

from a drop of sperm then from a clot of blood then from a lump of flesh, formed yet unformed, so We may make things clear to you. We make whatever We want stay in the womb until a specified time and then We bring you out as children so that you can reach your full maturity. Some of you die and some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that, after having knowledge, they then know nothing at all. And you see the earth dead and barren; then when We send down water onto it it quivers and swells and sprouts with luxuriant plants of every kind. (22:5)

(The ruling circle of his people said,) 'Does he promise you that when you have died and become dust and bones you will be brought forth again?' (23:35)

They say, 'When we are dead and turned to dust and bones, shall we then be raised again?' (23:82)

We will advance on the actions they have done and make them scattered specks of dust. (25:23) Those who disbelieve say, 'When we and our fathers are turned to dust will we then be brought forth again?' (27:67)

Among His Signs is that He created you from dust and here you are now, widespread human beings! (30:20)

Allah created you from dust and then from a drop of sperm and then made you into pairs. No female becomes pregnant or gives birth except with His knowledge. And no living thing lives long or has its life cut short without that being in a Book. That is easy for Allah. (35:11)

(They say,) 'When we are dead and turned to dust and bones will we then be raised up again alive?' (37:16)

One of them will say, 'I used to have a friend who would say to me, "Are you one of those who say that it is true: that when we have died and are turned to dust and bones, we will face a Reckoning?"' (37:51-53)

Nonetheless they are amazed that a warner should have come to them from among themselves and those who disbelieve say, 'What an extraordinary thing! When we are dead and turned to dust...? That would be a most unlikely return!' (50:2-3)

When the earth is convulsed and the mountains are crushed and become scattered dust in the air. (56:4-6)

Before that they were living in luxury, persisting in immense wrongdoing and saying, 'When we are dead and turned to dust and bones, shall we then be raised again or our forefathers, the earlier peoples?' (56:45-48)

We have warned you of an imminent punishment on the Day when a man will see what he has done, and the disbeliever will say, 'Oh, if only I were dust!' (78:40)

That Day some faces will be dust-covered, (80:40)

By the charging horses panting hard, striking sparks from their flashing hooves, raiding at full gallop in the early dawn, leaving a trailing dust-cloud in their wake, (100:1-4)

## DUTY

It is prescribed for you, when death approaches one of you and if he has some goods to leave, to make a will in favour of his parents and relatives, correctly and fairly: a duty for all those who guard against evil. (2:180)

Mothers should nurse their children for two full years—those who wish to complete the full term of nursing. It is the duty of the fathers to feed and clothe them with correctness and courtesy—no self is charged with more than it can bear. No mother should be put under pressure in respect of her child nor any father in respect of his child. The same duty is incumbent on the heir. If the couple both wish weaning to take place after mutual agreement and consultation, there is nothing wrong in their doing that. If you wish to find wet-nurses for your children, there is nothing wrong in your doing that provided you hand over to them what you have agreed to give with correctness and courtesy. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah sees what you do. (2:233)

There is nothing wrong in your divorcing women before you have touched them or allotted a dowry to them. But give them a gift—he who is wealthy according to his means and he who is less well off according to his means—a gift to be given with correctness and courtesy: a duty for

all good-doers. (2:236)

Divorced women should receive maintenance given with correctness and courtesy: a duty for all who guard against evil. (2:241)

In it are Clear Signs—the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray). All who enter it are safe. Pilgrimage to the House is a duty owed to Allah by all mankind—those who can find a way to do it. But if anyone disbelieves, Allah is Rich Beyond Need of any being. (3:97)

Musa said, ‘Pharaoh! I am truly a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds, duty bound to say nothing about Allah except the truth. I have come to you with a Clear Sign from your Lord. So send the tribe of Israel away with me.’ (7:104-105)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah, and those who have given refuge and help, they are the friends and protectors of one another. But as for those who believe but have not migrated, you are not in any way responsible for their protection until they migrate. But if they ask you for help in respect of the religion, it is your duty to help them, except against people you have a treaty with. Allah sees what you do. (8:72)

Do not ever stand in it (a mosque set up to create division among the believers). A mosque founded on performing one’s duty from the first day has a greater right for you to stand in it. In it there are men who love to purify themselves. Allah loves those who purify themselves. (9:108) Instruct your family to perform prayer, and be constant in it. We do not ask you for provision. We provide for you. And the outcome rests on doing your duty. (20:132)

Before you We sent other Messengers to their people, and they too brought them the Clear Signs. We took revenge on those who did evil; and it is Our duty to help the believers. (30:47)

He increases in guidance those who are already guided and gives them their sense of duty. (47:17) Mankind! We created you from a male and female, and made you into peoples and tribes so that you might come to know each other. The noblest among you in Allah’s sight is the one of you

who best performs his duty. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (49:13)

## DWELLINGS

Allah has promised the men and women of the believers Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and fine dwellings in the Gardens of Eden. And Allah’s good pleasure is even greater. That is the great victory. (9:72)

Then, when they reached the Valley of the Ants, an ant said, ‘Ants! Enter your dwellings so that Sulayman and his troops do not crush you unwittingly.’ (27:18)

(A wind) destroying everything at its Lord’s command! When morning came you could see nothing but their dwellings. That is how We repay the people of the evildoers. (46:25)

## DYING

Those of you who die leaving wives behind should make a bequest to their wives of maintenance for a year without them having to leave their homes. But if they do leave you are not to blame for anything they do with themselves with correctness and courtesy. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:240)

What do you think about those who left their homes in thousands in fear of death? Allah said to them, ‘Die!’ and then brought them back to life. Allah shows great favour to mankind, but most people are not grateful. (2:243)

Or the one who passed by a town which had fallen into ruin? He asked, ‘How can Allah restore this to life when it has died?’ Allah caused him to die a hundred years then brought him back to life. Then He asked, ‘How long have you been here?’ He replied, ‘I have been here a day or part of a day.’ He said, ‘Not so! You have been here a hundred years. Look at your food and drink—it has not gone bad—and look at your donkey so We can make you a Sign for all mankind. Look at the bones—how We raise them up and clothe them in flesh.’ When it had become clear to him, he said, ‘Now I know that Allah has power over all things.’ (2:259)

You who believe! Have fear of Allah the way He

should be feared and do not die except as Muslims. (3:102)

There you are, loving them when they do not love you, even though you believe in all the Books. When they meet you, they say, 'We believe.' But when they leave they bite their fingers out of rage against you. Say, 'Die in your rage.' Allah knows what your hearts contain. (3:119) Muhammad is only a Messenger and he has been preceded by other Messengers. If he were to die or be killed, would you turn on your heels? Those who turn on their heels do not harm Allah in any way. Allah will recompense the thankful. (3:144)

No self can die except with Allah's permission, at a predetermined time. If anyone desires the reward of this world, We will give him some of it. If anyone desires the reward of the hereafter, We will give him some of it. We will recompense the thankful. (3:145)

You who believe! Do not be like those who disbelieve and say of their brothers, when they are going on journeys or military expeditions, 'If they had only been with us, they would not have died or been killed,' so that Allah can make that anguish for them in their hearts. It is Allah Who gives life and causes to die. Allah sees what you do. (3:156)

If you are killed in the Way of Allah or if you die, forgiveness and mercy from Allah are better than anything you can acquire. (3:157)

If you die or you are killed, it is to Allah that you will be gathered. (3:158)

There is not one of the People of the Book who will not believe in him before he dies; and on the Day of Rising he will be a witness against them. (4:159)

Say: 'My prayer and my rites, my living and my dying, are for Allah alone, the Lord of all the worlds.' (6:162)

He gulps at it but can hardly swallow it down. Death comes at him from every side but he does not die. And beyond him is relentless punishment. (14:17)

The pains of labour drove her to the trunk of a date-palm. She (Maryam) said, 'Oh if only I had died before this time and was something dis-

carded and forgotten!' (19:23)

Mankind! If you are in any doubt about the Rising, know that We created you from dust then from a drop of sperm then from a clot of blood then from a lump of flesh, formed yet unformed, so We may make things clear to you. We make whatever We want stay in the womb until a specified time and then We bring you out as children so that you can reach your full maturity. Some of you die and some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that, after having knowledge, they then know nothing at all. And you see the earth dead and barren; then when We send down water onto it it quivers and swells and sprouts with luxuriant plants of every kind. (22:5)

(The ruling circle said,) 'What is there but our life in this world? We die and we live and we will not be raised again.' (23:37)

Put your trust in the Living Who does not die and glorify Him with praise. He is well aware of the wrong actions of His servants: (25:58)

Then when We decreed that he (Sulayman) should die, nothing divulged his death to them except the worm which ate his staff; so that when he fell down it was made clear to the jinn that if they had truly had knowledge of the Unseen they need not have stayed there suffering humiliating punishment. (34:14)

Whereas for those who disbelieve there will be the Fire of Hell. They will not be killed off so that they die and its punishment will not be lightened for them. That is how We repay every thankless man. (35:36)

You will die and they too will die. (39:30)

Allah takes back people's selves when their death arrives and those who have not yet died, while they are asleep. He keeps hold of those whose death has been decreed and sends the others back for a specified term. There are certainly Signs in that for people who reflect. (39:42)

(The man who believed said,) 'Yusuf brought you the Clear Signs before, but you never stopped doubting what he brought to you to the extent that when he died, you said, "Allah will never send another Messenger after him." That is how Allah misguides those who are unbridled and full

of doubt.' (40:34)

And in the alternation of night and day and the provision Allah sends down from the sky, bringing the earth to life by it after it has died, and the varying direction of the winds, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (45:5)

They say, 'There is nothing but our existence in this world. We die and we live and nothing destroys us except for time.' They have no knowledge of that. They are only conjecturing. (45:24)  
He who has fear will be reminded; but the most miserable will shun it, those who will roast in the Greatest Fire and then neither die nor live in it.  
(87:10-13)

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### EAR

Or that of a storm-cloud in the sky, full of darkness, thunder and lightning. They put their fingers in their ears against the thunderclaps, fearful of death. Allah encompasses the disbelievers. (2:19)

(Satan said,) 'I will lead them astray and fill them with false hopes. I will command them and they will cut off cattle's ears. I will command them and they will change Allah's creation.' Anyone who takes Satan as his protector in place of Allah has clearly lost everything. (4:119)

We prescribed for them in it: a life for a life, an eye for an eye, a nose for a nose, an ear for an ear, a tooth for a tooth, and retaliation for wounds. But if anyone forgoes that as a charity, it will act as expiation for him. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are wrongdoers. (5:45)

Some of them listen to you but We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. Though they see every Sign, they still have no faith, so that when they come to you, disputing with you, those who disbelieve say, 'This is nothing but the myths of previous peoples!' (6:25)

We created many of the jinn and mankind for Hell. They have hearts they do not understand with. They have eyes they do not see with. They have ears they do not hear with. Such people are like cattle. No, they are even further astray! They are the unaware. (7:179)

Do they have legs they can walk with? Do they have hands they can grasp with? Do they have eyes they can see with? Do they have ears they can hear with? Say: 'Call on your partner-gods and try all your wiles against me and grant me no reprieve. (7:195)

Among them are some who insult the Prophet, saying he is only an ear. Say, 'An ear of good for you, believing in Allah and believing in the believers, and a mercy for those among you who believe.' As for those who insult the Messenger of Allah, they will have a painful punishment. (9:61)

We have placed covers on their hearts, prevent-

ing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. When you mention your Lord alone in the Qur'an, they turn their backs and run away. (17:46)

So We sealed their ears with sleep in the cave for a number of years. (18:11)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who is reminded of the Signs of his Lord and then turns away from them, forgetting all that he has done before? We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. Though you call them to guidance, they will nonetheless never be guided. (18:57)

Have they not travelled about the earth and do they not have hearts to understand with or ears to hear with? It is not their eyes which are blind but the hearts in their breasts which are blind. (22:46)

When Our Signs are recited to such a person, he turns away arrogantly as if he had not heard, as if there was a great weight in his ears. So give him news of a painful punishment. (31:7)

They say, 'Our hearts are covered up against what you call us to and there is a heaviness in our ears. There is a screen between us and you. So act—we are certainly acting.' (41:5)

If We had made it a Qur'an in a foreign tongue they would have said, 'Why have its Signs not been made plain? What! A foreign language for an Arab?' Say: 'It is guidance and healing for people who believe. Those who do not believe have heaviness in their ears and for them it is blindness. Such people are being called from a very distant place.' (41:44)

And We diverted a group of jinn towards you to listen to the Qur'an. When they were in earshot of it they said, 'Be quiet and listen.' When it was over they went back to their people, warning them. (46:29)

Indeed, every time I called them to Your forgiveness, they put their fingers in their ears, wrapped themselves up in their clothes and were overweeningly arrogant. (71:7)

### EARTH, THE

When they are told, 'Do not cause corruption on

the earth,' they say, 'We are only putting things right.' (2:11)

It is He Who made the earth a couch for you, and the sky a dome. He sends down water from the sky and by it brings forth fruits for your provision. Do not, then, knowingly make others equal to Allah. (2:22)

Those who break Allah's contract after it has been agreed, and sever what Allah has commanded to be joined, and cause corruption on the earth, it is they who are the lost. (2:27)

When your Lord said to the angels, 'I am putting an overlord on the earth,' they said, 'Why put on it one who will cause corruption on it and shed blood when we glorify You with praise and proclaim Your purity?' He said, 'I know what you do not know.' (2:30)

But Satan made them slip up by means of it, expelling them from where they were. We said, 'Go down from here as enemies to each other! You will have residence on the earth and enjoyment for a time.' (2:36)

And when Musa was looking for water for his people, We said, 'Strike the rock with your staff.' Then twelve fountains gushed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. 'Eat and drink of Allah's provision and do not go about the earth corrupting it.' (2:60)

In the creation of the heavens and earth, and the alternation of the night and day, and the ships which sail the seas to people's benefit, and the water which Allah sends down from the sky--by which He brings the earth to life when it was dead and scatters about in it creatures of every kind--and the varying direction of the winds, and the clouds subservient between heaven and earth, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (2:164)

Mankind! Eat what is good and lawful on the earth. And do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He truly is an outright enemy to you. (2:168)

When he leaves you, he goes about the earth corrupting it, destroying crops and animals. Allah does not love corruption. (2:205)

And with Allah's permission they routed them. Dawud killed Goliath and Allah gave him kingship and wisdom and taught him whatever He

willed. If it were not for Allah's driving some people back by means of others, the earth would have been corrupted. But Allah shows favour to all the worlds. (2:251)

As for those who disbelieve and die while they are disbelievers, the whole earth filled with gold would not be accepted from any of them if they were to offer it as a ransom. They will have a painful punishment. They will have no helpers. (3:91)

Whole societies have passed away before your time, so travel about the earth and see the final fate of the deniers. (3:137)

The angels ask those they take while they are wronging themselves, 'What were your circumstances?' They reply, 'We were oppressed on earth.' They say, 'Was Allah's earth not wide enough for you to have migrated elsewhere in it?' The shelter of such people will be Hell. What an evil destination! (4:97)

Those who migrate in the Way of Allah will find many places of refuge on the earth and ample sustenance. If anyone leaves his home, migrating to Allah and His Messenger, and death catches up with him, it is Allah Who will reward him. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:100)

Those who say, 'Allah is the Messiah, son of Maryam,' are disbelievers. Say: 'Who possesses any power at all over Allah if He desires to destroy the Messiah, son of Maryam, and his mother, and everyone else on earth?' The kingdom of the heavens and the earth and everything between them belongs to Allah. He creates whatever He wills. Allah has power over all things. (5:17)

He said, 'The land will be forbidden to them for forty years during which they will wander aimlessly about the earth. Do not waste grief on this deviant people.' (5:26)

... So We decreed for the tribe of Israel that if someone kills another person--unless it is in retaliation for someone else or for causing corruption in the earth--it is as if he had murdered all mankind. And if anyone gives life to another person, it is as if he had given life to all mankind. Our Messengers came to them with Clear Signs but even after that many of them committed out-

rages in the earth. (5:32)

The reprisal against those who wage war on Allah and His Messenger, and go about the earth corrupting it, is that they should be killed or crucified, or have their alternate hands and feet cut off, or be banished from the land. That will be their degradation in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (5:33) As for those who disbelieve, if they had everything on the earth and the same again with it to ransom themselves from the punishment of the Day of Rising, it would not be accepted from them. They will have a painful punishment. (5:36)

The Jews say, 'Allah's hand is chained.' Their hands are chained and they are cursed for what they say! No! Both His hands are open wide and He gives however He wills. What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of them in insolence and disbelief. We have incited enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising. Each time they kindle the fire of war, Allah extinguishes it. They rush about the earth corrupting it. Allah does not love corrupters. (5:64)

Have they not seen how many generations We destroyed before them which We had established on the earth far more firmly than We have established you? We sent down heaven upon them in abundant rain and made rivers flow under them. But We destroyed them for their wrong actions and raised up further generations after them. (6:6)

Say: 'Travel about the earth and see the final fate of the deniers.' (6:11)

There is no creature crawling on the earth or flying creature, flying on its wings, who are not communities just like yourselves—We have not omitted anything from the Book—then they will be gathered to their Lord. (6:38)

If you obeyed most of those on earth, they would misguide you from Allah's Way. They follow nothing but conjecture. They are only guessing. (6:116)

It is He Who appointed you successors on the earth and raised some of you above others in rank so He could test you regarding what He has

given you. Your Lord is Swift in Retribution; and He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (6:165)

We have established you firmly on the earth and granted you your livelihood in it. What little thanks you show! (7:10)

He said, 'Go down from here as enemies to each other! You will have residence on the earth and enjoyment for a time.' (7:24)

Do not corrupt the earth after it has been put right. Call on Him fearfully and eagerly. Allah's mercy is close to the good-doers. (7:56)

(Salih said to his people,) 'Remember when He appointed you successors to 'Ad and settled you in the land. You built palaces on its plains and carved out houses from the mountains. Remember Allah's blessings and do not go about the earth, corrupting it.' (7:74)

Is it not clear to those who have inherited the earth after these people that, if We wanted to, We could strike them for their wrong actions, sealing up their hearts so that they cannot hear? (7:100)

The ruling circle of Pharaoh's people said, 'Are you going to leave Musa and his people to cause corruption in the earth and abandon you and your gods?' He said, 'We will kill their sons and let their women live. We have absolute power over them!' (7:127)

Musa said to his people, 'Seek help in Allah and be steadfast. The earth belongs to Allah. He bequeathes it to any of His servants He wills. The successful outcome is for those who guard against evil.' (7:128)

I will divert from My Signs all those who are arrogant in the earth without any right. If they see every Sign, they will not believe in it. If they see the way of right guidance, they will not take it as a way. But if they see the way of error, they will take that as a way. That is because they denied Our Signs and paid no attention to them. (7:146) And We divided them into nations in the earth. Some of them are righteous and some are other than that. We tried them with good and evil so that hopefully they would return. (7:168)

And (it is He Who) unified their hearts. Even if you had spent everything on the earth, you could not have unified their hearts. But Allah has unified them. He is Almighty, All-Wise. (8:63)

They swear by Allah that they said nothing, but they definitely spoke the word of disbelief and returned to disbelief after their Islam. They planned something which they did not achieve and they were vindictive for no other cause than that Allah and His Messenger had enriched them from His bounty. If they were to repent, it would be better for them. But if they turn away, Allah will punish them with a painful punishment in this world and the hereafter, and they will not find any protector or helper on the earth. (9:74) And (He turned) also towards the three who were left behind, so that when the earth became narrow for them, for all its great breadth, and their own selves became constricted for them and they realised that there was no refuge from Allah except in Him, He turned to them so that they might turn to Him. Allah is the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful. (9:118)

Then We appointed you after them to be successors on the earth so We might observe how you would act. (10:14)

But then, when He does rescue them, they become rebellious in the earth without any right to do so. Mankind, your rebelliousness is only against yourselves. There is the enjoyment of the life of this world and then you will return to Us and We will inform you about what you did. (10:23)

The metaphor of the life of this world is that of water which We send down from the sky, and which then mingles with the plants of the earth to provide food for both people and animals. Then, when the earth is at its loveliest and takes on its fairest guise and its people think they have it under their control, Our command comes upon it by night or day and We reduce it to dried-out stubble, as though it had not been flourishing just the day before! In this way We make Our Signs clear for people who reflect. (10:24)

If every self that did wrong possessed everything on earth, it would offer it as a ransom. They will show remorse when they see the punishment. Everything will be decided between them justly. They will not be wronged. (10:54)

If your Lord had willed, all the people on the earth would have believed. Do you think you

can force people to be believers? (10:99)

There is no creature on the earth which is not dependent upon Allah for its provision. He knows where it lives and where it dies. They are all in a Clear Book. (11:6)

They were not able to thwart Allah on earth, and had no protectors besides Allah. The punishment will be doubled for them. They were unable to hear and could not see. (11:20)

(Salih said,) 'My people! Here is the she-camel of Allah as a Sign for you. So leave her alone to eat on Allah's earth and do not inflict any harm on her or you will be overcome by an imminent punishment.' (11:64)

(Shu'ayb said,) 'My people! Give full measure and full weight with justice; do not diminish people's goods; and do not go about the earth, corrupting it.' (11:85)

Would that there had been more people with a vestige of good among the generations of those who came before you, who forbade corruption in the earth, other than the few among them whom We saved. Those who did wrong gladly pursued the life of luxury that they were given and were evildoers. (11:116)

In the earth there are diverse regions side by side and gardens of grapes and cultivated fields, and palm-trees sharing one root and others with individual roots, all watered with the same water. And We make some things better to eat than others. There are Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (13:4)

Those who respond to their Lord will receive the best. But as for those who do not respond to Him, even if they owned everything on the earth and the same again with it, they would offer it as a ransom. They will receive an evil Reckoning. Their shelter will be Hell. What an evil resting-place! (13:18)

But as for those who break Allah's contract after it has been agreed and sever what Allah has commanded to be joined, and cause corruption in the earth, the curse will be upon them. They will have the Evil Abode. (13:25)

What then of Him Who is standing over every self seeing everything it does? Yet still they associate others with Allah! Say: 'Name them! Or

would you inform Him of something in the earth He does not know, or are they words which are simply guesswork on your part?' However, the plotting of those who disbelieve seems good to them and they bar the way. Anyone misguided by Allah has no guide. (13:33)

Musa said, 'If you were to be ungrateful, you and everyone on the earth, Allah is Rich Beyond Need, Praiseworthy.' (14:8)

He (Satan) said, 'My Lord, because You misled me, I will make things on the earth seem good to them and I will mislead them all, every one of them.' (15:39)

We sent a Messenger among every people saying: 'Worship Allah and keep clear of all false gods.' Among them were some whom Allah guided but others received the misguidance they deserved. Travel about the earth and see the final fate of the deniers. (16:36)

He hides away from people because of the evil of the good news he has been given. Should he keep her ignominiously or bury her in the earth? What an evil judgement they make! (16:59)

Do not strut arrogantly about the earth. You will certainly never split the earth apart nor will you ever rival the mountains in height. (17:37)

Say: 'If there had been angels on the earth going about in peace, We would have sent down to them an angel from heaven as Messenger.' (17:95)

We made everything on the earth adornment for it so that We could test them to see whose actions are the best. (18:7)

Make a metaphor for them of the life of this world. It is like water which We send down from the sky and the plants of the earth combine with it but then become dry chaff scattered by the winds. Allah has absolute power over everything. (18:45)

On the Day We make the mountains move and you see the earth laid bare and We gather them together, not leaving out a single one of them. (18:47)

We gave him (Dhu'l-Qarnayn) power and authority on the earth and granted him a way to everything. (18:84)

It is We Who will inherit the earth and all those

on it. They will be returned to Us. (19:40) It is He Who made the earth a cradle for you and threaded pathways for you through it and sent down water from the sky by which We have brought forth various different types of plants. (20:53)

We placed firmly embedded mountains on the earth, so it would not move under them, and We put broad valleys as roadways in it, so that perhaps they might be guided. (21:31)

We wrote down in the Zabur, after the Reminder came: 'It is My servants who are righteous who will inherit the earth.' (21:105)

Mankind! If you are in any doubt about the Rising, know that We created you from dust then from a drop of sperm then from a clot of blood then from a lump of flesh, formed yet unformed, so We may make things clear to you. We make whatever We want stay in the womb until a specified time and then We bring you out as children so that you can reach your full maturity. Some of you die and some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that, after having knowledge, they then know nothing at all. And you see the earth dead and barren; then when We send down water onto it it quivers and swells and sprouts with luxuriant plants of every kind. (22:5)

(Believers are) those who, if We establish them firmly on the earth, will perform prayer and give the alms, and command what is right and forbid what is wrong. The end result of all affairs is with Allah. (22:41)

Do you not see that Allah sends down water from the sky and then in the morning the earth is covered in green? Allah is All-Subtle, All-Aware. (22:63)

We sent down a measured amount of water from heaven and lodged it firmly in the earth; and We are well able to remove it. (23:18)

It is He Who dispersed you about the earth and you will be gathered to Him. (23:79)

Say: 'To whom does the earth belong, and everyone in it, if you have any knowledge?' (23:84)

He will say, 'How many years did you tarry on the earth?' (23:112)

Do not imagine that those who disbelieve are able to escape Allah on earth. Their shelter will

be the Fire. What an evil destination! (24:57)  
The servants of the All-Merciful are those who walk lightly on the earth and, who, when the ignorant speak to them, say, 'Peace'. (25:63)  
Have they not looked at the earth and seen how We have made every sort of beneficial species grow in it? (26:7)

(Salih said to his people,) 'Do not obey the orders of the profligate, those who corrupt the earth and do not put things right.' (26:151-152)

Do not diminish people's goods and do not go about the earth, corrupting it. (26:183)

He Who made the earth a stable dwelling place and appointed rivers flowing through its midst and placed firmly embedded mountains on it and set a barrier between the two seas. Is there another god besides Allah? No indeed, but most of them do not know it! (27:61)

He Who responds to the oppressed when they call on Him and removes their distress, and has appointed you as inheritors of the earth. Is there another god besides Allah? How little you pay heed! (27:62)

Say: 'Travel about the earth and see the final fate of the evildoers.' (27:69)

(His people said to Qarun,) 'Seek the abode of the hereafter with what Allah has given you, without forgetting your portion of this world. And do good as Allah has been good to you. And do not seek to cause corruption in the earth. Allah does not love corrupters.' (28:77)

That abode of the hereafter—We grant it to those who do not seek to exalt themselves in the earth or to cause corruption in it. The successful outcome is for those who guard against evil. (28:83)  
Say: 'Travel about the earth and see how He brought creation out of nothing. Then later Allah will bring about the next existence. Allah has power over all things.' (29:20)

And to Madyan We sent their brother Shu'ayb, he said, 'My people, worship Allah and look to the Last Day and do not act unjustly on earth, corrupting it.' (29:36)

And Qarun and Pharaoh and Haman—Musa came with the Clear Signs to them, but they were arrogant on the earth. They could not outstrip Us. (29:39)

My servants, you who believe, My earth is wide, so worship Me alone! (29:56)

If you ask them, 'Who sends down water from the sky, bringing the earth back to life again after it was dead?' they will say, 'Allah.' Say: 'Praise be to Allah.' But most of them do not use their intellect. (29:63)

Have they not travelled in the earth and seen the final fate of those before them? They had greater strength than them and cultivated the land and inhabited it in far greater numbers than they do. Their Messengers also came to them with the Clear Signs. Allah would never have wronged them; but they wronged themselves. (30:9)

Say: 'Travel about the earth and see the final fate of those before. Most of them were idolaters.' (30:42)

So look at the effect of the mercy of Allah, how He brings the dead earth back to life. Truly He is the One Who brings the dead to life. He has power over all things. (30:50)

It is Allah Who created the heavens with no support—you can see them—and cast firmly embedded mountains on the earth so that it would not move under you, and scattered about in it creatures of every kind. And We send down water from the sky and make every generous species grow in it. (31:10)

Do not avert your face from people out of haughtiness and do not strut about arrogantly on the earth. Allah does not love anyone who is vain or boastful. (31:18)

If all the trees on earth were pens and all the sea, with seven more seas besides, was ink Allah's words still would not run dry. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (31:27)

It is He Who made you representatives on the earth. So whoever disbelieves, his disbelief is against himself. In Allah's sight, the disbelief of the disbelievers only increases their loathsomeness; the disbelief of the disbelievers only increases their loss. (35:39)

Have they not travelled in the land and seen the final fate of those before them? They were far greater than them in strength. Allah cannot be withheld in any way, either in the heavens or on earth. He is All-Knowing, All-Powerful. (35:44)

(We said), ‘Dawud! We have made you a successor on the earth, so judge between people with truth and do not follow your own desires, letting them misguide you from the Way of Allah. Those who are misguided from the Way of Allah will receive a harsh punishment because they forgot the Day of Reckoning.’ (38:26)

We did not create heaven and earth and everything between them to no purpose. That is the opinion of those who disbelieve. Woe to those who disbelieve, because of the Fire! (38:27)

Would We make those who believe and do right actions the same as those who cause corruption on the earth? Would We make those who guard against evil the same as the dissolute? (38:28)

If those who did wrong owned everything on earth, and the same again with it, they would offer it as a ransom to save themselves from the evil of the punishment on the Day of Rising. What confronts them from Allah will be something they did not reckon with. (39:47)

Have they not travelled in the earth and seen the final fate of those before them? They were greater than them in strength and left far deeper traces on the earth, yet Allah seized them for their wrong actions and they had no one to protect them from Allah. (40:21)

It is Allah Who made the earth a stable home for you and the sky a dome, and formed you, giving you the best of forms, and provided you with good and wholesome things. That is Allah, your Lord. Blessed be Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (40:64)

(Disbelievers will be told,) ‘That is because you exulted on the earth, without any right to do so; and strutted about.’ (40:75)

Have they not travelled in the land and seen the final fate of those before them? They were more numerous than them and greater in strength and left more and deeper traces on earth, but what they earned was of no use to them. (40:82)

Among His Signs is that you see the earth laid bare and then when We send down water on it, it quivers and swells. He Who gives it life is He Who gives life to the dead. Certainly He has power over all things. (41:39)

Were Allah to expand the provision of His ser-

vants, they would act as tyrants on the earth. But He sends down whatever He wills in a measured way. He is aware of and He sees His servants. (42:27)

You will not be able to thwart Him on the earth and you have no protector or helper besides Allah. (42:31)

There are only grounds against those who wrong people and act as tyrants in the earth without any right to do so. Such people will have a painful punishment. (42:42)

If We wished We could appoint angels in exchange for you to succeed you on the earth. (43:60)

And in the alternation of night and day and the provision Allah sends down from the sky, bringing the earth to life by it after it has died, and the varying direction of the winds, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (45:5)

On the Day when those who disbelieved are exposed to the Fire: ‘You dissipated the good things you had in your worldly life and enjoyed yourself in it. So today you are being repaid with the punishment of humiliation for being arrogant in the earth without any right and for being deviators.’ (46:20)

(A group of jinn said to their people,) ‘Those who do not respond to Allah’s caller cannot thwart Allah on earth and have no protectors apart from Him. Such people are clearly misguided.’ (46:32) Have they not travelled about the earth and seen the final fate of those before them? Allah destroyed them utterly. And those who disbelieve will suffer the same fate. (47:10)

Is it not likely that, if you did turn away, you would cause corruption in the earth and sever your ties of kinship? (47:22)

There are certainly Signs in the earth for people with certainty. (51:20)

Know that Allah brings the earth to life after it was dead. We have made the Signs clear to you so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (57:17)

Nothing occurs, either in the earth or in yourselves, without its being in a Book before We make it happen. That is something easy for Allah. (57:22)

Then when the prayer is finished spread through the earth and seek Allah's bounty and remember Allah much so that hopefully you will be successful. (62:10)

It is He Who made the earth submissive to you, so walk its broad trails and eat what it provides. The Resurrection is to Him. (67:15)

Say: 'It is He Who scattered you about the earth and you will be gathered to Him.' (67:24)

So when the Trumpet is blown with a single blast, and the earth and the mountains are lifted and crushed with a single blow, (69:13-14)

On the Day the sky is like molten brass and the mountains like tufts of coloured wool. no good friend will ask about his friend even though they can see each other. An evildoer will wish he could ransom himself from the punishment of that Day, by means of his sons, or his wife or his brother or his family who sheltered him or everyone else on earth, if that only meant that he could save himself. (70:8-14)

Nuh said, 'My Lord! Do not leave a single one of the disbelievers on earth!' (71:26)

(Say: 'It has been revealed to me that a band of the jinn listened and said,) "We have no idea whether evil is intended for those on the earth, or whether their Lord intends them to be rightly guided.'" (72:10)

(Say: 'It has been revealed to me that a band of the jinn listened and said,) "We realised we would never thwart Allah on earth and would never thwart Him by flight.'" (72:12)

On the Day the earth and mountains shake and the mountains become like shifting dunes. (73:14)

Did We not make the earth a receptacle? (77:25)

Have We not made the earth a flat carpet? (78:6)

After that He smoothed out the earth. (79:30)

## **EARTH (SOIL)**

You who believe! Do not nullify your charity by demands for gratitude or insulting words, like him who spends his wealth, showing off to people and not believing in Allah and the Last Day. His likeness is that of a smooth rock coated with soil, which, when heavy rain falls on it, is left stripped bare. They have no power over anything

they have earned. Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (2:264)

The likeness of 'Isa in Allah's sight is the same as Adam. He created him from earth and then He said to him, 'Be!' and he was. (3:59)

You who believe! Do not approach the prayer when you are drunk, so that you will know what you are saying, nor in a state of major impurity—unless you are travelling—until you have washed yourselves completely. If you are ill or on a journey, or any of you have come from the lavatory or touched women, and you cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, wiping your faces and your hands. Allah is Ever-Pardoning, Ever-Forgiving. (4:43)

You who believe! When you get up to perform prayer, wash your faces and your hands and your arms to the elbows, and wipe over your heads, and (wash) your feet to the ankles. If you are in a state of major impurity, then purify yourselves. But if you are ill or on a journey, or have come from the lavatory, or have touched women, and cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, and wipe your faces and your hands therewith. Allah does not want to make things difficult for you, but He does want to purify you and to perfect His blessing upon you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:6)

It is He Who created you from earth, then from a drop of sperm, then from a clot of blood, then He brings you out as infants, then so you may achieve full strength, then so you may become old men—though some of you may die before that time—so that you may reach a predetermined age and so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (40:67)

To whoever avoids the major wrong actions and indecencies—except for minor lapses—truly your Lord is vast in forgiveness. He has most knowledge of you when He first produced you from the earth, and when you were embryos in your mothers' wombs. So do not claim purity for yourselves. He knows best those who guard against evil. (53:32)

## **EAST – WEST**

Both East and West belong to Allah, so wherever

you turn, the Face of Allah is there. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing. (2:115)  
The fools among the people will ask, 'What has made them turn round from the direction they used to face?' Say, 'Both East and West belong to Allah. He guides whoever He wills to a straight path.' (2:142)

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

What about the one who argued with Ibrahim about his Lord, on the basis that Allah had given him sovereignty? Ibrahim said, 'My Lord is He Who gives life and causes to die.' He said, 'I too give life and cause to die.' Ibrahim said, 'Allah makes the sun come from the East. Make it come from the West.' And the one who was a disbeliever was dumbfounded. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (2:258)

And We bequeathed to the people who had been oppressed the easternmost part of the land We had blessed, and its westernmost part as well. The most excellent Word of your Lord was fulfilled for the tribe of Israel on account of their steadfastness. And We utterly destroyed what Pharaoh and his people made and the buildings they constructed. (7:137)

Mention Maryam in the Book, how she withdrew from her people to an eastern place. (19:16)  
Allah is the Light of the heavens and the earth. The metaphor of His Light is that of a niche in which is a lamp, the lamp inside a glass, the glass like a brilliant star, lit from a blessed tree, an olive, neither of the east nor of the west, its oil all but giving off light even if no fire touches it. Light upon Light. Allah guides to His Light whoever He wills and Allah makes metaphors for mankind

and Allah has knowledge of all things. (24:35)  
He said, 'The Lord of the East and the West and everything between them if you used your intellect.' (26:28)

So they pursued them towards the east. (26:60)  
Lord of the heavens and the earth and everything between them; Lord of the Easts. (37:5)

If someone shuts his eyes to the remembrance of the All-Merciful, We assign him a Satan who becomes his bosom friend. They debar them from the path, yet they still think they are guided--so that, when he reaches Us, he says, 'If only there was the distance of the two Easts between you and me!' What an evil companion! (43:36-38)  
The Lord of the two Easts and the Lord of the two Wests. (55:17)

No! I swear by the Lord of the Easts and Wests that We have the power. (70:40)

Lord of the East and West--there is no god but Him--so take Him as your Guardian. (73:9)

## EATING

They (the Disciples) said, 'We want to eat from it and for our hearts to be at peace and to know that you have told us the truth and to be among those who witness it.' (5:113)

Do not eat anything over which the name of Allah has not been mentioned. To do so is sheer deviance. The Satans inspire their friends to dispute with you. If you obeyed them you would then be idolaters. (6:121)

He (Yusuf's father) said, 'It grieves me to let him go with you I fear a wolf might come and eat him up while you are heedless, not attending him.' (12:13)

Two servants entered prison along with him. One said, 'I dreamt that I was pressing grapes.' The other said, 'I dreamt I carried bread upon my head and birds were eating it. Tell us the true meaning of these dreams. We see that you're one of the righteous.' (12:36)

(Yusuf said,) 'My fellow-captives, one of you will serve his lord with wine, the other of you will be crucified and birds will eat his head. The thing you asked about is foreordained.' (12:41)  
And He created livestock. There is warmth for you in them, and various uses and some you

eat. (16:5)

It is He Who made the sea subservient to you so that you can eat fresh flesh from it and bring out from it ornaments to wear. And you see the ships cleaving through it so that you can seek His bounty, and so that hopefully you will show thanks. (16:14)

They say, 'What is the matter with this Messenger, that he eats food and walks in the market-place? Why has an angel not been sent down to him so that it can be a warner along with him? Why has treasure not been showered down on him? Why does he not have a garden to give him food?' The wrongdoers say, 'You are merely following a man who is bewitched.' (25:7-8)

We never sent any Messengers before you who did not eat food and walk in the market-place. But We have made some of you a trial for others to see if you will be steadfast. Your Lord sees everything. (25:20)

Do they not see how We drive water to barren land and bring forth crops by it which their livestock and they themselves both eat? So will they not see? (32:27)

You who believe! Do not go into the Prophet's rooms except when you are invited to come and eat. Do not wait there while the food is being cooked. However, when you are called, go in, and when you have eaten, disperse, not remaining there to chat with one another. Doing that causes annoyance to the Prophet though he is too reticent to tell you so. But Allah is not reticent with the truth. When you ask his wives for something, ask them from behind a screen. That is purer for your hearts and their hearts. It is not right for you to cause annoyance to the Messenger of Allah or ever to marry his wives after him. To do that would be a dreadful thing in Allah's sight. (33:53)

Then when We decreed that he (Sulayman) should die, nothing divulged his death to them except the worm which ate his staff; so that when he fell down it was made clear to the jinn that if they had truly had knowledge of the Unseen they need not have stayed there suffering humiliating punishment. (34:14)

A Sign for them is the dead land which We bring to life and from which We bring forth grain of which they eat. (36:33)

We place in it gardens of dates and grapes, and cause springs to gush out in it, so they may eat its fruits—they did not do it themselves. So will they not be thankful? (36:34-35)

They will eat from it and fill their bellies with it. (37:66)

He (Ibrahim) turned surreptitiously to their gods and said, 'Do you not eat?' (37:91)

It is Allah Who has given you livestock, some for you to ride and some to eat. (40:79)

There will be many fruits in it for you to eat. (43:73)

Allah will admit those who believe to Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Those who disbelieve have their enjoyment, eating as cattle eat, but the Fire will be their final residence. (47:12)

You who believe! Avoid most suspicion. Indeed some suspicion is a crime. And do not spy and do not backbite one another. Would any of you like to eat his brother's dead flesh? No, you would hate it. And have fear of Allah. Allah is Ever-Returning, Most Merciful. (49:12)

He (Ibrahim) offered it to them and then exclaimed, 'Do you not then eat?' (51:27)

Then you, you misguided, you deniers will eat from the tree of Zaqqum. (56:51-52)

'Therefore here today he has no friend nor any food except exuding pus which no one will eat except those who were in error.' (69:35-37)

## EDEN

Allah has promised the men and women of the believers Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and fine dwellings in the Gardens of Eden. And Allah's good pleasure is even greater. That is the great victory. (9:72)

Gardens of Eden which they will enter, and all of their parents, wives and children who were righteous. Angels will enter in to welcome them from every gate. (13:23)

Gardens of Eden which they enter, with rivers flowing under them, where they have whatever

they desire. That is how Allah repays those who guard against evil. (16:31)

They will have Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them. They will be adorned in them with bracelets made of gold and wear green garments made of the finest silk and rich brocade, reclining there on couches under canopies. What an excellent reward! What a wonderful repose! (18:31)

Gardens of Eden which the All-Merciful has promised to His servants in the Unseen. His promise is always kept. (19:61)

Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the reward of those who purify themselves. (20:76)

They will enter Gardens of Eden where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. (35:33)

Gardens of Eden, whose gates will be open to them. (38:50)

(Angels ask forgiveness for the believers,) ‘Our Lord, admit them to the Gardens of Eden You have promised them, and all of their parents, wives and children who acted rightly. Truly You are the Almighty, the All-Wise.’ (40:8)

He will forgive you your wrong actions and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, and fine dwellings in the Gardens of Eden. That is the Great Victory. (61:12)

Their reward is with their Lord: Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. That is for those who fear their Lord. (98:8)

## **EGYPT**

And when you said, ‘Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces—its green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,’ he said, ‘Do you want to replace what is better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.’ Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon themselves. That was because they rejected Allah’s Signs and killed the Prophets without any

right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

We revealed to Musa and his brother: ‘Settle your people in houses in Egypt and make your houses places of worship and perform prayer and give good news to the believers.’ (10:87)

The Egyptian who had bought him told his wife, ‘Look after him with honour and respect. It’s possible he will be of use to us or perhaps we might adopt him as a son.’ And thus We established Yusuf in the land to teach him the true meaning of events. Allah is in control of His affair. However, most of mankind do not know. (12:21) Then when they entered into Yusuf’s presence, he drew his parents close to him and said, ‘Enter Egypt safe and sound, if Allah wills.’ (12:99)

Pharaoh called to his people, saying, ‘My people, does the kingdom of Egypt not belong to me? Do not all these rivers flow under my control? Do you not then see?’ (43:51)

## **EMBRYO**

To whoever avoids the major wrong actions and indecencies—except for minor lapses—truly your Lord is vast in forgiveness. He has most knowledge of you when He first produced you from the earth, and when you were embryos in your mothers’ wombs. So do not claim purity for yourselves. He knows best those who guard against evil. (53:32)

## **EMINENCE**

They said, ‘Your Eminence! He has an old and venerable father, so take one of us instead of him. We see without a doubt that you are of the people who do good.’ (12:78)

So when they came into his presence, they said, ‘Your Eminence! Hardship has hit us and our families. We bring scant merchandise, but fill the measure for us generously. Allah always rewards a generous giver.’ (12:88)

## **ENEMY – ENMITY**

But Satan made them slip up by means of it, expelling them from where they were. We said, ‘Go down from here as enemies to each other! You will have residence on the earth and enjoyment

for a time.' (2:36)

Then you are the people who are killing one another and expelling a group among you from their homes, ganging up against them in wrongdoing and enmity. Yet if they are brought to you as captives, you ransom them, when it was forbidden for you to expel them in the first place! Do you, then, believe in one part of the Book and reject the other? What repayment will there be for any of you who do that except disgrace in this world? And on the Day of Rising, they will be returned to the harshest of punishments. Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:85)

Say, 'Anyone who is the enemy of Gabriel should know that it was he who brought it down upon your heart, by Allah's authority, confirming what came before, and as guidance and good news for the believers.' (2:97)

Anyone who is the enemy of Allah and of His angels, and of His Messengers and of Gabriel and Michael, should know that Allah is the enemy of the disbelievers. (2:98)

Mankind! Eat what is good and lawful on the earth. And do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He truly is an outright enemy to you. (2:168)

Fight them until there is no more discord and the religion belongs to Allah alone. If they cease, there should be no enmity towards any but wrongdoers. (2:193)

You who believe! Enter Islam totally. Do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He is an outright enemy to you. (2:208)

Hold fast to the rope of Allah all together, and do not separate. Remember Allah's blessing to you when you were enemies and He joined your hearts together so that you became brothers by His blessing. You were on the very brink of a pit of the Fire and He rescued you from it. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will be guided. (3:103)

As for anyone who does that out of enmity and wrongdoing, We will roast him in a Fire. That is an easy matter for Allah. (4:30)

Allah knows best who your enemies are. Allah suffices as a Protector; Allah suffices as a Helper. (4:45)

A believer should never kill another believer un-

less it is by mistake. Anyone who kills a believer by mistake should free a believing slave and pay blood-money to his family unless they forgo it as a charity. If he is from a people who are your enemies and is a believer, you should free a believing slave. If he is from a people you have a treaty with, blood money should be paid to his family and you should free a believing slave. Anyone who cannot find the means should fast two consecutive months. This is a concession from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:92)

When you are travelling in the land, there is nothing wrong in your shortening your prayer if you fear that those who disbelieve may harass you. The disbelievers are your clear-cut enemies. (4:101)

Do not relax in pursuit of the enemy. If you feel pain, they too are feeling it just as you are, but you hope for something from Allah which they cannot hope for. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:104)

You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

We also made a covenant with those who say, 'We are Christians,' and they too forgot a good portion of what they were reminded of. So We stirred up enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising when Allah will inform them about what they did. (5:14)

You see many of them rushing to wrongdoing and enmity and acquiring ill-gotten gains. What an evil thing they do! (5:62)

The Jews say, 'Allah's hand is chained.' Their hands are chained and they are cursed for what they say! No! Both His hands are open wide and He gives however He wills. What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of

them in insolence and disbelief. We have incited enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising. Each time they kindle the fire of war, Allah extinguishes it. They rush about the earth corrupting it. Allah does not love corrupters. (5:64)

Satan wants to stir up enmity and hatred between you by means of wine and gambling, and to debar you from remembrance of Allah and from prayer. Will you not then give them up? (5:91)

In this way We have appointed as enemies to every Prophet Satans from both mankind and from the jinn, who inspire each other with delusions by means of specious words—if your Lord had willed, they would not have done it, so abandon them and all they fabricate. (6:112)

And also (He provides) animals for riding and for haulage and animals for slaughtering and for wool. Eat what Allah has provided for you and do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He is an outright enemy to you. (6:142)

So he enticed them to do it by means of trickery. Then when they tasted the tree, their private parts were disclosed to them and they started stitching together the leaves of the Garden in order to cover themselves. Their Lord called out to them, ‘Did I not forbid you this tree and say to you, “Satan is an outright enemy to you”?’ (7:22)

He said, ‘Go down from here as enemies to each other! You will have residence on the earth and enjoyment for a time.’ (7:24)

They said, ‘We suffered harm before you came to us and after you came to us.’ He (Musa) said, ‘It may well be that your Lord is going to destroy your enemy and make you the successors in the land so that He can see how you behave.’ (7:129)

When Musa returned to his people in anger and great sorrow, he said, ‘What an evil thing you did in my absence after I left! Did you want to hasten your Lord’s command?’ He threw down the Tablets and seized hold of his brother’s head, dragging him towards him. Harun said, ‘Son of my mother, The people oppressed me and almost killed me. Do not give my enemies cause to gloat over me. Do not include me with the wrongdoers.’ (7:150)

Arm yourselves against them with all the fire-

power and cavalry you can muster, to terrify the enemies of Allah and your enemies, and others besides them whom you do not know. Allah knows them. Anything you spend in the Way of Allah will be repaid to you in full. You will not be wronged. (8:60)

If Allah returns you to a group of them, and they ask you for permission to go out, say, ‘You will never go out with me, nor will you ever fight an enemy with me. You were happy to stay behind the first time, so stay behind with those who are left behind.’ (9:83)

Ibrahim would not have asked forgiveness for his father but for a promise he made to him, and when it became clear to him that he was an enemy of Allah, he renounced him. Ibrahim was tender-hearted and forbearing. (9:114)

It was not for people of Madina, and the desert arabs around them, to remain behind the Messenger of Allah nor to prefer themselves to him. That is because no thirst or weariness or hunger will afflict them in the Way of Allah, nor will they take a single step to infuriate the disbelievers, nor secure any gain from the enemy, without a right action being written down for them because of it. Allah does not let the wage of the good-doers go to waste. (9:120)

We brought the tribe of Israel across the sea and Pharaoh and his troops pursued them out of tyranny and enmity. Then, when he was on the point of drowning, he said, ‘I believe that there is no god but Him in whom the tribe of Israel believe. I am one of the Muslims.’ (10:90)

He (Yusuf’s father) said, ‘My son, don’t tell your brothers your dream lest they devise some scheme to injure you, Satan is a clear-cut enemy to man.’ (12:5)

Say to My servants that they should only say the best. Satan wants to stir up trouble between them. Satan is an outright enemy to man. (17:53)

When We said to the angels, ‘Prostrate yourselves to Adam,’ they prostrated with the exception of Diabolis. He was one of the jinn and wantonly deviated from his Lord’s command. Do you take him and his offspring as protectors apart from Me when they are your enemy? How evil is the exchange the wrongdoers make! (18:50)

(Allah said to Musa,) ‘When We revealed to your mother: “Place him into the box and throw it into the sea and the sea will wash it up on the shore, where an enemy of Mine and his will pick it up.” I showered you with love from Me so that you would be brought up under My supervision.’ (20:38-39)

Tribe of Israel! We rescued you from your enemy and made an appointment with you on the right hand side of the Mount and sent down manna and quails for you. (20:80)

We said, ‘Adam, this is an enemy for you and your wife, so do not let him expel you from the Garden and thus make you miserable.’ (20:117) He said, ‘Go down from it, all of you, as enemies to one another! But when guidance comes to you from Me, all those who follow My guidance will not go astray and will not be miserable.’ (20:123) In this way We have assigned to every Prophet an enemy from among the evildoers. But your Lord is a sufficient guide and helper. (25:31)

(Ibrahim said,) ‘They are all my enemies—except for the Lord of all the worlds.’ (26:77)

The family of Pharaoh picked him up so that he might be an enemy and a source of grief to them. Certainly Pharaoh and Haman and their troops were in the wrong. (28:8)

He entered the city at a time when its inhabitants were unaware and found two men fighting there—one from his party and the other from his enemy. The one from his party asked for his support against the other from his enemy. So Musa hit him, dealing him a fatal blow. He said, ‘This is part of Satan’s handiwork. He truly is an outright and misleading enemy.’ (28:15)

But when he was about to grab the man who was their common enemy, he said, ‘Musa! Do you want to kill me just as you killed a person yesterday? You only want to be a tyrant in the land; you do not want to be a reformer.’ (28:19)

Satan is your enemy so treat him as an enemy. He summons his party so they will be among the people of the Searing Blaze. (35:6)

Did I not make a contract with you, tribe of Adam, not to worship Satan, who truly is an outright enemy to you? (36:60)

On the Day We crowd the enemies of Allah into

the Fire and they are driven in close-packed ranks. (41:19)

That is the repayment of the enemies of Allah—the Fire. They will have it for their Eternal Home as repayment for their renunciation of Our Signs. (41:28)

A good action and a bad action are not the same. Repel the bad with something better and, if there is enmity between you and someone else, he will be like a bosom friend. (41:34)

Do not let Satan bar your way. He truly is an outright enemy to you. (43:62)

On that Day the closest friends will be enemies to one another—except for those who guard against evil. (43:67)

When mankind is gathered together, they will be their enemies and will reject their worship. (46:6)

Do you not see those who were forbidden to confer together secretly returning to the very thing they were forbidden to do, and conferring together secretly in wrongdoing and enmity and disobedience to the Messenger? And when they come to you they greet you with words Allah has never used in greeting you, and say to themselves ‘Why does Allah not punish us for what we say?’ Hell will be enough for them! They will roast in it. What an evil destination! (58:8)

You who believe! When you confer together secretly, do not do so in wrongdoing and enmity and disobedience to the Messenger; rather confer together in goodness and fear of Allah. Have fear of Allah—Him to Whom you will be gathered. (58:9)

You who believe! Do not take My enemy and your enemy as friends, showing love for them when they have rejected the truth that has come to you, driving out the Messenger and yourselves simply because you believe in Allah your Lord. If you go out to strive in My Way and seeking My pleasure, keeping secret the love you have for them, I know best what you conceal and what you make known. Any of you who do that have strayed from the right way. (60:1)

If they come upon you, they will be your enemies and stretch out their hands and tongues against you with evil intent, and they would dearly love you to become disbelievers. (60:2)

You have an excellent example in Ibrahim and those with him, when they said to their people, 'We wash our hands of you and all that you worship apart from Allah, and we reject you. Between us and you there will be enmity and hatred for ever unless and until you believe in Allah alone.' Except for Ibrahim's words to his father: 'I will ask forgiveness for you but I have no power to help you in any way against Allah.' 'Our Lord, we have put our trust in You and have repented to You. You are our final destination.' (60:4) It may well be that Allah will restore the love between you and those of them who are now your enemies. Allah is All-Powerful. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (60:7)

You who believe! Be helpers of Allah as 'Isa son of Maryam said to the Disciples, 'Who will be my helpers to Allah?' The Disciples said, 'We will be the helpers of Allah.' One faction of the tribe of Israel believed and the other disbelieved. So We supported those who believed against their enemy and they became victorious. (61:14)

When you see them, their outward form appeals to you, and if they speak you listen to what they say. But they are like propped-up planks of wood. They imagine every cry to be against them. They are the enemy, so beware of them. May Allah destroy them! How they are perverted! (63:4)

You who believe! Some of your wives and children are an enemy to you, so be wary of them. But if you pardon and exonerate and forgive, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (64:14)

## **ENJOYMENT OF THIS WORLD**

But Satan made them slip up by means of it, expelling them from where they were. We said, 'Go down from here as enemies to each other! You will have residence on the earth and enjoyment for a time.' (2:36)

To mankind the love of worldly appetites is painted in glowing colours: women and children, and heaped-up mounds of gold and silver, and horses with fine markings, and livestock and fertile farmland. All that is merely the enjoyment of the life of this world. The best homecoming is in the presence of Allah. (3:14)

Every self will taste death. You will be paid your wages in full on the Day of Rising. Anyone who is distanced from the Fire and admitted to the Garden has triumphed. The life of this world is just the enjoyment of delusion. (3:185)

Do you not see those who were told: 'Hold back from fighting but perform prayer and give the alms'? Then when fighting is prescribed for them, a group of them fear people as Allah should be feared, or even more than that. They say, 'Our Lord, why have you prescribed fighting for us? If only You would give us just a little more time!' Say, 'The enjoyment of this world is very brief. The hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. You will not be wronged by so much as the smallest speck.' (4:77)

He said, 'Go down from here as enemies to each other! You will have residence on the earth and enjoyment for a time.' (7:24)

But then, when He does rescue them, they become rebellious in the earth without any right to do so. Mankind, your rebelliousness is only against yourselves. There is the enjoyment of the life of this world and then you will return to Us and We will inform you about what you did. (10:23)

There is the enjoyment of this world. Then they will return to Us. Then We will let them taste the terrible punishment because they disbelieved. (10:70)

'Ask your Lord for forgiveness and then repent to Him. He will let you enjoy a good life until a specified time, and will give His favour to all who merit it. But if you turn your backs, I fear for you the punishment of a Mighty Day.' (11:3)

He sends down water from the sky and river-beds fill up and flow according to their size, and the floodwater carries with it an increasing layer of scum; a similar kind of scum comes from what you heat up in the fire, when you desire to make jewellery or other things. That is how Allah depicts the true and the false. As for the scum, it is quickly swept away. But as for that which is of use to people, it remains behind in the ground. That is a metaphor which Allah has made. (13:17)

Allah expands provision to anyone He wills and

restricts it. They rejoice in the life of this world. Yet the life of this world, compared to the hereafter, is only fleeting enjoyment. (13:26)

A brief enjoyment (will be theirs), then they will have a painful punishment. (16:117)

Those who cannot find the means to marry should be abstinent until Allah enriches them from His bounty. If any slaves you own want to make a contract to free themselves, write it for them if you know of good in them and give them some of the wealth Allah has given you. Do not force your slavegirls to prostitute themselves if they desire to be virtuous women out of your desire for the goods of this world. If anyone forces them, then after they have been forced, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:33)

They will say, 'Glory be to You! It would not have been fitting for us to have taken any protectors apart from You. But You let them and their fathers enjoy themselves so that they forgot the Reminder. They were people devoid of good.' (25:18)

Do you think, if We let them enjoy themselves for years and then what they were promised comes to them, that what they enjoyed will be of any use to them? (26:205-207)

Anything you have been given is only the enjoyment of the life of this world and its finery. What is with Allah is better and longer lasting. So will you not use your intellect? (28:60)

Is someone whom We have promised good and who then obtains it, the same as someone whom We have given enjoyment in the life of this world and who then, on the Day of Rising, is one of those brought to punishment? (28:61)

When harm touches people they call on their Lord, repenting to Him. But then, when He gives them a taste of mercy from Him, a group of them immediately associate others with their Lord to show ingratitude for what We have given them. 'Enjoy yourselves—you will soon know.' (30:33-34)

We will let them enjoy themselves a little, then drive them to a harsh punishment. (31:24)

Say: 'Flight will not benefit you if you try to run away from death or being killed. Then you will only enjoy a short respite.' (33:16)

(The man who believed said,) 'My people! The

life of this world is only fleeting enjoyment. It is the hereafter which is the abode of permanence.' (40:39)

Whatever you have been given is only the enjoyment of the life of this world. What is with Allah is better and longer lasting for those who believe and trust in their Lord. (42:36)

I let those people and their forefathers enjoy themselves until the truth came to them and a Messenger to make it clear. (43:29)

Were it not that mankind might all become one community, We would have given those who reject the All-Merciful silver roofs to their houses and silver stairways to ascend and silver doors to their houses and silver couches on which to recline, and gold ornaments. All that is merely the trappings of the life of this world. But the hereafter with your Lord is for those who guard against evil. (43:33-35)

Allah will admit those who believe to Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Those who disbelieve have their enjoyment, eating as cattle eat, but the Fire will be their final residence. (47:12)

Know that the life of this world is merely a game and a diversion and ostentation and a cause of boasting among yourselves and trying to outdo one another in wealth and children: like the plant-growth after rain which delights the cultivators, but then it withers and you see it turning yellow, and then it becomes broken stubble. In the hereafter there is terrible punishment but also forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure. The life of this world is nothing but the enjoyment of delusion. (57:20)

## ENVY

Many of the People of the Book would love it if they could turn you back to disbelief after you have become believers, showing their innate envy now that the truth is clear to them. But you should pardon and overlook until Allah gives His command. Truly Allah has power over all things. (2:109)

Mankind was a single community. Then Allah sent out Prophets bringing good news and giving warning, and with them He sent down the Book

with truth to decide between people regarding their differences. Only those who were given it differed about it, after the Clear Signs had come to them, envying one another. Then, by His permission, Allah guided those who believed to the truth of that about which they had differed. Allah guides whoever He wills to a straight path. (2:213) The religion with Allah is Islam. Those given the Book only differed after knowledge had come to them, envying one another. As for those who reject Allah's Signs, Allah is swift at reckoning. (3:19) Or do they in fact envy other people for the bounty Allah has granted them? We gave the family of Ibrahim the Book and Wisdom, and We gave them an immense kingdom. (4:54)

When you go out to get the booty, those who remained behind will say, 'Allow us to follow you,' desiring to alter Allah's words. Say: 'You may not follow us. That is what Allah said before.' They will say, 'It is only because you envy us.' No indeed! How little they have understood! (48:15)

### **EQUATING ONE'S WIFE WITH ONE'S MOTHER (ZIHAR)**

Allah has not allotted to any man two hearts within his breast, nor has He made those of your wives you equate with your mothers your actual mothers, nor has He made your adopted sons your actual sons. These are just words coming out of your mouths. But Allah speaks the truth and He guides to the Way. (33:4)

Those of you who divorce your wives by equating them with your mothers, they are not your mothers. Your mothers are only those who gave birth to you. What you are saying is wrong and a slanderous lie. But Allah is Ever-Pardoning, Ever-Forgiving. (58:2)

Those who divorce their wives by equating them with their mothers, and then wish to go back on what they said, must set free a slave before the two of them may touch one another. This is what you are enjoined to do. Allah is aware of what you do. (58:3)

### **ESTEEM**

When the angels said, 'Maryam, your Lord gives you good news of a Word from Him. His name is

the Messiah, 'Isa, son of Maryam, of high esteem in this world and the hereafter, and one of those brought near.' (3:45)

They said, 'Shu'ayb, We do not understand much of what you say and we see you are weak among us. Were it not for your clan, we would have stoned you. We do not hold you in high esteem!' (11:91)

He said, 'My people! Do you esteem my clan more than you do Allah? You have made Him into something to cast disdainfully behind your backs! But my Lord encompasses everything that you do!' (11:92)

(Ibrahim said, 'My Lord,) make me highly esteemed among the later peoples.' (26:84)

### **EVENING GLOW**

No, I swear by the evening glow, (84:16)

### **EVERLASTING**

They will want to get out of the Fire but they will not be able to. They will have an everlasting punishment. (5:37)

Their Lord gives them the good news of His mercy and good pleasure and Gardens where they will enjoy everlasting delight, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Truly there is an immense reward with Allah. (9:21-22)

Allah has promised the men and women of the hypocrites and disbelievers the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. It will suffice them. Allah has cursed them. They will have everlasting punishment. (9:68)

(Nuh said,) 'You will soon know who will receive a punishment which disgraces him and find unleashed against himself an everlasting punishment.' (11:39)

But Satan whispered to him, saying, 'Adam, shall I show you the way to the Tree of Everlasting Life and to a kingdom which will never fade away?' (20:120)

Say: 'My people, do as you think best; that is what I am doing. You will soon know who will receive a punishment which disgraces him and will unleash against himself an everlasting punishment.' (39:39-40)

You will see them as they are exposed to it (the

punishment), abject in their abasement, glancing around them furtively. Those who believe will say, ‘Truly the losers are those who lose themselves and their families on the Day of Rising.’ The wrongdoers are in an everlasting punishment. (42:45)

Allah, the Everlasting Sustainer of all. (112:2)

## EVIL

He (Satan) only commands you to do evil and indecent acts and to say about Allah what you do not know. (2:169)

What they call on apart from Him are female idols. What they call on is an arrogant Satan whom Allah has cursed. He said, ‘I will take a certain fixed proportion of Your servants. I will lead them astray and fill them with false hopes. I will command them and they will cut off cattle’s ears. I will command them and they will change Allah’s creation.’ Anyone who takes Satan as his protector in place of Allah has clearly lost everything. (4:117-119)

On the Day We gather them all together: ‘Company of jinn, you gained many followers among mankind.’ And their friends among mankind will say, ‘Our Lord, we benefited from one another, and now we have reached the term which You determined for us.’ He will say, ‘The Fire is your home. You will be in it timelessly, for ever, except as Allah wills. Your Lord is All-Wise, All-Knowing.’ (6:128)

You who believe! Do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. Anyone who follows in Satan’s footsteps should know that he commands indecency and wrongdoing. Were it not for Allah’s favour to you and His mercy, not one of you would ever have been purified. But Allah purifies whoever He wills. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (24:21)

(Yusuf said,) ‘I do not say my self was free from blame. The self indeed commands to evil acts—except for those my Lord has mercy on. My Lord, He is Forgiving, Merciful.’ (12:53)

We created man and We know what his own self whispers to him. We are nearer to him than his jugular vein. (50:16)

Allah commands justice and doing good and giv-

ing to relatives. And He forbids indecency and doing wrong and tyranny. He warns you so that hopefully you will pay heed. (16:90)

Whoever acts rightly, it is to his own good. Whoever does evil, it is to his detriment. Your Lord does not wrong His servants. (41:46)

Whoever acts rightly, it is to his own good. Whoever does evil, it is to his detriment. Then you will be returned to your Lord. (45:15)

(Believers are) those who avoid major wrong actions and indecencies and who, when they are angered, then forgive. (42:37)

The repayment of a bad action is one equivalent to it. But if someone pardons and puts things right, his reward is with Allah. Certainly He does not love wrongdoers. But if people do defend themselves when they are wronged, nothing can be held against them for doing that. There are only grounds against those who wrong people and act as tyrants in the earth without any right to do so. Such people will have a painful punishment. (42:40-42)

Any good thing that happens to you comes from Allah. Any bad thing that happens to you comes from yourself. We have sent you to mankind as a Messenger. Allah suffices as a Witness. (4:79)

Those who join forces for good will receive a reward for it. Those who join forces for evil will be answerable for it. Allah oversees all things. (4:85) You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

But as for those who have earned bad actions—a bad action will be repaid with one the like of it. Debasement will darken them. They will have no one to protect them from Allah. It is as if their faces were covered by dark patches of the night. Those are the Companions of the Fire, remaining

in it timelessly, for ever. (10:27)

Whoever does an atom's weight of evil will see it. (99:8)

Those who produce a good action will receive ten like it. But those who produce a bad action will only be repaid with its equivalent and they will not be wronged. (6:160)

Or do those who do bad actions imagine they can outstrip Us? How bad their judgement is! (29:4)

### **EVIL CONSEQUENCE**

You who believe! Do not kill game while you are in the state of pilgrimage. If one of you kills any deliberately, the reprisal for it is a livestock animal equivalent to what he killed, as judged by two just men among you, a sacrifice to reach the Kaaba, or expiation by feeding the poor, or fasting commensurate with that, so that he may taste the evil consequences of what he did. Allah has pardoned all that took place in the past; but if anyone does it again Allah will take revenge on him. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (5:95)

Has the news not reached you of those who disbelieved before and tasted the evil consequences of what they did? They will have a painful punishment. (64:5)

### **EVIL OMEN**

They (his people) said (to Salih), 'We see you, and those with you, as an evil omen.' He said, 'No, your evil omen is with Allah; you are merely a people undergoing a trial.' (27:47)

They (the inhabitants of the city) said, 'We see an evil omen in you. If you do not stop we will stone you and you will suffer a painful punishment at our hands.' (36:18)

They (messengers) said, 'Your evil omen is in yourselves. Is it not just that you have been reminded? No, you are an unbridled people!' (36:19)

### **EVILDOING - EVILDOERS**

Do not argue on behalf of those who betray themselves. Allah does not love any evildoing traitors. (4:107)

If anyone commits an evil action the responsibility for it is his alone. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:111)

Why do their scholars and rabbis not prohibit them from evil speech and acquiring ill-gotten gains? What an evil thing they invent! (5:63)

In that way We make the Signs plain so that you may clearly see the path of the evildoers. (6:55)

If they call you a liar, say: 'Your Lord possesses boundless mercy, but His violent force cannot be averted from the people of the evildoers.' (6:147)

As for those who deny Our Signs and are arrogant regarding them, the Gates of Heaven will not be opened for them, and they will not enter the Garden until a camel goes through a needle's eye. That is how We repay the evildoers. (7:40)

We rained down a rain upon them. See the final fate of the evildoers! (7:84)

So We sent down on them floods, locusts, lice, frogs and blood, Signs, clear and distinct, but they proved arrogant and were an evildoing people. (7:133)

This was so that He might verify the Truth and nullify the false, even though the evildoers hate that. (8:8)

(Say,) 'Do not try to excuse yourselves. You have disbelieved after believing. If one group of you is pardoned, another group will be punished for being evildoers.' (9:66)

We destroyed generations before you when they did wrong. Their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs, but they were never going to believe. That is how We repay evildoers. (10:13)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs? Evildoers are certainly not successful. (10:17)

Say: 'What do you think? If His punishment came upon you by night or day, what part of it would the evildoers then try to hasten?' (10:50)

Then after them We sent Musa and Harun with Our Signs to Pharaoh and his ruling circle, but they were arrogant and were a people of evildoers. (10:75)

Allah confirms the Truth by His words, even though the evildoers hate it. (10:82)

(Hud said,) 'My people! Ask forgiveness of your Lord and then repent to Him. He will send

heaven down to you in abundant rain, and increase you with strength upon strength. Do not turn away as evildoers.' (11:52)

Would that there had been more people with a vestige of good among the generations of those who came before you, who forbade corruption in the earth, other than the few among them whom We saved. Those who did wrong gladly pursued the life of luxury that they were given and were evildoers. (11:116)

Then when the Messengers despaired and thought themselves denied, Our help came to them, and those We willed were saved. Our violent force cannot be averted from people who are evildoers. (12:110)

That Day you will see the evildoers yoked together in chains, (14:49)

In that way We insert it (mockery) into the evildoers' hearts. (15:12)

They (messengers) said, 'We have been sent to a people who are evildoers.' (15:58)

As for those the angels take in death while they are wronging themselves, they will offer their submission: 'We did not do any evil.' Oh yes you did! Allah knows what you were doing. (16:28)

The Book will be set in place and you will see the evildoers fearful of what is in it. They will say, 'Alas for us! What is this Book which does not pass over any action, small or great, without recording it?' They will find there everything they did and your Lord will not wrong anyone at all. (18:49)

The evildoers will see the Fire and realise they are going to fall into it and find no way of escaping from it. (18:53)

But We will drive the evildoers to Hell, like cattle to a watering hole. (19:86)

As for those who come to their Lord as evildoers, they will have Hell where they will neither die nor stay alive. (20:74)

On the Day the Trumpet is blown—and We will gather the evildoers sightless on that Day. (20:102)

There is a group of you who propagated the lie. Do not suppose it to be bad for you; rather it is good for you. Every one of them will incur the evil he has earned and the one who took it on

himself to amplify it will receive a terrible punishment. (24:11)

On the Day they see the angels, there will be no good news that Day for the evildoers. They will say, 'There is an absolute ban.' (25:22)

In this way We have assigned to every Prophet an enemy from among the evildoers. But your Lord is a sufficient guide and helper. (25:31)

(They will say,) 'It was only the evildoers who misguided us.' (26:99)

That is how We thread it into the hearts of the evildoers. (26:200)

Say: 'Travel about the earth and see the final fate of the evildoers.' (27:69)

He (Musa) said, 'My Lord, because of Your blessing to me, I will never be a supporter of evildoers.' (28:17)

He (Qarun) said, 'I have only been given it because of knowledge I have.' Did he not know that before him Allah had destroyed generations with far greater strength than his and far more possessions? The evildoers will not be questioned about their sins. (28:78)

On the Day the Hour arrives the evildoers will be in despair. (30:12)

Before you We sent other Messengers to their people, and they too brought them the Clear Signs. We took revenge on those who did evil; and it is Our duty to help the believers. (30:47)

On the Day the Last Hour arrives, the evildoers will swear they have not even tarried for an hour. That is the extent to which they are deceived. (30:55)

If only you could see the evildoers hanging their heads in shame before their Lord: 'Our Lord, we have seen and we have heard, so send us back again and we will act rightly. Truly we now have certainty.' (32:12)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who is reminded of the Signs of his Lord and then turns away from them? We will take revenge on the evildoers. (32:22)

Say: 'You will not be asked about any evil we committed and we will not be asked about what you did.' (34:25)

Those deemed great will say to those deemed weak, 'Did we debar you from the guidance

when it came to you? No, it is you who were evildoers.' (34:32)

'Keep yourselves apart today, you evildoers!' (36:59)

That is how We deal with evildoers. (37:34)

The evildoers will remain timelessly, for ever, in the punishment of Hell. (43:74)

He (Musa) called out to his Lord, 'These are evil-doing people.' (44:22)

Are they better or the people of Tubba' and those before them whom We destroyed? They were certainly evildoers. (44:37)

But as for those who disbelieved: 'Were My Signs not recited to you and yet you proved arrogant; you were a people of evildoers?' (45:31)

... a wind containing painful punishment, destroying everything at its Lord's command! When morning came you could see nothing but their dwellings. That is how We repay the people of the evildoers. (46:24-25)

They said, 'We have been sent to a people of evildoers,' (51:32)

The evildoers are indeed misguided and insane. (54:47)

The evildoers will be recognised by their mark and seized by their forelocks and their feet. (55:41)

This is Hell which the evildoers deny. (55:43)

Would We make the Muslims the same as the evildoers? (68:35)

(On the Day) no good friend will ask about his friend even though they can see each other. An evildoer will wish he could ransom himself from the punishment of that Day, by means of his sons, or his wife or his brother or his family who sheltered him or everyone else on earth, if that only meant that he could save himself. (70:10-14)

In Gardens they (believers) will ask the evildoers: 'What caused you to enter Saqr?' (74:40-42)

Therefore wait patiently for the judgement of your Lord. Do not obey any evildoer or thankless man among them. (76:24)

That is how We deal with evildoers. (77:18)

'Eat and enjoy yourselves for a little while. You are evildoers.' (77:46)

Those who did evil used to laugh at those who believed. (83:29)

## EXCESS

He has only forbidden you carrion, blood and pork and what has been consecrated to other than Allah. But anyone who is forced to eat it-without desiring it or going to excess in it-commits no crime. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:173)

All they said was, 'Our Lord, forgive us our wrong actions and any excesses we went to in what we did and make our feet firm and help us against these disbelieving people.' (3:147)

People of the Book! Do not go to excess in your religion. Say nothing but the truth about Allah. The Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, was only the Messenger of Allah and His Word, which He cast into Maryam, and a Spirit from Him. So believe in Allah and His Messengers. Do not say, 'Three.' It is better that you stop. Allah is only One God. He is too Glorious to have a son! Everything in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Him. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:171)

Say: 'I do not find, in what has been revealed to me, any food it is forbidden to eat except for carrion, flowing blood, and pork—for that is unclean—or some deviance consecrated to other than Allah. But if anyone is forced to eat it, without desiring to or going to excess in it, your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (6:145)

They allot to Allah what they themselves dislike and their tongues frame the lie that they will receive the Best. There is no doubt at all that they will receive the Fire and that they are people who go to excess. (16:62)

He has forbidden you carrion, blood and pork and anything consecrated to other than Allah. But if someone is forced to eat it, without desiring to or going to excess in it, your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (16:115)

Do not kill any person Allah has made inviolate, except with the right to do so. If someone is wrongly killed We have given authority to his next of kin. But he should not be excessive in taking life. He will be helped. (17:33)

Eat of the good things We have provided for you but do not go to excess in it or My anger will be unleashed on you. Anyone who has My anger unleashed on him has plunged to his ruin. (20:81)

## **EXCESSIVENESS**

But Allah is mocking them, and drawing them on, as they wander blindly in their excessive insolence. (2:15)

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People of the Book! Do not go to excess in your religion. Say nothing but the truth about Allah. The Messiah, ‘Isa son of Maryam, was only the Messenger of Allah and His Word, which He cast into Maryam, and a Spirit from Him. So believe in Allah and His Messengers. Do not say, ‘Three.’ It is better that you stop. Allah is only One God. He is too Glorious to have a son! Everything in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Him. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:171)

If Allah were to hasten evil for people the way they try to hasten good, their term would already have been completed for them. We abandon those who do not expect to meet Us to wander blindly in their excessive insolence. (10:11)

If We did have mercy on them and removed the harm afflicting them, they would still obstinately persist in wandering blindly in their excessive insolence. (23:75)

## **EXPEDITION TO TABUK**

You who believe! What is the matter with you that when you are told, ‘Go out and fight in the way of Allah,’ you sink down heavily to the earth? Are you happier with this world than the hereafter? Yet the enjoyment of this world is very small compared to that of the hereafter. (9:38)

If you do not go out to fight, He will punish you with a painful punishment and substitute another people in your place. You will not harm Him in any way. Allah has power over all things. (9:39)

Those who were left behind were glad to stay behind the Messenger of Allah. They did not want to strive with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah. They said, ‘Do not go out to fight in the heat.’ Say: ‘The Fire of Hell is much hotter, if they only understood.’ (9:81)

If Allah returns you to a group of them, and they ask you for permission to go out, say, ‘You will never go out with me, nor will you ever fight an enemy with me. You were happy to stay behind the first time, so stay behind with those who are left behind.’ (9:83)

The desert arabs came with their excuses asking for permission to stay, and those who lied to Allah and His Messenger stayed behind. A painful punishment will afflict those among them who disbelieve. (9:90)

Nothing is held against the weak and sick nor against those who find nothing to spend, provided they are true to Allah and His Messenger—there is no way open against good-doers, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful—nor is anything held against those who, when they came to you for you to provide them with mounts and you said, ‘I cannot find anything on which to mount you,’ turned away with their eyes overflowing with tears, overcome by grief at having nothing to give. (9:91-92) There are only grounds against those who ask you for permission to stay when they are rich. They were pleased to be among those who were left behind. Allah has sealed up their hearts so they do not know. (9:93)

But others have acknowledged their wrong actions and mixed a right action with another which is wrong. It may well be that Allah will turn towards them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:102)

Allah has turned towards the Prophet, and the Migrants (Muhajirun) and the Supporters (Ansar), those who followed him at the ‘time of difficulty’, after the hearts of a group of them had almost deviated. Then He turned towards them—He is All-Gentle, Most Merciful to them—and also towards the three who were left behind, so that when the earth became narrow for them, for all its great breadth, and their own selves became constricted for them and they realised that there was no refuge from Allah except in Him, He turned to them so that they might turn to Him. Allah is the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful. (9:117-118)

## **EXPELLING**

When those who disbelieve were plotting against

you to imprison you or kill you or expel you: they were plotting and Allah was plotting, but Allah is the Best of Plotters. (8:30)

Those who were expelled from their homes without any right, merely for saying, 'Our Lord is Allah' (if Allah had not driven some people back by means of others, monasteries, churches, synagogues and mosques, where Allah's name is mentioned much, would have been pulled down and destroyed. Allah will certainly help those who help Him—Allah is All-Strong, Almighty), (22:40)

It is He Who expelled those who disbelieved among the People of the Book from their homes to the first gathering-place. You did not think that they would leave and they thought that their fortresses would protect them from Allah. Then Allah came upon them from where they least expected it and cast terror into their hearts. Their houses were pulled down by their own hands and by the hands of the believers. People of insight, take note! (59:2)

## **EXPIATION**

We prescribed for them in it: a life for a life, an eye for an eye, a nose for a nose, an ear for an ear, a tooth for a tooth, and retaliation for wounds. But if anyone forgoes that as a charity, it will act as expiation for him. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are wrongdoers. (5:45)

Allah does not take you to task for your inadvertent oaths, but He will take you to task for oaths you make intentionally. The expiation in that case is to feed ten poor people with the average amount you feed your family, or clothe them, or free a slave. Anyone without the means to do so should fast three days. That is the expiation for breaking oaths when you have sworn them. Keep your oaths. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:89)

You who believe! Do not kill game while you are in the state of pilgrimage. If one of you kills any deliberately, the reprisal for it is a livestock animal equivalent to what he killed, as judged by two just men among you, a sacrifice to reach the

Kaaba, or expiation by feeding the poor, or fasting commensurate with that, so that he may taste the evil consequences of what he did. Allah has pardoned all that took place in the past; but if anyone does it again Allah will take revenge on him. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (5:95)

## **EXPIATION FOR BREAKING OATHS**

Allah does not take you to task for your inadvertent oaths, but He will take you to task for oaths you make intentionally. The expiation in that case is to feed ten poor people with the average amount you feed your family, or clothe them, or free a slave. Anyone without the means to do so should fast three days. That is the expiation for breaking oaths when you have sworn them. Keep your oaths. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:89)

## **EXTRAVAGANCE**

Keep a close check on orphans until they reach a marriageable age, then if you perceive that they have sound judgement hand over their property to them. Do not consume it extravagantly and precipitately before they come of age. Those who are wealthy should abstain from it altogether. Those who are poor should use it sensibly and correctly. When you hand over their property to them ensure that there are witnesses on their behalf. Allah suffices as a Reckoner. (4:6) Give your relatives their due, and the very poor and travellers but do not squander what you have. Squanderers are brothers to the Satans, and Satan was ungrateful to his Lord. (17:26-27) (Believers are) those who, when they spend, are neither extravagant nor mean, but take a stance mid way between the two; (25:67)

## **EXULTATION**

Those who exult in what they have done and love to be praised for what they have not done should not suppose that they have escaped the punishment. They will have a painful punishment. (3:188)

When they forgot what they had been reminded

of, We opened up for them the doors to everything, until, when they were exulting in what they had been given, We suddenly seized them and at once they were in despair. (6:44)

The people of the city came, exulting at the news. (15:67)

But they disagreed and split up, dividing into sects, each party exulting in what it had. (23:53) (Idolaters are) those who split up their religion, and form into sects, each faction exulting in what they have. (30:32)

(The deniers will be told,) 'That is because you exulted on the earth, without any right to do so; and strutted about.' (40:75)

When their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs, they exulted in the knowledge they had and then were engulfed by the very things they mocked. (40:83)

But if they turn away, We have not sent you to be their guardian. You are only responsible for transmission. When We let a man taste mercy from Us he exults in it. But if something bad strikes him for what he has done he is ungrateful. (42:48)

That is so that you will not be grieved about the things that pass you by or exult about the things that come to you. Allah does not love any vain or boastful man. (57:23)

## EYE

Allah has sealed up their hearts and hearing and over their eyes is a blindfold. They will have a terrible punishment. (2:7)

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not believe in you until we see Allah with our own eyes.' So the thunder-bolt struck you dead while you were looking. (2:55)

You who believe! Give away some of the good things you have earned and some of what the earth produces for you. Do not have recourse to bad things when you give, things you would only take with your eyes tight shut! Know that Allah is Rich Beyond Need, Praiseworthy. (2:267)

There was a sign for you in the two parties which met face to face, one party fighting in the Way of Allah and the other disbelievers. You saw them as twice their number with your own eyes. Allah reinforces with His help whoever He wills. There

is instruction in that for people of insight. (3:13) You were longing for death before you met it. Now you have seen it with your own eyes. (3:143)

The People of the Book will ask you to bring down a Book from heaven to them. They asked Musa for even more than that. They said, 'Let us see Allah with our own eyes.' So the lightning-bolt struck them down for their wrongdoing. Then they adopted the Calf after the Clear Signs had come to them, but We pardoned them for that and gave Musa clear authority. (4:153)

We prescribed for them in it: a life for a life, an eye for an eye, a nose for a nose, an ear for an ear, a tooth for a tooth, and retaliation for wounds. But if anyone forgoes that as a charity, it will act as expiation for him. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are wrongdoers. (5:45)

When they listen to what has been sent down to the Messenger, you see their eyes overflowing with tears because of what they recognise of the truth. They say, 'Our Lord, we believe! So write us down among the witnesses.' (5:83)

Eyesight cannot perceive Him but He perceives eyesight. He is the All-Penetrating, the All-Aware. (6:103)

Even if We sent down angels to them, and the dead spoke to them, and We gathered together everything in front of them right before their eyes, they would still not believe unless Allah willed. The truth is that most of them are ignorant. (6:111)

As for those who deny Our Signs and are arrogant regarding them, the Gates of Heaven will not be opened for them, and they will not enter the Garden until a camel goes through a needle's eye. That is how We repay the evildoers. (7:40)

When they turn their eyes towards the Companions of the Fire, they will say, 'Our Lord, do not place us with the people of the wrongdoers!' (7:47)

He (Musa) said (to the magicians), 'You throw.' And when they threw, they cast a spell on the people's eyes and caused them to feel great fear of them. They produced an extremely powerful magic. (7:116)

We created many of the jinn and mankind for Hell. They have hearts they do not understand with. They have eyes they do not see with. They have ears they do not hear with. Such people are like cattle. No, they are even further astray! They are the unaware. (7:179)

Do they have legs they can walk with? Do they have hands they can grasp with? Do they have eyes they can see with? Do they have ears they can hear with? Say: 'Call on your partner-gods and try all your wiles against me and grant me no reprieve.' (7:195)

Remember when Allah made you see them as few when you met them, and also made you seem few in their eyes. This was so that Allah could settle a matter whose result was preordained. All matters return to Allah. (8:44)

Nor is anything held against those who, when they came to you for you to provide them with mounts and you said, 'I cannot find anything on which to mount you,' turned away with their eyes overflowing with tears, overcome by grief at having nothing to give. (9:92)

(Nuh said to his people,) 'I do not say to you that I possess the treasures of Allah; nor do I know the Unseen; nor do I say that I am an angel; nor do I say to those who are vile in your eyes that Allah will not give them any good. Allah knows best what is in their hearts. If I did, I would certainly be one of the wrongdoers.' (11:31)

He (Ya'qub) turned himself away from them and said, 'What anguish is my sorrow for Yusuf!' And then his eyes turned white from hidden grief. (12:84)

Do not consider Allah to be unaware of what the wrongdoers perpetrate. He is merely deferring them to a Day on which their sight will be transfixed, rushing headlong-heads back, eyes vacant, hearts hollow. (14:42-43)

Even if We opened up to them a door into heaven, and they spent the day ascending through it, they would only say, 'Our eyesight is befuddled! Or rather we have been put under a spell!' (15:14-15)

Do not direct your eyes longingly to what We have given certain of them to enjoy. Do not feel sad concerning them. And take the believers

under your wing. (15:88)

The Unseen of the heavens and earth belongs to Allah. The matter of the Hour is only the blink of an eye away, or even nearer. Allah has power over all things. (16:77)

Restrain yourself patiently with those who call on their Lord morning and evening, desiring His face. Do not turn your eyes from them, desiring the attractions of this world. And do not obey someone whose heart We have made neglectful of Our remembrance and who follows his own When guidance came to the people nothing prevented them from believing and asking for forgiveness from their Lord but the fact that the pattern of previous peoples did not happen to them or that the punishment did not appear before their eyes. (18:55)

That Day We will display Hell in its totality to the disbelievers, those whose eyes were blind to My remembrance and whose ears were unable to hear. (18:100-101)

(A voice called out to Maryam,) 'Eat and drink and delight your eyes. If you should see anyone at all, just say, "I have made a vow of abstinence to the All-Merciful and today I will not speak to any human being.'" (19:26)

(Allah said to Musa,) 'When your sister went and said, "Shall I direct you to someone who will take care of him?" that was how We returned you to your mother so that she might delight her eyes and not be grieved. You killed a man and We rescued you from trouble and tested you with many trials. You stayed some years among the people of Madyan. Then you arrived at the pre-ordained time, Musa!' (20:40)

Do not direct your eyes longingly to what We have given certain of them to enjoy, the flower of the life of this world, so that We can test them by it. Your Lord's provision is better and longer lasting. (20:131)

Their hearts are distracted. Those who do wrong confer together secretly, saying, 'Is this man anything but a human being like yourselves? Do you succumb to magic with your eyes wide open?' (21:3)

They said, 'Bring him before the people's eyes so they can be witnesses.' (21:61)

And (when) the True Promise is very close, the eyes of those who disbelieved will be transfixed: 'Alas for us! We were unmindful of this! No, rather we were definitely wrongdoers.' (21:97)  
Have they not travelled about the earth and do they not have hearts to understand with or ears to hear with? It is not their eyes which are blind but the hearts in their breasts which are blind. (22:46)

Say to the believers that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity. That is purer for them. Allah is aware of what they do. (24:30)

Say to the believing women that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity and not display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands' fathers, or their sons or their husbands' sons or their brothers or their brothers' sons or their sisters' sons or their women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children who still have no awareness of women's private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

... there are men who proclaim His glory morning and evening, not distracted by trade or commerce from the remembrance of Allah and the performance of prayer and the giving of the alms; fearing a day when all hearts and eyes will be in turmoil. (24:36-37)

And when Lut he said to his people: 'Do you approach depravity with open eyes? (27:54)  
She said to his sister, 'Go after him.' And she kept an eye on him from afar and they were not aware. (28:11)

That is how We returned him to his mother so that she might delight her eyes and feel no grief and so that she would know that Allah's promise is true. But most of them do not know this. (28:13)

When they came at you from above you and below you, when your eyes rolled and your hearts rose to your throats, and you thought un-

worthy thoughts about Allah. (33:10)  
Allah knows the obstructors among you and those who say to their brothers, 'Come to us,' and who only come to fight a very little, and are begrudging towards you. Then when fear comes, you see them looking at you, their eyes rolling like people scared to death. But when fear departs they flay you with sharp tongues, grasping for wealth. Such people have no faith and Allah will make their actions come to nothing. That is easy for Allah. (33:18-19)

If We wished, We could put out their eyes. Then, though they might race for the path, how would they see? (36:66)

There will be but one Great Blast and then their eyes will open. (37:19)

There will be dark-eyed maidens with them, with eyes reserved for them alone. (37:48)

They (the profligate) will say, 'How is it that we do not see some men whom we used to count among the worst of people? Did we turn them into figures of fun? Did our eyes disdain to look at them?' (38:62-63)

He knows the eyes' deceit and what people's breasts conceal. (40:19)

If someone shuts his eyes to the remembrance of the All-Merciful, We assign him a Satan who becomes his bosom friend. (43:36)

Platters and cups of gold will be passed around among them and they will have there all that their hearts desire and their eyes find delight in. You will remain in it timelessly, for ever. (43:71)

Have you seen him who takes his whims and desires to be his god—whom Allah has misguided knowingly, sealing up his hearing and his heart and placing a blindfold over his eyes? Who then will guide him after Allah? So will you not pay heed? (45:23)

Such are the people Allah has cursed, making them deaf and blinding their eyes. (47:23)

So wait steadfastly for the judgement of your Lord—you are certainly before Our eyes. And glorify and praise your Lord when you get up. (52:48)

His eye did not waver nor did he look away. (53:17)

They will emerge from their graves with down-

cast eyes, like swarming locusts, necks out-stretched, eyes transfixed, rushing headlong to the Summoner. The disbelievers will say, 'This is a pitiless day!' (54:7-8)

They even wanted to seduce his guests! So We put out their eyes: 'Taste My punishment and warnings!' (54:37)

Our command is only one word, like the blinking of an eye. (54:50)

Their eyes will be downcast, darkened by debasement; for they were called on to prostrate when they were in full possession of their faculties. (68:43)

The Day they will emerge swiftly from their graves as if rushing to rally to the flag, eyes downcast, darkened by debasement, that will be the Day which they were promised. (70:43-44)

But when the eyesight is dazzled, (75:7)

And (on that Day) eyes will be cast down. (79:9)

Have We not given him two eyes? (90:8)

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## FACTION

Pharaoh exalted himself arrogantly in the land and divided its people into camps, oppressing one group of them by slaughtering their sons and letting their women live. He was one of the corrupters. (28:4)

(Idolaters are) those who split up their religion, and form into sects, each faction exulting in what they have. (30:32)

Even a whole army of Confederates will be routed there! (38:11)

And Thamud and the people of Lut and the Companions of the Thicket. Those too were Confederates. (38:13)

The people of Nuh denied the truth before them, and the Confederates after them. Every nation planned to seize its Messenger and used false arguments to rebut the truth. So I seized them, and how was My retribution! (40:5)

The man who believed said, 'My people! I fear for you a day like that of the Confederates. (40:30)

The various factions among them differed. Woe then to those who did wrong on account of the punishment of a painful Day! (43:65)

Satan has gained mastery over them and made them forget the remembrance of Allah. Such people are the party of Satan. No indeed! It is the party of Satan who are the losers. (58:19)

You will not find people who believe in Allah and the Last Day having love for anyone who opposes Allah and His Messenger, though they be their fathers, their sons, their brothers or their clan. Allah has inscribed faith upon such people's hearts and will reinforce them with a Spirit from Him and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. Such people are the party of Allah. Truly it is the party of Allah who are successful. (58:22)

We have no idea whether evil is intended for those on the earth, or whether their Lord intends them to be rightly guided. (72:11)

Those who were given the Book did not divide

into sects until after the Clear Sign came to them. (98:4)

## FAINTING

Those who believe say, 'If only a sura could be sent down.' But when a straightforward sura is sent down and fighting is mentioned in it, you see those with sickness in their hearts looking at you with the look of someone about to faint from fear of death. More fitting for them would be obedience and honourable words. Once the matter is resolved upon, being true to Allah would be better for them. (47:20-21)

## FAITHFUL

He (Hud) said, 'My people, I am by no means a fool, but rather am a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds, transmitting my Lord's Message to you, and I am a faithful counsellor to you.' (7:67-68)

(Nuh said,) 'I am a faithful Messenger to you.' (26:107)

(Hud said,) 'I am a faithful Messenger to you.' (26:125)

(Salih said,) 'I am a faithful Messenger to you.' (26:143)

(Lut said,) 'I am a faithful Messenger to you.' (26:162)

(Shu'ayb said,) 'I am a faithful Messenger to you.' (26:178)

The Faithful Spirit brought it (the Qur'an) down to your heart so you would be one of the Warners in a clear Arabic tongue. (26:193-195)

## FALSE GODS

There is no compulsion where the religion is concerned. Right guidance has become clearly distinct from error. Anyone who rejects false gods and believes in Allah has grasped the Firmest Handhold, which will never give way. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (2:256)

Allah is the Protector of those who believe. He brings them out of the darkness into the light. But those who disbelieve have false gods as protectors. They take them from the light into the darkness. Those are the Companions of the Fire remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:257)

Do you not see those who were given a portion of the Book believing in idols and false gods and saying of those who disbelieve, 'These people are better guided on their path than the believers?' (4:51)

Those who believe fight in the Way of Allah. Those who disbelieve fight in the way of false gods. So fight the friends of Satan! Satan's scheming is always feeble. (4:76)

Say: 'Shall I tell you of a reward with Allah far worse than that: that of those whom Allah has cursed and with whom He is angry—turning some of them into monkeys and into pigs—and who worshipped false gods? Such people are in a worse situation and further from the right way.' (5:60)

We sent a Messenger among every people saying: 'Worship Allah and keep clear of all false gods.' Among them were some whom Allah guided but others received the misguidance they deserved. Travel about the earth and see the final fate of the deniers. (16:36)

Those who shun the worship of false gods and turn towards Allah will have good news. So give good news to My servants. (39:17)

### **FALSE HOPES**

They say, 'No one will enter the Garden except for Jews and Christians.' Such is their vain hope. Say, 'Produce your evidence if you are telling the truth.' (2:111)

(Satan said,) 'I will lead them astray and fill them with false hopes. I will command them and they will cut off cattle's ears. I will command them and they will change Allah's creation.' Anyone who takes Satan as his protector in place of Allah has clearly lost everything. (4:119)

He makes promises to them and fills them with false hopes. But what Satan promises them is nothing but delusion. (4:120)

Leave them to eat and enjoy themselves. Let false hope divert them. They will soon know. (15:3)

Those who have turned back in their tracks after the guidance became clear to them, it was Satan who talked them into it and filled them with false hopes. (47:25)

They will call out to them, 'Were we not with

you?' They will reply, 'Indeed you were. But you made trouble for yourselves and hung back and doubted and false hopes deluded you until Allah's command arrived. The Deluder deluded you about Allah.' (57:14)

### **FALSE PROPHETS**

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs, or who says, 'It has been revealed to me,' when nothing has been revealed to him, or someone who says, 'I will send down the same as Allah has sent down'? If you could only see the wrong-doers in the throes of death when the angels are stretching out their hands, saying, 'Disgorge your own selves! Today you will be repaid with the punishment of humiliation for saying something other than the truth about Allah, and being arrogant about His Signs.' (6:93)

### **FALSEHOOD**

Do not mix up truth with falsehood and knowingly hide the truth. (2:42)

People of the Book! Why do you mix truth with falsehood and knowingly conceal the truth? (3:71)

They say, 'These animals and crops are sacrosanct. No one may eat them except those we wish',—as they allege—and animals on whose backs it is forbidden to ride, and animals over which they do not mention Allah's name, inventing falsehood against Him. He will repay them for the things they have invented. (6:138)

As for those who adopted the Calf, anger from their Lord will overtake them together with abasement in the life of this world. That is how we repay the purveyors of falsehood. (7:152)

Or lest you say, 'Our forefathers associated others with Allah before our time, and we are merely descendants coming after them. So are You going to destroy us for what those purveyors of falsehood did?' (7:173)

This was so that He might verify the Truth and nullify the false, even though the evildoers hate that. (8:8)

He sends down water from the sky and river-beds fill up and flow according to their size, and the

floodwater carries with it an increasing layer of scum; a similar kind of scum comes from what you heat up in the fire, when you desire to make jewellery or other things. That is how Allah depicts the true and the false. As for the scum, it is quickly swept away. But as for that which is of use to people, it remains behind in the ground. That is a metaphor which Allah has made. (13:17)

Allah has given you wives from among yourselves, and given you children and grandchildren from your wives, and provided good things for you. So why do they believe in falsehood and reject the blessings of Allah, and worship, instead of Allah, things that have no control over their provision from the heavens or earth in any way, and are themselves completely impotent? (16:72-73)

Say: 'Truth has come and falsehood has vanished. Falsehood is always bound to vanish.' (17:81)

We only send the Messengers to bring good news and to give warning. Those who disbelieve use fallacious arguments to deny the truth. They make a mockery of My Signs and also of the warning they were given. (18:56)

Rather We hurl the truth against falsehood and it cuts right through it and it vanishes clean away! Woe without end for you for what you portray! (21:18)

That is because Allah is the Real and what you call on apart from Him is false. Allah is the All-High, the Most Great. (22:62)

Those who disbelieve say, 'This is nothing but a lie he has invented and other people have helped him to do it. They have brought injustice and falsehood.' (25:4)

You never recited any Book before it nor did you write one down with your right hand. If you had, the purveyors of falsehood would have voiced their doubts. (29:48)

Say: 'Allah is a sufficient witness between me and you.' He knows everything in the heavens and the earth. Those who believe in falsehood and reject Allah, they are the losers. (29:52)

Do they not see that We have established a safe haven while people all round them are violently

dispossessed? So why do they believe in falsehood and reject the blessing of Allah? (29:67) We have made all kinds of examples for people in this Qur'an. If you bring them a Sign those who disbelieve will say, 'You are just purveyors of falsehood!' (30:58)

That is because Allah—He is the Truth, and what you call upon besides Him is falsehood. Allah is the All-High, the Most Great. (31:30)

Say: 'The Truth has come. Falsehood cannot originate or regenerate.' (34:49)

Is it falsehood—gods besides Allah—that you desire? (37:86)

The people of Nuh denied the truth before them, and the Confederates after them. Every nation planned to seize its Messenger and used false arguments to rebut the truth. So I seized them, and how was My retribution! (40:5)

Falsehood cannot reach it (the Qur'an) from before it or behind it—it is a revelation from One Who is All-Wise, Praiseworthy. (41:42)

Or do they ask, 'Has he invented a lie about Allah?' If Allah willed, He could seal up your heart. By His Words Allah wipes out the false and confirms the truth. He knows what the heart contains. (42:24)

Those who disbelieve say of those who believe, 'If there was any good in it, they would not have beaten us to it.' And since they have not been guided by it, they are bound to say, 'This is an antiquated falsehood.' (46:11)

That is because those who disbelieve follow falsehood whereas those who believe follow the truth from their Lord. In that way Allah makes comparisons for mankind. (47:3)

Do you not see those who have turned to people with whom Allah is angry? They belong neither to you nor to them. And they swear to falsehood and do so knowingly. (58:14)

## FAMILY

Perform the pilgrimage and the pious visit for Allah. If you are forcibly prevented, make whatever sacrifice is feasible. But do not shave your heads until the sacrificial animal has reached the place of sacrifice. If any of you are ill or have a head injury, the expiation is fasting or charity or

sacrifice when you are safe and well again. And if you are secure, then he who takes advantage of a pious visit before the pilgrimage should make whatever sacrifice is feasible. For any one who cannot, there is three days' fast on pilgrimage and seven on your return—that is ten in all. That is for anyone whose family does not live near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Have fear of Allah and know that Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:196)

Their Prophet said to them, 'The sign of his kingship is that the Ark will come to you, containing serenity from your Lord and certain relics left by the families of Musa and Harun. It will be borne by angels. There is a sign for you in that if you are believers.' (2:248)

Allah chose Adam and Nuh and the family of Ibrahim and the family of 'Imran over all other beings. (3:33)

Remember when you left your family early in the day to instal the believers in their battle stations. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (3:121)

Or do they in fact envy other people for the bounty Allah has granted them? We gave the family of Ibrahim the Book and Wisdom, and We gave them an immense kingdom. (4:54)

A believer should never kill another believer unless it is by mistake. Anyone who kills a believer by mistake should free a believing slave and pay blood-money to his family unless they forgo it as a charity. If he is from a people who are your enemies and is a believer, you should free a believing slave. If he is from a people you have a treaty with, blood money should be paid to his family and you should free a believing slave. Anyone who cannot find the means should fast two consecutive months. This is a concession from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:92)

Allah does not take you to task for your inadvertent oaths, but He will take you to task for oaths you make intentionally. The expiation in that case is to feed ten poor people with the average amount you feed your family, or clothe them, or free a slave. Anyone without the means to do so should fast three days. That is the expiation for breaking oaths when you have sworn them. Keep your oaths. In this way Allah makes His Signs

clear to you, so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:89)

So We rescued him and his family—except for his wife. She was one of those who stayed behind. (7:83)

So when Our command came, and water bubbled up from the earth, We said, 'Load into it a pair of every species, and your family—except for those against whom the Word was preordained—and all who believe.' But those who believed with him were only few. (11:40)

Nuh called out to his Lord and said, 'My Lord, my son is one of my family and Your promise is surely the truth and You are the Justest of Judges.' (11:45)

He said, 'Nuh, he is definitely not of your family. He is someone whose action was not righteous. Do not, therefore, ask Me for something about which you have no knowledge. I admonish you lest you should be among the ignorant.' (11:46)

They said, 'Lut, we are messengers from your Lord. They will not be able to get at you. Set out with your family—except for your wife—in the middle of the night and none of you should look back. What strikes them will strike her as well. Their promised appointment is the morning. Is the morning not close at hand?' (11:81)

(Yusuf's father said,) 'Accordingly your Lord will pick you out and teach you the true meaning of events and perfectly fulfil His blessing on you as well as on the family of Ya'qub as He fulfilled it perfectly before upon your forebears, Ibrahim and Ishaq. Most certainly your Lord is Knowing, Wise.' (12:6)

They raced to the door. She tore his (Yusuf's) shirt at the back. They met her husband by the door. She said, 'How should a man whose intention was to harm your family be punished for what he did except with prison or painful punishment?' (12:25)

He (Yusuf) told his serving men, 'Put back their goods into their saddlebags for them to find when they arrive back to their families so that perhaps they will return again.' (12:62)

Then when they opened up their saddlebags and found their merchandise returned to them, they said, 'Our father! What more could we ask! Here

is our merchandise returned to us. We can provide our families with food, and guard our brother and get an extra load. That is an easy measure to obtain.' (12:65)

So when they came into his presence, they said, 'Your Eminence! Hardship has hit us and our families. We bring scant merchandise, but fill the measure for us generously. Allah always rewards a generous giver.' (12:88)

(Yusuf said,) 'Go with this shirt of mine and cast it on my father's face and he will see again. Then come to me with all your families.' (12:93)

They (the Messengers) said, 'We have been sent to a people who are evildoers—with the exception of the family of Lut, all of whom We will save, except for his wife. We have decreed her to be one of those who stay behind.' (15:58-60)

When the Messengers came to the family of Lut, he said, 'You are people we do not know.' (15:61-62)

(The Messengers said,) 'Travel with your family in the dead of night, following behind with them in front of you. None of you must look back. Go where you are ordered to.' (15:65)

(Zakariyya called on his Lord and said,) 'I fear my relatives when I am gone and my wife is barren, so give me an heir from You to be my inheritor and the inheritor of the family of Ya'qub, and make him, my Lord, pleasing to You.' (19:5-6)

When he (Musa) saw a fire and said to his family, 'Wait here. I can make out a fire. Maybe I will bring you a brand from it, or will find guidance there.' (20:10)

(Musa said, 'O Lord,) Assign me a helper from my family,' (20:29)

Instruct your family to perform prayer, and be constant in it. We do not ask you for provision. We provide for you. And the outcome rests on doing your duty. (20:132)

And Nuh, when he called out before and We responded to him and rescued him and his family from the terrible plight. (21:76)

We responded to him (Ayyub) and removed from him the harm which was afflicting him and restored his family to him, and the same again with them, as a mercy direct from Us and a Reminder to all worshippers. (21:84)

We revealed to him (Nuh): 'Build the Ship under Our supervision and as We reveal. When Our command comes and water bubbles up from the earth, load into it a pair of every species, and your family—except for those among them against whom the word has already gone ahead. And do not address Me concerning those who do wrong. They shall be drowned.' (23:27)

Then when the Trumpet is blown, that Day there will be no family ties between them; they will not be able to question one another. (23:101)

(Lut said,) 'My Lord, rescue me and my family from what they are doing.' (26:169)

Therefore We rescued him (Lut) and all his family. (26:170)

When Musa said to his people, 'I can make out a fire. I will bring you news from it or at least a burning brand so that hopefully you will be able to warm yourselves.' (27:7)

There was a group of nine men in the city causing corruption in the land and not putting things right. They said, 'Let us make an oath to one another by Allah that we will fall on him and his family in the night and then say to his protector, "We did not witness the destruction of his family and we are telling the truth." (27:48-49)

The only response of his people was to say: 'Drive the family of Lut out of your city! They are people who keep themselves pure!' (27:56)

So We rescued him (Lut) and his family—except for his wife. We ordained her to be one of those who stayed behind. (27:57)

The family of Pharaoh picked him up so that he might be an enemy and a source of grief to them. Certainly Pharaoh and Haman and their troops were in the wrong. (28:8)

When Musa had fulfilled the appointed term and had set off with his family, he noticed a fire from one side of the Mount. He said to his family, 'Stay here, I can see a fire. Hopefully I will bring you back some news from it or a burning branch from the fire so that you will be able to warm yourselves.' (28:29)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'Lut is in it.' They (the Messengers) said, 'We know very well who is in it. We are going to rescue him and his family—except for his wife. She will be one of those who

stay behind.' (29:32)

When Our Messengers came to Lut, he was distressed on their account, feeling incapable of protecting them. They said, 'Do not fear and do not grieve. We are going to rescue you and your family—except for your wife; she will be one of those who stay behind.' (29:33)

They made for him (Sulayman) anything he wished: high arches and statues, huge dishes like cisterns, great built-in cooking vats. 'Work, family of Dawud, in thankfulness!' But very few of My servants are thankful. (34:13)

They will not be able to make a will or return to their families. (36:50)

We rescued him (Nuh) and his family from the terrible plight. (37:76)

'Peace be upon the family of Ilyas!' (37:130)

When We rescued him (Lut) and all his family—except an old woman among those who stayed behind. (37:134-135)

We gave him (Ayyub) back his family and the same again with them as a mercy from Us and a reminder for people of intellect. (38:43)

Those Arabs who remained behind will say to you, 'Our wealth and families kept us occupied, so ask forgiveness for us.' They say with their tongues what is not in their hearts. Say: 'Who can control Allah for you in any way whether He wants harm for you or wants benefit for you?' Allah is aware of what you do. (48:11)

No, you thought that the Messenger and the believers were not going to return to their families, and that seemed pleasing to your hearts and you thought evil thoughts and you were a blighted people. (48:12)

They (believers) will say, 'Beforehand we used to live in fear among our families.' (52:26)

We unleashed a sudden squall of stones against all of them, except the family of Lut, who We rescued before dawn. (54:34)

(On that Day) no good friend will ask about his friend even though they can see each other. An evildoer will wish he could ransom himself from the punishment of that Day, by means of his sons, or his wife or his brother or his family who sheltered him. (70:10-13)

He neither affirmed the truth nor did he perform

prayer, but rather denied the truth and turned away. And then went off to his family, swaggering. (75:31-33)

As for him who is given his Book in his right hand, he will be given an easy reckoning and return to his family joyfully. (84:7-9)

But as for him who is given his Book behind his back, he will cry out for destruction but will be roasted in a Searing Blaze. He used to be joyful in his family. (84:10-13)

## FASTING

You who believe! Fasting is prescribed for you, as it was prescribed for those before you—so that hopefully you will guard against evil—for a specified number of days. But any of you who are ill or on a journey should fast a number of other days. For those who can (scarcely) afford it, making up for it means feeding a poor man. And if someone does good of his own accord, it is better for him. But that you should fast is better for you, if you only knew. (2:183-184)

On the night of the fast it is lawful for you to have sexual relations with your wives. They are clothing for you and you for them. Allah knows that you have been betraying yourselves and He has turned towards you and excused you. Now you may have sexual intercourse with them and seek what Allah has written for you. Eat and drink until you can clearly discern the white thread from the black thread of the dawn, then fulfil the fast until the night appears. But do not have sexual intercourse with them while you are in retreat in the mosques. These are Allah's limits, so do not go near them. In this way does Allah make His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (2:187)

Perform the pilgrimage and the pious visit for Allah. If you are forcibly prevented, make whatever sacrifice is feasible. But do not shave your heads until the sacrificial animal has reached the place of sacrifice. If any of you are ill or have a head injury, the expiation is fasting or charity or sacrifice when you are safe and well again. And if you are secure, then he who takes advantage of a pious visit before the pilgrimage should make whatever sacrifice is feasible. For any one who

cannot, there is three days' fast on pilgrimage and seven on your return—that is ten in all. That is for anyone whose family does not live near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Have fear of Allah and know that Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:196)

A believer should never kill another believer unless it is by mistake. Anyone who kills a believer by mistake should free a believing slave and pay blood-money to his family unless they forgo it as a charity. If he is from a people who are your enemies and is a believer, you should free a believing slave. If he is from a people you have a treaty with, blood money should be paid to his family and you should free a believing slave. Anyone who cannot find the means should fast two consecutive months. This is a concession from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:92)

Allah does not take you to task for your inadvertent oaths, but He will take you to task for oaths you make intentionally. The expiation in that case is to feed ten poor people with the average amount you feed your family, or clothe them, or free a slave. Anyone without the means to do so should fast three days. That is the expiation for breaking oaths when you have sworn them. Keep your oaths. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:89)

You who believe! Do not kill game while you are in the state of pilgrimage. If one of you kills any deliberately, the reprisal for it is a livestock animal equivalent to what he killed, as judged by two just men among you, a sacrifice to reach the Kaaba, or expiation by feeding the poor, or fasting commensurate with that, so that he may taste the evil consequences of what he did. Allah has pardoned all that took place in the past; but if anyone does it again Allah will take revenge on him. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (5:95)

Men and women who are Muslims, men and women who are believers, men and women who are obedient, men and women who are truthful, men and women who are steadfast, men and women who are humble, men and women who give charity, men and women who fast, men and

women who guard their chastity, men and women who remember Allah much: Allah has prepared forgiveness for them and an immense reward. (33:35)

Anyone who cannot find the means must fast for two consecutive months before the two of them may touch one another again. And anyone who is unable to do that must feed sixty poor people. That is to affirm your faith in Allah and His Messenger. These are Allah's limits. The disbelievers will have a painful punishment. (58:4)

It may be that if he does divorce you, his Lord will give him in exchange better wives than you: Muslim women, believing women, obedient women, penitent women, women who worship, women who fast much—previously married women as well as virgins. (66:5)

## FAT

We made forbidden for the Jews every animal with an undivided hoof, and in respect of cattle and sheep, We made their fat forbidden for them, except what is attached to their backs or guts or mixed up with bone. That is how We repaid them for their insolence. And We certainly speak the truth. (6:146)

## FATIGUE

They will say, 'Praise be to Allah Who has removed all sadness from us. Truly our Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Ever-Thankful: He Who has lodged us, out of His favour, in the Abode of Permanence where no weariness or fatigue affects us.' (35:34-35)

We created the heavens and the earth, and everything between them, in six days and We were not affected by fatigue. (50:38)

## (ALLAH'S) FAVOUR

Then after that you turned away, and were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, you would have been among the lost. (2:64)

What an evil thing they have sold themselves for in rejecting what Allah has sent down, outraged that Allah should send down His favour on whichever of His servants He wills. They have brought down anger upon anger on themselves.

The disbelievers will have a humiliating punishment. (2:90)

Those of the People of the Book who disbelieve and the idolaters do not like anything good to be sent down to you from your Lord. But Allah selects for His mercy whomever He wills. Allah's favour is truly vast. (2:105)

What do you think about those who left their homes in thousands in fear of death? Allah said to them, 'Die!' and then brought them back to life. Allah shows great favour to mankind, but most people are not grateful. (2:243)

And with Allah's permission they routed them. Dawud killed Goliath and Allah gave him kingship and wisdom and taught him whatever He willed. If it were not for Allah's driving some people back by means of others, the earth would have been corrupted. But Allah shows favour to all the worlds. (2:251)

Then and there Zakariyya called on his Lord and said, 'O Lord, grant me by Your favour an upright child. You are the Hearer of Prayer.' (3:38)

Do not trust anyone except for those who follow your religion.' Say, 'Allah's guidance is true guidance. But you think it is impossible for anyone to be given the same as you were given, or to argue with you before your Lord.' Say, 'All favour is in Allah's Hand and He gives it to whoever He wills. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing. He picks out for His mercy whoever He wills. Allah's favour is indeed immense.' (3:73-74)

Allah fulfilled His promise to you when you were slaughtering them by His permission. But then you faltered, disputing the command, and disobeyed after He showed you what you love. Among you are those who want this world and among you are those who want the hereafter. Then He turned you from them in order to test you—but He has pardoned you. Allah shows favour to the believers. (3:152)

Do not suppose that those killed in the Way of Allah are dead. No indeed! They are alive and well provided for in the very presence of their Lord, delighting in the favour Allah has bestowed on them, rejoicing over those they left behind who have not yet joined them, feeling no fear and knowing no sorrow, rejoicing in blessings

and favour from Allah and that Allah does not let the wage of the believers go to waste. (3:169-171)

So they returned with blessings and bounty from Allah and no evil touched them. They pursued the pleasure of Allah. Allah's favour is indeed immense. (3:174)

That is favour from Allah. Allah suffices as a Knower. (4:70)

But if you meet with favour from Allah they say—as if there were no friendship between you and them—'Oh! If only I had been with them so that I too might have won a great victory.' (4:73) When news of any matter reaches them they spread it about, whether it is of a reassuring or disquieting nature. If they had only referred it to the Messenger and those in command among them, those among them able to discern the truth about it would have had proper knowledge of it. If it were not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, all but a very few of you would have followed Satan. (4:83)

Were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, a group of them would almost have managed to mislead you. But they mislead no one but themselves and do not harm you in any way. Allah has sent down the Book and Wisdom to you and taught you what you did not know before. Allah's favour to you is indeed immense. (4:113)

As for those who believe and do right actions, He will pay them their wages in full and will give them increase from His favour. As for those who show disdain and grow arrogant, He will punish them with a painful punishment. They will not find any protector or helper for themselves besides Allah. (4:173)

As for those who believe in Allah and hold fast to Him, He will admit them into mercy and favour from Him and will guide them to Him on a straight path. (4:175)

You who believe! If any of you renounce your religion, Allah will bring forward a people whom He loves and who love Him, humble to the believers, fierce to the disbelievers, who strive in the Way of Allah and do not fear the blame of any censurer. That is the unbounded favour of

Allah which He gives to whoever He wills. Allah is Boundless, All-Knowing. (5:54)

In this way We try some of them by means of others so that they say, 'Are these the people among us to whom Allah has shown His favour?' Does not Allah know best those who are thankful? (6:53)

You who believe! If you have fear of Allah, He will give you discrimination and erase your bad actions from you and forgive you. Allah's favour is indeed immense. (8:29)

Say: 'It is the favour of Allah and His mercy that should be the cause of their rejoicing. That is better than anything they accumulate.' (10:58)

What will those who invent lies against Allah think on the Day of Rising? Allah shows favour to mankind but most of them are not thankful. (10:60)

If Allah afflicts you with harm, no one can remove it except Him. If He desires good for you, no one can avert His favour. He bestows it on whichever of His servants He wills. He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (10:107)

'Ask your Lord for forgiveness and then repent to Him. He will let you enjoy a good life until a specified time, and will give His favour to all who merit it. But if you turn your backs, I fear for you the punishment of a Mighty Day.' (11:3)

Their Messengers said to them, 'We are nothing but human beings like yourselves. But Allah shows favour to any of His servants He wills. It is not for us to bring you an authority except by Allah's permission. So let the believers put their trust in Allah.' (14:11)

We made the night and day two Signs. We blotted out the Sign of the night and made the Sign of the day a time for seeing so that you can seek favour from your Lord and will know the number of years and the reckoning of time. We have made all things very clear. (17:12)

Look how We favour some of them over others. But the hereafter has higher ranks and greater favours. (17:21)

Were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy... and that Allah is Ever-Returning, All-Wise. (24:10)

Were it not for Allah's favour to you and His

mercy, both in this world and the hereafter, a terrible punishment would have afflicted you for your plunging headlong into it. (24:14)

You who believe! Do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. Anyone who follows in Satan's footsteps should know that he commands indecency and wrongdoing. Were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, not one of you would ever have been purified. But Allah purifies whoever He wills. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (24:21)

(It is) so that Allah can reward them for the best of what they did and give them more from His unbounded favour. Allah provides for anyone He wills without reckoning. (24:38)

Sulayman was Dawud's heir. He said, 'Mankind! We have been taught the speech of birds and we have been given everything. This is indeed clear favour.' (27:16)

He who possessed knowledge of the Book said, 'I will bring it to you before your glance returns to you.' And when he saw it standing firmly in his presence, he said, 'This is part of my Lord's favour to test me to see if I will give thanks or show ingratitude. Whoever gives thanks only does so to his own gain. Whoever is ungrateful, my Lord is Rich Beyond Need, Generous.' (27:40)

Allah shows favour to mankind but most of them are not thankful. (27:73)

Give good news to the believers that they will receive immense favour from Allah. (33:47)

We gave Dawud great favour from Us: 'O mountains and birds! Echo with him in his praise!' And We made iron malleable for him. (34:10)

(Believers hope) that He will pay them their wages in full and give them more from His unbounded favour. He is Ever-Forgiving, Ever-Thankful. (35:30)

Then We made Our chosen servants inherit the Book. But some of them wrong themselves; some are ambivalent; and some outdo each other in good by Allah's permission. That is the great favour. (35:32)

They will say, 'Praise be to Allah Who has removed all sadness from us. Truly our Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Ever-Thankful: He Who has lodged us,

out of His favour, in the Abode of Permanence where no weariness or fatigue affects us.' (35:34-35)

Allah is He Who appointed the night for you so that you might rest in it, and the day for seeing. Allah pours out His favour on mankind but most people do not show thanks. (40:61)

You will see the wrongdoers afraid of what they have earned, when it is about to land right on top of them, whereas those who believe and do right actions will be in the lush Meadows of the Gardens. They will have whatever they wish for with their Lord. That is the great favour. (42:22)

He responds to those who believe and do right actions and gives them increase from His favour. But the disbelievers will have a harsh punishment. (42:26)

A favour from your Lord. That is the Great Victory. (44:57)

Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and those who are with him are fierce to the disbelievers, merciful to one another. You see them bowing and prostrating, seeking Allah's good favour and His pleasure. Their mark is on their faces, the traces of prostration. That is their likeness in the Torah. And their likeness in the Gospel is that of a seed which puts up a shoot and makes it strong so that it thickens and grows up straight upon its stalk, filling the sowers with delight--so that by them He may infuriate the disbelievers. Allah has promised those of them who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (48:29)

It is a great favour from Allah and a blessing. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (49:8)

They think they have done you a favour by becoming Muslims! Say: 'Do not consider your Islam a favour to me. No indeed! It is Allah Who has favoured you by guiding you to faith if you are telling the truth.' (49:17)

Race each other to forgiveness from your Lord and to a Garden, whose breadth is like that of heaven and earth combined, made ready for those who believe in Allah and His Messengers. That is Allah's favour which He gives to those He wills. Allah's favour is indeed immense. (57:21) So that the People of the Book may know that

they have no power at all over any of Allah's favour and that all favour is in the Hand of Allah. He gives it to anyone He wills. Allah's favour is indeed immense. (57:29)

It (booty) is for the poor of the emigrants who were driven from their homes and wealth desiring the favour and the pleasure of Allah and supporting Allah and His Messenger. Such people are the truly sincere. (59:8)

That is Allah's favour which He gives to whoever He wills. Allah's favour is indeed immense. (62:4)

## FEAR

Or (their likeness is) that of a storm-cloud in the sky, full of darkness, thunder and lightning. They put their fingers in their ears against the thunderclaps, fearful of death. Allah encompasses the disbelievers. (2:19)

He (Musa) said, 'You throw.' And when they threw, they cast a spell on the people's eyes and caused them to feel great fear of them. They produced an extremely powerful magic. (7:116)

The Book will be set in place and you will see the evildoers fearful of what is in it. They will say, 'Alas for us! What is this Book which does not pass over any action, small or great, without recording it?' They will find there everything they did and your Lord will not wrong anyone at all. (18:49)

(A voice called out to Musa,) 'Put your hand inside your shirt front. It will emerge pure white yet quite unharmed. And hug your arms to your sides to still your fear. These are two proofs from your Lord for Pharaoh and his ruling circle. They are a deviant people.' (28:32)

You are a greater cause of terror in their breasts than Allah! That is because they (the hypocrites) are people who do not understand. (59:13)

## FEAR OF ALLAH

Tribe of Israel! Remember the blessing I conferred on you. Honour My contract and I will honour your contract. Have dread of Me alone. (2:40)

Believe in what I have sent down, confirming what is with you. Do not be the first to reject it

and do not sell My Signs for a paltry price. Have fear of Me alone. (2:41)

Then your hearts became hardened after that, so they were like rocks or even harder still. There are some rocks from which rivers gush out, and others which split open and water pours out, and others which crash down from fear of Allah. Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:74)

Wherever you come from, turn your face to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Wherever you are, turn your faces towards it so that people will have no argument against you—except for those among them who do wrong and then you should not fear them but rather fear Me—and so that I can complete My blessing to you so that hopefully you will be guided. (2:150)

Sacred month in return for sacred month—sacred things are subject to retaliation. So if anyone oversteps the limits against you, overstep against him the same as he did to you. But have fear of Allah. Know that Allah is with those who guard against evil. (2:194)

Perform the pilgrimage and the pious visit for Allah. If you are forcibly prevented, make whatever sacrifice is feasible. But do not shave your heads until the sacrificial animal has reached the place of sacrifice. If any of you are ill or have a head injury, the expiation is fasting or charity or sacrifice when you are safe and well again. And if you are secure, then he who takes advantage of a pious visit before the pilgrimage should make whatever sacrifice is feasible. For any one who cannot, there is three days' fast on pilgrimage and seven on your return—that is ten in all. That is for anyone whose family does not live near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Have fear of Allah and know that Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:196)

The pilgrimage takes place during certain well-known months. If anyone undertakes the obligation of pilgrimage in them, there must be no sexual intercourse, no wrongdoing, nor any quarrelling during pilgrimage. Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. Take provision; but the best provision is fear of Allah. So have fear of Me, people of intelligence! (2:197)

Remember Allah on the designated days. Those

who hurry on in two days have done no wrong, and those who stay another day have done no wrong—those of them who guard against evil. So have fear of Allah. And know that you will be gathered back to Him. (2:203)

To those who disbelieve, the life of this world is painted in glowing colours and they laugh at those who believe. But on the Day of Rising those who fear Allah will be over them. Allah provides for whoever He wills without any reckoning. (2:212)

Your women are fertile fields for you, so come to your fertile fields however you like. Send good ahead for yourselves and have fear of Allah. Know that you are going to meet Him. And give good news to the believers. (2:223)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, then either retain them with correctness and courtesy or release them with correctness and courtesy. Do not retain them by force, thus overstepping the limits. Anyone who does that has wronged himself. Do not make a mockery of Allah's Signs. Remember Allah's blessing to you and the Book and Wisdom He has sent down to you to admonish you. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:231)

Mothers should nurse their children for two full years—those who wish to complete the full term of nursing. It is the duty of the fathers to feed and clothe them with correctness and courtesy—no self is charged with more than it can bear. No mother should be put under pressure in respect of her child nor any father in respect of his child. The same duty is incumbent on the heir. If the couple both wish weaning to take place after mutual agreement and consultation, there is nothing wrong in their doing that. If you wish to find wet-nurses for your children, there is nothing wrong in your doing that provided you hand over to them what you have agreed to give with correctness and courtesy. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah sees what you do. (2:233)

You who believe! Have fear of Allah the way He should be feared and do not die except as Muslims. (3:102)

That was only Satan who intimidated his adher-

ents. But do not fear them—fear Me if you are believers. (3:175)

You who believe, be steadfast; be supreme in steadfastness; be firm on the battlefield; and have fear of Allah; so that hopefully you will be successful. (3:200)

O mankind! Have fear of your Lord Who created you from a single self and created its mate from it and then disseminated many men and women from the two of them. Have fear of Allah in whose name you make demands on one another and also in respect of your families. Allah watches over you continually. (4:1)

Do you not see those who were told: ‘Hold back from fighting but perform prayer and give the alms’? Then when fighting is prescribed for them, a group of them fear people as Allah should be feared, or even more than that. They say, ‘Our Lord, why have you prescribed fighting for us? If only You would give us just a little more time!’ Say, ‘The enjoyment of this world is very brief. The hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. You will not be wronged by so much as the smallest speck.’ (4:77)

You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

You who believe! Show integrity for the sake of Allah, bearing witness with justice. Do not let hatred for a people incite you into not being just. Be just. That is closer to heedfulness. Have fear of Allah. Allah is aware of what you do. (5:8)

You who believe! Remember Allah’s blessing to you when certain people were on the verge of raising their hands against you and He held their hands back from you. Have fear of Allah. The believers should put their trust in Allah. (5:11)  
(One of the Adam's two sons said to the other,) ‘Even if you do raise your hand against me to kill me, I am not going to raise my hand against you to kill you. Truly I fear Allah, the Lord of all the worlds.’ (5:28)

You who believe! Have fear of Allah and seek the means of drawing near to Him, and strive in His Way, so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:35)

We sent down the Torah containing guidance and light, and the Prophets who had submitted themselves gave judgement by it for the Jews—as did their scholars and their rabbis—by what they had been allowed to preserve of Allah’s Book to which they were witnesses. Do not be afraid of people, be afraid of Me. And do not sell My Signs for a paltry price. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are disbelievers. (5:44)

You who believe! Do not take as friends any of those who who make a mockery and a game out of your religion among the ones who were given the Book before you or the disbelievers. Have fear of Allah if you are believers. (5:57)

Eat the lawful and good things Allah has provided for you, and have fear of Allah, Him in Whom you believe. (5:88)

You who believe! Allah will test you with game animals which come within the reach of your hands and spears, so that Allah will know those who fear Him in the Unseen. Anyone who oversteps the limits after this will have a painful punishment. (5:94)

Anything you catch in the sea is lawful for you, and all food from it, for your enjoyment and that of travellers, but land game is forbidden for you while you are in the state of pilgrimage. So have fear of Allah, Him to Whom you will be gathered. (5:96)

That makes it more likely that they will give their evidence properly or be afraid that their oaths will be refuted by subsequent oaths. Have fear of Allah and listen carefully. Allah does not guide deviant people. (5:108)

Warn by it (the Qur'an) those who fear they will be gathered to their Lord, having no protector or intercessor apart from Him, so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (6:51)

(Say:) 'And (we are commanded) to perform prayer and have fear of Him. It is He to Whom you will be gathered.' (6:72)

You who believe! If you have fear of Allah, He will give you discrimination and erase your bad actions from you and forgive you. Allah's favour is indeed immense. (8:29)

So make full use of any booty you have taken which is lawful and good; and have fear of Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (8:69)  
Will you not fight a people who have broken their oaths and resolved to expel the Messenger, and who initiated hostilities against you in the first place? Is it them you fear? Allah has more right to your fear if you are believers. (9:13)

The mosques of Allah should only be maintained by those who believe in Allah and the Last Day and perform prayer and give the alms, and fear no one but Allah. They are the ones most likely to be guided. (9:18)

But the wages of the hereafter are the best for people who believe and fear their Lord. (12:57)  
They said, 'Are you Yusuf?' He said, 'I am indeed Yusuf, and this here is my brother. Allah has acted graciously to us. As for those who fear Allah and are steadfast, Allah does not allow to go to waste the wage of any people who do good.' (12:90)

The thunder glorifies His praise, as do the angels, out of fear of Him. He discharges the thunderbolts, striking with them anyone He wills. Yet still they argue about Allah when He is inexorable in His power! (13:13)

(People of intelligence are) those who join what Allah has commanded to be joined and are afraid of their Lord and fear an evil Reckoning. (13:21)

When those who have fear of Allah are asked, 'What has your Lord sent down?' their reply is, 'Good!' There is good in this world for those who do good, and the abode of the hereafter is even better. How wonderful is the abode of those who guard against evil. (16:30)

They fear their Lord above them and do everything they are ordered to do. (16:50)

Allah says, 'Do not take two gods. He is only One God. So dread Me alone.' (16:51)

Everything in the heavens and earth belongs to Him, and the religion belongs to Him, firmly and for ever. So why do you fear anyone other than Allah? (16:52)

Allah is with those who have fear of Him and with those who are good-doers. (16:128)

He knows what is in front of them and what is behind them. They only intercede on behalf of those with whom He is pleased, and even they are apprehensive out of fear of Him. (21:28)

... for the heedful: those who fear their Lord in the Unseen and are apprehensive about the Hour. (21:48-49)

Mankind, have fear of your Lord! The quaking of the Hour is a terrible thing. (22:1)

This faith of yours is a single faith and I am your Lord, so have fear of Me. (23:52)

(Believers are) those who are filled with the fear of their Lord. (23:57)

So set your face firmly towards the Religion, as a pure natural believer, Allah's natural pattern on which He made mankind. There is no changing Allah's creation. That is the true Religion—but most people do not know it—turning towards Him. Have fear of Him and perform prayer. Do not be among the idolaters. (30:30-31)

Mankind! Have fear of your Lord and fear a day when no father will be able to atone for his son, or son for his father, in any way. Allah's promise is true. So do not let the life of this world delude you and do not let the Deluder delude you concerning Allah. (31:33)

Their sides eschew their beds as they call on their Lord in fear and ardent hope. And they give of what We have provided for them. (32:16)

There is no restriction on the Prophet regarding anything Allah allots to him. This was Allah's pattern with those who passed away before—and Allah's command is a pre-ordained decree—those who conveyed Allah's Message and had fear of Him, fearing no one except Allah. Allah suffices as a Reckoner. (33:38-39)

No burden-bearer can bear another's burden. If someone weighed down calls for help to bear his load, none of it will be borne for him, even by his next of kin. You can only warn those who fear their Lord in the Unseen and perform prayer.

Whoever is purified, is purified for himself alone. Allah is your final destination. (35:18) And mankind and beasts and livestock are likewise of varying colours. Only those of His servants with knowledge have fear of Allah. Allah is Almighty, Ever-Forgiving. (35:28)

You can only warn those who act on the Reminder and fear the All-Merciful in the Unseen. Give them the good news of forgiveness and a generous reward. (36:11)

They will have awnings of Fire above them and awnings below them. By that Allah strikes fear into His servants: 'So have fear, My servants, of Me!' (39:16)

But those who have fear of their Lord will have high-ceilinged Halls, and more such Halls built one above the other, and rivers flowing under them. That is Allah's promise. Allah does not break His promise. (39:20)

Allah has sent down the Supreme Discourse, a Book consistent in its frequent repetitions. The skins of those who fear their Lord tremble at it and then their skins and hearts yield softly to the remembrance of Allah. That is Allah's guidance by which He guides whoever He wills. And no one can guide those whom Allah misguides. (39:23)

And those who have fear of their Lord will be driven to the Garden in companies and when they arrive there, finding its gates open, its custodians will say to them, 'Peace be upon you! You have done well so enter it timelessly, for ever.' (39:73)

(The Garden is for) those who fear the All-Merciful in the Unseen and come with a contrite heart. (50:33)

You who believe! When you confer together secretly, do not do so in wrongdoing and enmity and disobedience to the Messenger; rather confer together in goodness and fear of Allah. Have fear of Allah-Him to Whom you will be gathered. (58:9)

Whatever booty Allah gives to His Messenger from city dwellers belongs to Allah and to the Messenger and to near relatives and orphans and the very poor and travellers, so that it does not become something which merely revolves be-

tween the rich among you. Whatever the Messenger gives you you should accept and whatever he forbids you you should forgo. Have fear of Allah—Allah is severe in retribution. (59:7) They are like Satan when he says to a human being, 'Disbelieve,' and then when he disbelieves, says, 'I wash my hands of you. Truly I fear Allah, the Lord of all the worlds.' (59:16)

You who believe! Have fear of Allah and let each self look to what it has sent forward for Tomorrow. Have fear of Allah. Allah is aware of what you do. (59:18)

If We Had sent down this Qur'an onto a mountain, you would have seen it humbled, crushed to pieces out of fear of Allah. We make such examples for people so that hopefully they will reflect. (59:21)

So have fear of Allah, as much as you are able to, and listen and obey and spend for your own benefit. It is the people who are safe-guarded from the avarice of their own selves who are successful. (64:16)

O Prophet! When any of you divorce women, divorce them during their period of purity and calculate their waiting period carefully. And have fear of Allah, your Lord. Do not evict them from their homes, nor should they leave, unless they commit an outright indecency. Those are Allah's limits, and anyone who oversteps Allah's limits has wronged himself. You never know, it may well be that after that Allah will cause a new situation to develop. (65:1)

Then when they have reached the end of their waiting period either retain them with correctness and courtesy or part from them with correctness and courtesy. Call two upright men from among yourselves as witnesses and they should carry out the witnessing for Allah. This is admonishment for all who believe in Allah and the Last Day. Whoever has fear of Allah—He will give him a way out. (65:2)

In the case of those of your wives who are past the age of menstruation, if you have any doubt, their waiting period should be three months, and that also applies to those who have not yet menstruated. The time for women who are pregnant is when they give birth. Whoever has fear of

Allah—He will make matters easy for him. (65:4)  
Allah has prepared a terrible punishment for them. So have fear of Allah, people of intelligence—those who believe—Allah has sent down a reminder to you. (65:10)

Those who fear their Lord in the Unseen will have forgiveness and an immense reward. (67:12)

But they will only pay heed if Allah wills. He is entitled to be feared and entitled to forgive. (74:56)

There is certainly instruction in that for those who fear. (79:26)

But as for him who feared the Station of his Lord and forbade the lower self its appetites, the Garden will be his refuge. (79:40-41)

He who has fear will be reminded. (87:10)

Their reward is with their Lord: Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. That is for those who fear their Lord. (98:8)

## **FEAR OF DEATH**

What do you think about those who left their homes in thousands in fear of death? Allah said to them, ‘Die!’ and then brought them back to life. Allah shows great favour to mankind, but most people are not grateful. (2:243)

Allah knows the obstructers among you and those who say to their brothers, ‘Come to us,’ and who only come to fight a very little, and are begrudging towards you. Then when fear comes, you see them looking at you, their eyes rolling like people scared to death. But when fear departs they flay you with sharp tongues, grasping for wealth. Such people have no faith and Allah will make their actions come to nothing. That is easy for Allah. (33:18-19)

Those who believe say, ‘If only a sura could be sent down.’ But when a straightforward sura is sent down and fighting is mentioned in it, you see those with sickness in their hearts looking at you with the look of someone about to faint from fear of death. More fitting for them would be obedience and honourable words. Once the matter is resolved upon, being true to Allah

would be better for them. (47:20-21)

## **FEMALE**

You who believe! Retaliation is prescribed for you in the case of people killed: free man for free man, slave for slave, female for female. But if someone is absolved by his brother, blood-money should be claimed with correctness and paid with good will. That is an easement and a mercy from your Lord. Anyone who goes beyond the limits after this will receive a painful punishment. (2:178)

When she (the wife of 'Imran) gave birth, she said, ‘My Lord! I have given birth to a girl’—and Allah knew very well what she had given birth to, male and female are not the same—and I have named her Maryam and placed her and her children in Your safekeeping from the accursed Satan.’ (3:36)

Their Lord responds to them: ‘I will not let the deeds of any doer among you go to waste, male or female—you are both the same in that respect. Those who migrated and were driven from their homes and suffered harm in My Way and fought and were killed, I will erase their bad actions from them and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, as a reward from Allah. The best of all rewards is with Allah.’ (3:195)

Allah instructs you regarding your children: A male receives the same as the share of two females. If there are more than two daughters they receive two-thirds of what you leave. If she is one on her own she receives a half. Each of your parents receives a sixth of what you leave if you have children. If you are childless and your heirs are your parents your mother receives a third. If you have brothers or sisters your mother receives a sixth, after any bequest you make or any debts. With regard to your fathers and your sons, you do not know which of them is going to benefit you more. These are obligatory shares from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:11)

What they call on apart from Him are female idols. What they call on is an arrogant Satan. (4:117)

Anyone, male or female, who does right actions

and is a believer, will enter the Garden. They will not be wronged by so much as the tiniest speck. (4:124)

They request from you a ruling. Say: 'Allah gives you a ruling about people who die without direct heirs: If a man dies childless but has a sister she receives half of what he leaves, and he is her heir if she dies childless. If there are two sisters they receive two-thirds of what he leaves. If there are brothers and sisters the males receive the share of two females. Allah makes things clear to you so you will not go astray. Allah has knowledge of all things.' (4:176)

As for thieves, both male and female, cut off their hands in reprisal for what they have done: an object lesson from Allah. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (5:38)

There are eight in pairs: A pair of sheep and a pair of goats—Say: 'Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Tell me with knowledge if you are being truthful.' (6:143)

And a pair of camels and a pair of cattle—Say: 'Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Were you then witnesses when Allah gave you this instruction?' Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah thus leading people astray without any knowledge? Allah does not guide the people of the wrongdoers. (6:144)

And to Thamud We sent their brother Salih, who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. A Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord. This is the She-Camel of Allah as a Sign for you. Leave her alone to eat on Allah's earth and do not harm her in any way or a painful punishment will afflict you.' (7:73)

And they hamstrung the She-Camel, spurning their Lord's command, and said, 'Salih! Bring us what you have promised us if you are one of the Messengers.' (7:77)

His Lord replied to him (Yusuf) and turned away from him their female guile and deviousness. He is the One Who Hears, the One Who Knows. (12:34)

Allah knows what every female bears and every

shrinking of the womb and every swelling. Everything has its measure with Him. (13:8)

Anyone who acts rightly, male or female, being a believer, We will give them a good life and We will recompense them according to the best of what they did. (16:97)

Nothing has prevented Us sending you Signs except the fact that the previous peoples denied them. We gave Thamud the she-camel as a visible Sign, and then they mistreated her. We do not send Signs except to frighten people. (17:59)

He (Salih) said, 'Here is a she-camel. She has a time for drinking and you have a time for drinking—on specified days.' (26:155)

Allah created you from dust and then from a drop of sperm and then made you into pairs. No female becomes pregnant or gives birth except with His knowledge. And no living thing lives long or has its life cut short without that being in a Book. That is easy for Allah. (35:11)

Or did We create the angels female, with them as witnesses? (37:150)

Whoever does an evil act will only be repaid with its equivalent. But whoever acts rightly, male or female, being a believer, such a person will enter the Garden, provided for in it without any reckoning. (40:40)

Knowledge of the Hour is referred to Him. And no fruit emerges from its husk, nor does any female get pregnant or give birth, without His knowledge. On the Day He calls out to them: 'Where are My associates?' they will say, 'We declare to you that none of us is a witness.' (41:47) They have designated the angels as female, those who are in the presence of the All-Merciful! Were they present to witness their creation? Their testimony will be recorded and they will be asked about it! (43:19)

Mankind! We created you from a male and female, and made you into peoples and tribes so that you might come to know each other. The noblest among you in Allah's sight is the one of you who best performs his duty. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (49:13)

Do you have males and He females? (53:21)

Those who do not believe in the hereafter give the angels female names. (53:27)

(Has he not been informed) that He created the two sexes—male and female? (53:45)  
We will send the she-camel as a trial for them. Just keep a watchful eye on them and be steadfast. (54:27)

Was he not a drop of ejaculated sperm, then a blood-clot which He created and shaped, making from it both sexes, male and female? (75:37-39)

And (I swear by) the creation of male and female. (92:3)

### **FIERCE WIND**

Would any of you like to have a garden of dates and grapes, with rivers flowing underneath and containing all kinds of fruits, then to be stricken with old age and have children who are weak, and then for a fierce whirlwind containing fire to come and strike it so that it goes up in flames? In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect. (2:266)

Do you feel secure against Him causing the shore to swallow you up or sending against you a sudden squall of stones? Then you will find no one to be your guardian. (17:68)

So We sent a howling wind against them on disastrous ill-fated days to make them taste the punishment of degradation in this world. And the punishment of the hereafter is even more degrading. And they will not be helped. (41:16)

We unleashed a howling wind against them on a day of unremitting horror. (54:19)

We unleashed a sudden squall of stones against all of them, except the family of Lut, who We rescued before dawn. (54:34)

'Ad were destroyed by a savage howling wind. (69:6)

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(I swear) by the fig and the olive. (95:1)

### **FIGHTING**

Fight in the Way of Allah against those who fight you, but do not go beyond the limits. Allah does not love those who go beyond the limits. (2:190)  
Kill them wherever you come across them and expel them from where they expelled you.

Corruption is worse than killing. Do not fight them in the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) until they fight you there. But if they do fight you, then kill them. That is how the disbelievers should be repaid. (2:191)

Fight them until there is no more discord and the religion belongs to Allah alone. If they cease, there should be no enmity towards any but wrongdoers. (2:193)

Fighting is prescribed for you even if it is hateful to you. It may be that you hate something when it is good for you and it may be that you love something when it is bad for you. Allah knows and you do not know. (2:216)

They will ask you about the Sacred Month and fighting in it. Say, 'Fighting in it is a serious matter; but barring access to the Way of Allah and rejecting Him and barring access to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and expelling its people from it are far more serious in the sight of Allah. Discord is worse than killing.' They will not stop fighting you until they make you revert from your religion, if they are able. As for any of you who revert from their religion and die disbelievers, their actions will come to nothing in this world and the hereafter. They are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:217)

Fight in the Way of Allah. Know that Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (2:244)

What do you think about the council of the tribe of Israel after Musa's time when they said to one of their Prophets, 'Give us a king and we will fight in the Way of Allah'? He said, 'Is it not possible that if fighting were prescribed for you, you would not fight?' They said, 'How could we not fight in the way of Allah when we have been driven from our homes and children?' But then when fighting was prescribed for them, they turned their backs—except for a few of them. Allah knows the wrongdoers. (2:246)

They will not harm you except with abusive words. If they fight you, they will turn their backs on you. Then they will not be helped. (3:111)

Many a Prophet has been fought, when there were many thousands with him! They did not give up in the face of what assailed them in the Way of Allah, nor did they weaken, nor did they yield. Allah

loves the steadfast. (3:146)

And (it is) so that He would know the hypocrites. They were told, 'Come and fight in the Way of Allah or at least help defend us.' They said, 'If we knew how to fight, we would certainly follow you.' They were closer to disbelief that day than to faith, saying with their mouths what was not in their hearts. And Allah knows best what they are hiding. (3:167)

You who believe! Take all necessary precautions, then go out to fight in separate groups or go out as one body. (4:71)

So let those who sell the life of this world for the hereafter fight in the Way of Allah. If someone fights in the Way of Allah, whether he is killed or is victorious, We will pay him an immense reward. (4:74)

What reason could you have for not fighting in the Way of Allah—for those men, women and children who are oppressed and say, 'Our Lord, take us out of this city whose inhabitants are wrongdoers! Give us a protector from You! Give us a helper from You!'? (4:75)

Those who believe fight in the Way of Allah. Those who disbelieve fight in the way of false gods. So fight the friends of Satan! Satan's scheming is always feeble. (4:76)

Do you not see those who were told: 'Hold back from fighting but perform prayer and give the alms'? Then when fighting is prescribed for them, a group of them fear people as Allah should be feared, or even more than that. They say, 'Our Lord, why have you prescribed fighting for us? If only You would give us just a little more time!' Say, 'The enjoyment of this world is very brief. The hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. You will not be wronged by so much as the smallest speck.' (4:77)

So fight in the way of Allah—you are only answerable for yourself—and spur on the believers. It may well be that Allah will curb the force of those who disbelieve. Allah has greater force and greater power to punish. (4:84)

... Do not take any of them as either a friend or helper—except for those who seek shelter with people with whom you have a treaty, or who come to you greatly perturbed at the prospect of

fighting either you or their own people. If Allah had willed, He could have given them the upper hand over you and then they would have fought you. If they keep away from you and do not fight you and submit to you, Allah has not given you any way against such people. (4:89-90)

They said, 'We will never enter it, Musa, as long as they are there. So you and your Lord go and fight. We will stay sitting here.' (5:24)

Anyone who turns his back on them that day, unless he is withdrawing to rejoin the fight or withdrawing to support another group, brings Allah's anger down upon himself. His refuge is Hell. What an evil destination! (8:16)

Fight them until there is no more discord and the religion is Allah's alone. If they stop, Allah sees what they do. (8:39)

O Prophet! Spur on the believers to fight. If there are twenty of you who are steadfast, they will overcome two hundred; and if there are a hundred of you, they will overcome a thousand of those who disbelieve, because they are people who do not understand. (8:65)

Will you not fight a people who have broken their oaths and resolved to expel the Messenger, and who initiated hostilities against you in the first place? Is it them you fear? Allah has more right to your fear if you are believers. (9:13)

Fight them! Allah will punish them at your hands, and disgrace them and help you against them, and heal the hearts of those who believe. (9:14)

Fight those of the people who were given the Book who do not believe in Allah and the Last Day and who do not make forbidden what Allah and His Messenger have made forbidden and do not take as their religion the religion of Truth, until they pay the poll tax with their own hands in a state of complete abasement. (9:29)

There have been twelve months with Allah in the Book of Allah, from the day He first created the heavens and earth. Four of them are forbidden. That is the True Religion. So do not wrong one another during them. However, fight the idolaters totally just as they fight you totally, and know that Allah is with those who guard against evil. (9:36)

You who believe! What is the matter with you that when you are told, 'Go out and fight in the way of Allah,' you sink down heavily to the earth? Are you happier with this world than the hereafter? Yet the enjoyment of this world is very small compared to that of the hereafter. (9:38) If you do not go out to fight, He will punish you with a painful punishment and substitute another people in your place. You will not harm Him in any way. Allah has power over all things. (9:39) Go out to fight, light-armed and heavy-armed, and strive with your wealth and yourselves in the Way of Allah. That is better for you if you only knew. (9:41)

If Allah returns you to a group of them, and they ask you for permission to go out, say, 'You will never go out with me, nor will you ever fight an enemy with me. You were happy to stay behind the first time, so stay behind with those who are left behind.' (9:83)

Allah has bought from the believers their selves and their wealth in return for the Garden. They fight in the Way of Allah and they kill and are killed. It is a promise binding on Him in the Torah, the Gospel and the Qur'an and who is truer to his contract than Allah? Rejoice then in the bargain you have made. That is the great victory. (9:111)

You who believe! Fight those of the disbelievers who are near to you and let them find you implacable. Know that Allah is with those who guard against evil. (9:123)

Permission to fight is given to those who are fought against because they have been wronged—truly Allah has the power to come to their support—those who were expelled from their homes without any right, merely for saying, 'Our Lord is Allah' (if Allah had not driven some people back by means of others, monasteries, churches, synagogues and mosques, where Allah's name is mentioned much, would have been pulled down and destroyed. Allah will certainly help those who help Him—Allah is All-Strong, Almighty), (22:39-40)

They think that the Confederates have not departed and if the Confederates did appear then they would wish they were out in the desert with

the Arabs, asking for news of you. If they were with you they would only fight a very little. (33:20)

Allah sent back those who disbelieved in their rage without their achieving any good at all. Allah made it unnecessary for the believers to fight. Allah is Most Strong, Almighty. (33:25)

Therefore when you meet those who disbelieve strike their necks. Then when you have decimated them, tie their bonds tightly and set them free or ransom them, until the war is finally over. That is how it is to be. If Allah willed, He could avenge Himself on them. But it is so that He can test some of you by means of others. As for those who fight in the Way of Allah, He will not let their actions go astray. (47:4)

Those who believe say, 'If only a sura could be sent down.' But when a straightforward sura is sent down and fighting is mentioned in it, you see those with sickness in their hearts looking at you with the look of someone about to faint from fear of death. More fitting for them would be obedience and honourable words. Once the matter is resolved upon, being true to Allah would be better for them. (47:20-21)

Say to the Arabs who remained behind: 'You will be called up against a people who possess great force whom you must fight unless they submit. If you obey, Allah will give you an excellent reward. But if you turn your backs as you did before, He will punish you with a painful punishment.' (48:16)

If those who disbelieve should fight you, they would turn their backs and then find no one to protect or help them. (48:22)

If two parties of the believers fight, make peace between them. But if one of them attacks the other unjustly, fight the attackers until they revert to Allah's command. If they revert, make peace between them with justice, and be even-handed. Allah loves those who are even-handed. (49:9)

And how is it with you that you do not give in the Way of Allah, when the inheritance of the heavens and the earth belongs to Allah? Those of you who gave and fought before the Victory are not the same as those who gave and fought afterwards. They are higher in rank. But to each of

them Allah has promised the Best. Allah is aware of what you do. (57:10)

Did you not see the hypocrites saying to their brothers, those among the People of the Book who disbelieve, 'If you are driven out we will leave with you, we will never obey anyone to your detriment. And if you are fought against we will help you?' Allah bears witness that they are truly liars. (59:11)

If they are driven out they will not leave with them. If they are fought against they will not help them. And if they did help them they would turn their backs, and then they would not be helped. (59:12)

They will not fight against you all together as a group except in fortified towns or behind high walls. Their hostility towards each other is intense. They are full of bravado in each other's company. You consider them united but their hearts are scattered wide. That is because they are people who do not use their intellect. (59:14) Allah does not forbid you from being good to those who have not fought you in the religion or driven you from your homes, or from being just towards them. Allah loves those who are just. (60:8)

Allah merely forbids you from taking as friends those who have fought you in the religion and driven you from your homes and who supported your expulsion. Any who take them as friends are wrongdoers. (60:9)

### FILTH

You who believe! Wine and gambling, stone altars and divining arrows are filth from the handiwork of Satan. Avoid them completely so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:90)

They will swear to you by Allah when you return to them, so that you leave them alone. Leave them alone, then! They are filth. Their shelter will be Hell as repayment for what they did. (9:95)

People who love to see filth being spread about concerning those who believe will have a painful punishment both in this world and the hereafter. Allah knows and you do not know. (24:19)

Shun all filth. (74:5)

### FINERY

Musa said, 'Our Lord, You have given Pharaoh and his ruling circle finery and wealth in the life of this world, Our Lord, so that they may be misguided from Your Way. Our Lord, obliterate their wealth and harden their hearts so that they do not believe until they see the painful punishment.' (10:88)

As for those who desire the life of this world and its finery, We will give them full payment in it for their actions. They will not be deprived here of their due. (11:15)

Anything you have been given is only the enjoyment of the life of this world and its finery. What is with Allah is better and longer lasting. So will you not use your intellect? (28:60)

He (Qarun) went out among his people in his finery. Those who desired the life of this world said, 'Oh! If only we had the same as Qarun has been given! What immense good fortune he possesses.' (28:79)

O Prophet, tell your wives: 'If you desire the life of this world and its finery, come and I will give you all you need and release you with kindness.' (33:28)

### FINGER

Or (their likeness is) that of a storm-cloud in the sky, full of darkness, thunder and lightning. They put their fingers in their ears against the thunderclaps, fearful of death. Allah encompasses the disbelievers. (2:19)

There you are, loving them when they do not love you, even though you believe in all the Books. When they meet you, they say, 'We believe.' But when they leave they bite their fingers out of rage against you. Say, 'Die in your rage.' Allah knows what your hearts contain. (3:119)

And when your Lord revealed to the angels, 'I am with you so make those who believe firm. I will cast terror into the hearts of those who disbelieve, so strike their necks and strike all their finger joints!' (8:12)

(Nuh said,) 'Indeed, every time I called them to Your forgiveness, they put their fingers in their ears, wrapped themselves up in their clothes and were overweeningly arrogant.' (71:7)

On the contrary! We are well able to reshape his fingers. (75:4)

## FIRE

Their likeness is that of people who light a fire, and then when it has lit up all around them, Allah removes their light and leaves them in darkness, unable to see. (2:17)

If you do not do that—and you will not do it—then fear the Fire whose fuel is people and stones, made ready for the disbelievers. (2:24)

But those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:39)

They say, ‘The Fire will only touch us for a number of days.’ Say, ‘Have you made a contract with Allah—then Allah will not break His contract—or are you rather saying about Allah what you do not know?’ (2:80)

No indeed! Those who accumulate bad actions and are surrounded by their mistakes, such people are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:81)

We have sent you with the Truth, bringing good news and giving warning. Do not ask about the inhabitants of the Blazing Fire. (2:119)

And when Ibrahim said, ‘My Lord, make this a place of safety and provide its inhabitants with fruits—all of them who believe in Allah and the Last Day,’ He said, ‘I will let anyone who becomes a disbeliever enjoy himself a little but then I will drive him to the punishment of the Fire. What an evil destination!’ (2:126)

Those who followed will say, ‘If only we could have another chance, we would disown them just as they have disowned us.’ In that way Allah will show them their actions as a cause of anguish and remorse for them. They will never emerge from the Fire. (2:167)

Those who conceal what Allah has sent down of the Book and sell it cheap, take nothing into their bellies but the Fire. On the Day of Rising Allah will not speak to them or purify them. They will have a painful punishment. (2:174)

Those are the ones who have sold guidance for misguidance and forgiveness for punishment. How steadfastly they will endure the Fire! (2:175)

And there are others who say, ‘Our Lord, give us good in this world, and good in the hereafter, and safeguard us from the punishment of the Fire.’ (2:201)

They will ask you about the Sacred Month and fighting in it. Say, ‘Fighting in it is a serious matter; but barring access to the Way of Allah and rejecting Him and barring access to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and expelling its people from it are far more serious in the sight of Allah. Discord is worse than killing.’ They will not stop fighting you until they make you revert from your religion, if they are able. As for any of you who revert from their religion and die disbeliever, their actions will come to nothing in this world and the hereafter. They are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:217)

Do not marry women of the idolaters until they believe. A slavegirl who is one of the believers is better for you than a woman of the idolaters, even though she may attract you. And do not marry men of the idolaters until they believe. A slave who is one of the believers is better for you than a man of the idolaters, even though he may attract you. Such people call you to the Fire whereas Allah calls you, with His permission, to the Garden and forgiveness. He makes His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will pay heed. (2:221)

Allah is the Protector of those who believe. He brings them out of the darkness into the light. But those who disbelieve have false gods as protectors. They take them from the light into the darkness. Those are the Companions of the Fire remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:257)

Would any of you like to have a garden of dates and grapes, with rivers flowing underneath and containing all kinds of fruits, then to be stricken with old age and have children who are weak, and then for a fierce whirlwind containing fire to come and strike it so that it goes up in flames? In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect. (2:266)

Those who practise usury will not rise from the grave except as someone driven mad by Satan's touch. That is because they say, ‘Trade is the

same as usury.' But Allah has permitted trade and He has forbidden usury. Whoever is given a warning by his Lord and then desists, can keep what he received in the past and his affair is Allah's concern. But all who return to it will be the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:275)

As for those who disbelieve, their wealth and children will not help them against Allah in any way. They are fuel for the Fire. (3:10)

(Allah sees His servants:) those who say, 'Our Lord, we believe, so forgive us our wrong actions and safeguard us from the punishment of the Fire.' (3:16)

That is because they say, 'The Fire will only touch us for a number of days.' Their inventions have deluded them in their religion. (3:24)

Hold fast to the rope of Allah all together, and do not separate. Remember Allah's blessing to you when you were enemies and He joined your hearts together so that you became brothers by His blessing. You were on the very brink of a pit of the Fire and He rescued you from it. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will be guided. (3:103)

As for those who disbelieve, their wealth and children will not help them against Allah in any way. They are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (3:116)

Have fear of the Fire which has been prepared for the disbelievers. (3:131)

We will cast terror into the hearts of those who disbelieve because they have associated others with Allah for which He has not sent down any authority. Their shelter will be the Fire. How evil is the abode of the wrongdoers! (3:151)

Those who say, 'Allah has made a contract with us that we should not believe in any Messenger until he brings us a sacrifice consumed by fire.' Say, 'Messengers came to you before me with the Clear Signs and with what you say. So why did you kill them if you are telling the truth?' (3:183) Every self will taste death. You will be paid your wages in full on the Day of Rising. Anyone who is distanced from the Fire and admitted to the Garden has triumphed. The life of this world is just the enjoyment of delusion. (3:185)

... there are Signs for people with intelligence: those who remember Allah, standing, sitting and lying on their sides, and reflect on the creation of the heavens and the earth: 'Our Lord, You have not created this for nothing. Glory be to You! So safeguard us from the punishment of the Fire. Our Lord, those You cast into the Fire, You have indeed disgraced. The wrongdoers will have no helpers.' (3:190-192)

People who consume the property of orphans wrongfully consume nothing in their bellies except fire. They will roast in a Searing Blaze. (4:10)

As for those who disobey Allah and His Messenger and overstep His limits, We will admit them into a Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. They will have a humiliating punishment. (4:14)

As for anyone who does that out of enmity and wrongdoing, We will roast him in a Fire. That is an easy matter for Allah. (4:30)

As for those who reject Our Signs, We will roast them in a Fire. Every time their skins are burned off, We will replace them with new skins so that they can taste the punishment. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (4:56)

The hypocrites are in the lowest level of the Fire. You will not find any one to help them. (4:145)

But those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs, are the Companions of the Blazing Fire. (5:10)

(One of the two sons of Adam said to the other,) 'I want you to take on both my wrongdoing and your wrongdoing and so become one of the Companions of the Fire. That is the repayment of the wrongdoers.' (5:29)

They will want to get out of the Fire but they will not be able to. They will have an everlasting punishment. (5:37)

The Jews say, 'Allah's hand is chained.' Their hands are chained and they are cursed for what they say! No! Both His hands are open wide and He gives however He wills. What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of them in insolence and disbelief. We have incited enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising. Each time they kindle the fire of war, Allah extinguishes it. They rush about the earth

corrupting it. Allah does not love corrupters. (5:64)

Those who say that the Messiah, son of Maryam, is Allah are disbelievers. The Messiah said, 'Tribe of Israel! Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord. If anyone associates anything with Allah, Allah has forbidden him the Garden and his refuge will be the Fire.' The wrongdoers will have no helpers. (5:72)

As for those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs, they are the Companions of the Blazing Fire. (5:86)

If only you could see when they are standing before the Fire and saying, 'Oh! If only we could be sent back again, we would not deny the Signs of our Lord and we would be among the believers.' (6:27)

On the Day We gather them all together: 'Company of jinn, you gained many followers among mankind.' And their friends among mankind will say, 'Our Lord, we benefited from one another, and now we have reached the term which You determined for us.' He will say, 'The Fire is your home. You will be in it timelessly, for ever, except as Allah wills. Your Lord is All-Wise, All-Knowing.' (6:128)

He said, 'What prevented you from prostrating when I commanded you to?' He (Satan) replied, 'I am better than him. You created me from fire and You created him from clay.' (7:12)

But as for those who reject Our Signs and are arrogant regarding them, they are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (7:36)

He will say, 'Enter the Fire together with the nations of jinn and men who have passed away before you.' Each time a nation enters, it will curse its sister nation, until, when they are all gathered together in it, the last of them will say to the first, 'Our Lord, those are the ones who misguided us, so give them a double punishment in the Fire.' He will say, 'Each will receive double. But you do not know it.' (7:38)

The Companions of the Garden will call out to the Companions of the Fire, 'We have found that what our Lord promised us is true. Have you found that what your Lord promised you is true?'

They will say, 'Yes, we have!' Between them a herald will proclaim: 'May the curse of Allah be on the wrongdoers.' (7:44)

When they turn their eyes towards the Companions of the Fire, they will say, 'Our Lord, do not place us with the people of the wrongdoers!' (7:47)

The Companions of the Fire will call out to the Companions of the Garden, 'Throw down some water to us or some of what Allah has given you as provision.' They will say, 'Allah has forbidden them to the disbelievers.' (7:50)

That is your reward, so taste it. The disbelievers will also have the punishment of the Fire. (8:14) It is not for the idolaters to maintain the mosques of Allah, bearing witness against themselves of their disbelief. They are the ones whose actions will come to nothing. They will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever. (9:17)

On the Day it is heated up in the fire of Hell and their foreheads, sides and backs are branded with it: 'This is what you hoarded for yourselves, so taste what you were hoarding!' (9:35)

Do they not know that whoever opposes Allah and His Messenger, will have the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever? That is the great disgrace. (9:63)

Allah has promised the men and women of the hypocrites and disbelievers the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. It will suffice them. Allah has cursed them. They will have everlasting punishment. (9:68)

Those who were left behind were glad to stay behind the Messenger of Allah. They did not want to strive with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah. They said, 'Do not go out to fight in the heat.' Say: 'The Fire of Hell is much hotter, if they only understood.' (9:81)

Who is better: someone who finds his building on fear of Allah and His good pleasure, or someone who finds his building on the brink of a crumbling precipice so that it collapses with him into the Fire of Hell? Allah does not love wrongdoers. (9:109)

It is not right for the Prophet and those who believe to ask forgiveness for the idolaters—even if they are close relatives—after it has become clear

to them that they are the Companions of the Blazing Fire. (9:113)

Their shelter will be the Fire because of what they earned. (10:8)

But as for those who have earned bad actions—a bad action will be repaid with one the like of it. Debasement will darken them. They will have no one to protect them from Allah. It is as if their faces were covered by dark patches of the night.

Those are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (10:27)

But such people will have nothing in the hereafter but the Fire. What they achieved here will come to nothing. What they did will prove to be null and void. (11:16)

But as for those who have clear evidence from their Lord followed up by a witness from Him—and before it the Book of Musa came as a model and a mercy—such people believe in it. Any faction which rejects it is promised the Fire. Be in no doubt about it. It is the Truth from your Lord. But most people have no faith. (11:17)

He will go ahead of his people on the Day of Rising and lead them down into the Fire. What an evil watering-hole to be led to! (11:98)

As for those who are wretched, they will be in the Fire, where they will sigh and gasp. (11:106)

Do not rely on those who do wrong thus causing the Fire to afflict you, for you have no protector besides Allah; then you will not be helped. (11:113)

If you are surprised at their blindness, what could be more surprising than their words: ‘What, when we are turned to dust, shall we then be created all anew?’ These are the people who reject their Lord. Such people have iron collars round their necks. Such people are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (13:5)

He sends down water from the sky and river-beds fill up and flow according to their size, and the floodwater carries with it an increasing layer of scum; a similar kind of scum comes from what you heat up in the fire, when you desire to make jewellery or other things. That is how Allah depicts the true and the false. As for the scum, it is quickly swept away. But as for that which is of

use to people, it remains behind in the ground. That is a metaphor which Allah has made. (13:17)

What is the Garden promised to those who guard against evil like? It has rivers flowing under it and its foodstuffs and cool shade never fail. That is the final fate of those who guard against evil. But the final fate of the disbelievers is the Fire. (13:35)

They have made others equal to Allah to misguide people from His Way. Say: ‘Enjoy yourselves! Your destination is the Fire!’ (14:30)

That Day you will see the evildoers yoked together in chains, wearing shirts of tar, their faces enveloped in the Fire. (14:49-50)

We created the jinn before out of the fire of a searing wind. (15:27)

They allot to Allah what they themselves dislike and their tongues frame the lie that they will receive the Best. There is no doubt at all that they will receive the Fire and that they are people who go to excess. (16:62)

Say: ‘It is the truth from your Lord; so let whoever wishes believe and whoever wishes disbelieve.’ We have prepared for the wrongdoers a Fire whose billowing walls of smoke will hem them in. If they call for help, they will be helped with water like seething molten brass, frying their faces. What a noxious drink! What an evil repose! (18:29)

The evildoers will see the Fire and realise they are going to fall into it and find no way of escaping from it. (18:53)

(Dhu'l-Qarnayn said,) ‘Bring me ingots of iron!’ Then, when he had made it level between the two high mountain-sides, he said, ‘Blow!’ and when he had made it a red hot fire, he said, ‘Bring me molten brass to pour over it.’ (18:96)

When he (Musa) saw a fire and said to his family, ‘Wait here. I can make out a fire. Maybe I will bring you a brand from it, or will find guidance there.’ (20:10)

If those who disbelieve only knew of the time when they will not be able to keep the Fire away from their faces or their backs! And they will receive no help! (21:39)

We said, ‘Fire, be coolness and peace for

Ibrahim!' (21:69)

Here are two rival groups who disputed concerning their Lord. Those who disbelieve will have garments of fire cut out for them, and boiling water poured over their heads. (22:19)

But as for those who strive against My Signs and try to thwart them, they will be the Companions of the Blazing Fire. (22:51)

When Our Signs are recited to them—Clear Signs—you can detect denial in the faces of those who disbelieve. They all but assault those who recite Our Signs to them! Say: 'Shall I inform you of something worse than that? The Fire which Allah has promised those who disbelieve. What an evil destination!' (22:72)

The Fire will sear their faces, making them grimace horribly in it, their lips drawn back from their teeth. (23:104)

Allah is the Light of the heavens and the earth. The metaphor of His Light is that of a niche in which is a lamp, the lamp inside a glass, the glass like a brilliant star, lit from a blessed tree, an olive, neither of the east nor of the west, its oil all but giving off light even if no fire touches it. Light upon Light. Allah guides to His Light whoever He wills and Allah makes metaphors for mankind and Allah has knowledge of all things. (24:35)

Do not imagine that those who disbelieve are able to escape Allah on earth. Their shelter will be the Fire. What an evil destination! (24:57)

The Blazing Fire will be displayed to the misled. (26:91)

When Musa said to his people, 'I can make out a fire. I will bring you news from it or at least a burning brand so that hopefully you will be able to warm yourselves.' (27:7)

But when he reached it, a voice called out to him, 'Blessed be Him who is in the Fire and all who are around it. Glory be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds!' (27:8)

Those who perform bad actions will be flung head first into the Fire: 'Are you being repaid for anything other than what you did?' (27:90)

When Musa had fulfilled the appointed term and had set off with his family, he noticed a fire from one side of the Mount. He said to his family, 'Stay here, I can see a fire. Hopefully I will bring you

back some news from it or a burning branch from the fire so that you will be able to warm yourselves.' (28:29)

Pharaoh said, 'Council, I do not know of any other god for you apart from Me. Haman, kindle a fire for me over the clay and build me a lofty tower so that perhaps I may be able to climb up to Musa's god! I consider him a blatant liar.' (28:38)

We made them leaders, summoning to the Fire, and on the Day of Rising they will not be helped. (28:41)

The only answer of his people was to say: 'Kill him or burn him!' But Allah rescued him (Ibrahim) from the fire. There are certainly Signs in that for people who are believers. (29:24)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'You have adopted idols apart from Allah as tokens of mutual affection in this world. But then on the Day of Rising you will reject one another and curse one another. The Fire will be your shelter. You will have no helpers.' (29:25)

When they are told: 'Follow what Allah has sent down,' they say, 'No, we will follow what we found our fathers doing.' What! Even if Satan is calling them to the punishment of the Blazing Fire? (31:21)

But as for those who are deviators, their refuge is the Fire. Every time that they want to get out, they are put straight back into it again and they are told, 'Taste the punishment of the Fire, which you denied.' (32:20)

They will say on the Day their faces are rolled over in the Fire, 'If only we had obeyed Allah and obeyed the Messenger!' (33:66)

'Today you possess no power to help or harm one another.' And We will say to those who did wrong, 'Taste the punishment of the Fire which you denied.' (34:42)

Whereas for those who disbelieve there will be the Fire of Hell. They will not be killed off so that they die and its punishment will not be lightened for them. That is how We repay every thankless man. (35:36)

Say 'He Who made them in the first place will bring them back to life. He has total knowledge of each created thing; He Who produces fire for

you from green trees so that you use them to light your fires.' (36:79-80)

Assemble those who did wrong together with their associates and what they worshipped besides Allah, and guide them to the Path of the Blazing Fire! (37:22-23)

So he will look down and see him in the midst of the Blazing Fire. (37:55)

It (the tree of Zaqqum) is a tree that emerges in the depths of the Blazing Fire. (37:64)

Then their destination will be the Blazing Fire. (37:68)

You will entice no one to them except for him who is to roast in the Blazing Fire. (37:162-163)

We did not create heaven and earth and everything between them to no purpose. That is the opinion of those who disbelieve. Woe to those who disbelieve, because of the Fire! (38:27)

This! A crowd hurtling in with you. There is no welcome for them. They will certainly roast in the Fire. (38:59)

They will say, 'Our Lord, give him who brought this on us double the punishment in the Fire!' (38:61)

All this is certainly true—the bickering of the people of the Fire. (38:64)

He (Satan) said, 'I am better than him. You created me from fire but You created him from clay.' (38:76)

When harm touches man he calls upon his Lord, repenting to Him. Then when He grants him a blessing from Him, he forgets what he was calling for before and ascribes rivals to Allah, so as to misguide others from His Way. Say: 'Enjoy your disbelief for a little while. You are among the Companions of the Fire.' (39:8)

They will have awnings of Fire above them and awnings below them. By that Allah strikes fear into His servants: 'So have fear, My servants, of Me!' (39:16)

But as for those against whom the decree of Punishment is justly carried out, can you rescue those who are in the Fire? (39:19)

So your Lord's Words about those who disbelieve proved true, that they are indeed the Companions of the Fire. (40:6)

Those who bear the Throne, and all those around

it, glorify their Lord with praise and believe in Him and ask forgiveness for those who believe: 'Our Lord, You encompass everything in mercy and knowledge! Forgive those who turn to You and who follow Your Way and safeguard them from the punishment of the Blazing Fire.' (40:7) (The man who believed said,) 'My people! How is it that I call you to salvation while you call me to the Fire?' (40:41)

There is no question that what you call me to has no foundation either in this world or the hereafter, that our return is to Allah, and that the profigate will be Companions of the Fire. (40:43)

So Allah safeguarded him from the evil things they plotted and a most evil torment engulfed Pharaoh's people—the Fire, morning and night, to which they are exposed; and on the Day the Hour takes place: 'Admit Pharaoh's people to the harshest punishment!' (40:45-46)

When they are squabbling with one another in the Fire, the weak will say to those deemed great, 'We were your followers, so why do you not relieve us of a portion of the Fire?' (40:47)

Those in the Fire will say to the custodians of Hell, 'Call on your Lord to make the punishment less for us for just one day.' (40:49)

Those who deny the Book and that with which We sent Our Messengers will certainly come to know when they have shackles and chains around their necks and are dragged along the ground into the boiling water and then are thrown into the Fire! (40:70-72)

On the Day We crowd the enemies of Allah into the Fire and they are driven in close-packed ranks. (41:19)

If they are steadfast, the Fire will still be their residence! If they ask for favour, no favour will be given. (41:24)

That is the repayment of the enemies of Allah—the Fire. They will have it for their Eternal Home as repayment for their renunciation of Our Signs. (41:28)

Those who adulterate Our Signs are not concealed from Us. Who is better—someone who will be thrown into the fire or someone who will arrive in safety on the Day of Rising? Do what you like. He sees whatever you do. (41:40)

Accordingly We have revealed to you an Arabic Qur'an so that you may warn the Mother of Cities and those around it, and give warning of the Day of Gathering about which there is no doubt: one group in the Garden, the other in the Blazing Fire. (42:7)

(The Guard of Hell will be told,) 'Seize him and drag him bodily into the middle of the Blazing Fire.' (44:47)

They will not taste any death there—except for the first one. He will safeguard them from the punishment of the Blazing Fire. (44:56)

They will be told, 'Today We have forgotten you as you forgot the meeting of this your Day. Your refuge is the Fire and you have no helpers.' (45:34)

On the Day when those who disbelieved are exposed to the Fire: 'You dissipated the good things you had in your worldly life and enjoyed yourself in it. So today you are being repaid with the punishment of humiliation for being arrogant in the earth without any right and for being deviators.' (46:20)

On the Day when those who disbelieved are exposed to the Fire, they will be asked, 'Is this not the truth?' They will say, 'Yes, by our Lord.' He will say, 'Then taste the punishment for having disbelieved.' (46:34)

Allah will admit those who believe to Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Those who disbelieve have their enjoyment, eating as cattle eat, but the Fire will be their final residence. (47:12)

An image of the Garden which is promised to those who guard against evil: in it there are rivers of water which will never spoil and rivers of milk whose taste will never change and rivers of wine, delightful to all who drink it, and rivers of honey of undiluted purity; in it they will have fruit of every kind and forgiveness from their Lord. Is that like those who will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever, with boiling water to drink which lacerates their bowels? (47:15)

Whoever does not believe in Allah and His Messenger—We have prepared a Blazing Fire for the disbelievers. (48:13)

On the Day they are tormented by the Fire. (51:13)

The Day they are shoved roughly into the Fire of Hell: (the deniers will be told,) 'This is the Fire which you denied!' (52:13-14)

The people who guard against evil will be in Gardens of Delight, savouring what their Lord has given them. Their Lord will safeguard them from the punishment of the Blazing Fire. (52:17-18)

On the Day that they are dragged face-first into the Fire: 'Taste the scorching touch of Saqr!' (54:48)

And He created the jinn from a fusion of fire. (55:15)

They will go back and forth between fire and scalding water. (55:44)

Have you thought about the fire that you light? Is it you who make the trees that fuel it grow or are We the Grower? (56:71-72)

And if he is one of the misguided deniers, there is hospitality of scalding water and roasting in the Blazing Fire. (56:92-94)

(Believers will say to the hypocrites,) 'So today no ransom will be accepted from you or from those who disbelieved. Your refuge is the Fire. It is your master. What an evil destination!' (57:15)

Those who believe in Allah and His Messengers—such people are the truly sincere—and the martyrs who are with their Lord will receive their wages and their light. But those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs, will be Companions of the Blazing Fire. (57:19)

Neither their wealth nor their children will help them at all against Allah. Such people are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (58:17)

If Allah had not prescribed banishment for them, He would have punished them in this world. But in the hereafter they will have the punishment of the Fire. (59:3)

The final fate of both of them is that they will be timelessly, for ever in the Fire. That is the repayment of the wrongdoers. (59:17)

The Companions of the Fire and the Companions of the Garden are not the same. It is the Companions of the Garden who are the victors. (59:20)

But as for those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs they are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. What an evil

destination! (64:10)

You who believe! Safeguard yourselves and your families from a Fire whose fuel is people and stones. Harsh, terrible angels are in charge of it who do not disobey Allah in respect of any order He gives them and carry out what they are ordered to do. (66:6)

Allah has made an example for those who disbelieve: the wife of Nuh and the wife of Lut. They were married to two of Our servants who were righteous but they betrayed them and were not helped at all against Allah. They were told, 'Enter the Fire along with all who enter it.' (66:10) (The Guards of Hell will be told,) 'Then roast him in the Blazing Fire.' (69:31)

Because of their errors they were drowned and put into the Fire. They found no one to help them besides Allah. (71:25)

(Say: 'It has been revealed to me that a band of the jinn listened and said,) "The deviators will be firewood for Hellfire." (72:15)

Say: 'No one can protect me from Allah and I will never find any refuge apart from Him—only in transmitting from Allah and His Messages. As for him who disobeys Allah and His Messenger, he will have the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever and ever.' (72:22-23)

With Us there are shackles and a Blazing Fire. (73:12)

We have only appointed angels as masters of the Fire and We have only specified their number as a trial for those who disbelieve; so that those who were given the Book might gain in certainty, and those who believe might increase in their faith, and both those who were given the Book and the believers might have no doubt; and so that those with sickness in their hearts and the disbelievers might say, 'What did Allah intend by this example?' In this way Allah misguides those He wills and guides those He wills. No one knows the legions of your Lord but Him. This is nothing but a reminder to all human beings. (74:31)

And the Blazing Fire will be displayed for all who can see. (79:36)

The Blazing Fire will be his refuge. (79:39)

When the Fire is set ablaze. (81:12)

The dissolute will be in a Blazing Fire. (82:14)

Then they will roast in the Blazing Fire. (83:16) Cursed be the Companions of the Pit—the fire well stocked with fuel—when they were seated right beside it witnessing what they did to the believers. (85:4-7)

But the most miserable will shun it (the reminder), those who will roast in the Greatest Fire. (87:11-12)

Some faces on that Day will be downcast, labouring, toiling endlessly, roasting in a red-hot Fire. (88:2-4)

Above them is a sealed vault of Fire. (90:20)

I have warned you of a Fire which rages. (92:14) The People of the Book who disbelieve and the idolaters will be in the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. They are the worst of creatures. (98:6)

A raging Fire! (101:11)

You will certainly see the Blazing Fire! (102:6)

The kindled Fire of Allah reaching right into the heart. It is sealed in above them in towering columns. (104:6-9)

He (Abu Lahab) will burn in a Flaming Fire. And so will his wife, the firewood-carrier. (111:3-4)

## FIREWOOD

(Say: 'It has been revealed to me that a band of the jinn listened and said,) "the deviators will be firewood for Hellfire." (72:15)

Ruin to the hands of Abu Lahab and ruin to him! His wealth has not helped him nor anything he has earned. He will burn in a Flaming Fire. And so will his wife, the firewood-carrier, with a rope of twisted fibre round her neck. (111:1-5)

## FISH

Ask them about the town which was by the sea when they broke the Sabbath—when their fish came to them near the surface on their Sabbath day but did not come on the days which they did not keep the Sabbath. In this way We put them to the test because they were deviators. (7:163)

But when they reached their meeting-place, they forgot their fish which quickly burrowed its way into the sea. (18:61)

He (Musa's servant) said, 'Do you see what has happened? When we went to find shelter at the

rock, I forgot the fish. No one made me forget to remember it except Satan. It found its way into the sea in an amazing way.' (18:63)

Then the fish devoured him (Yunus) and he was to blame. (37:142)

So wait steadfastly for the judgement of your Lord. Do not be like the Companion of the Fish when he called out in absolute despair. (68:48)

### **FITNAH (SEE DISCORD)**

### **FITRAH (SEE ALLAH'S NATURAL PATTERN)**

### **FLAW**

He Who created the seven heavens in layers. You will not find any flaw in the creation of the All-Merciful. Look again—do you see any gaps? (67:3)

### **FLESH**

Their flesh and blood does not reach Allah but your heedfulness does reach Him. In this way He has subjected them to you so that you might proclaim Allah's greatness for the way that He has guided you. Give good news to the good-doers. (22:37)

You who believe! Avoid most suspicion. Indeed some suspicion is a crime. And do not spy and do not backbite one another. Would any of you like to eat his brother's dead flesh? No, you would hate it. And have fear of Allah. Allah is Ever-Returning, Most Merciful. (49:12)

### **FLOOD, THE (SEE NUH (AS))**

### **FLOODWATER**

He sends down water from the sky and river-beds fill up and flow according to their size, and the floodwater carries with it an increasing layer of scum; a similar kind of scum comes from what you heat up in the fire, when you desire to make jewellery or other things. That is how Allah depicts the true and the false. As for the scum, it is quickly swept away. But as for that which is of use to people, it remains behind in the ground. That is a metaphor which Allah has made. (13:17)

But they turned away so We unleashed against them the flood from the great dam and exchanged their two gardens for two others containing bitter-tasting plants and tamarisk and a few lotus trees. (34:16)

### **FLY**

Mankind! An example has been made, so listen to it carefully. Those whom you call upon besides Allah are not even able to create a single fly, even if they were to join together to do it. And if a fly steals something from them, they cannot get it back. How feeble are both the seeker and the sought! (22:73)

### **FOOD**

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces—its green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,' he said, 'Do you want to replace what is better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.' Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon themselves. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

Or (what about) the one who passed by a town which had fallen into ruin? He asked, 'How can Allah restore this to life when it has died?' Allah caused him to die a hundred years then brought him back to life. Then He asked, 'How long have you been here?' He replied, 'I have been here a day or part of a day.' He said, 'Not so! You have been here a hundred years. Look at your food and drink—it has not gone bad—and look at your donkey so We can make you a Sign for all mankind. Look at the bones—how We raise them up and clothe them in flesh.' When it had become clear to him, he said, 'Now I know that Allah has power over all things.' (2:259)

Her Lord accepted her with approval and made her grow in health and beauty. And Zakariyya became her guardian. Every time Zakariyya visited her in the Upper Room, he found food with

her. He said, ‘Maryam, how did you come by this?’ She said, ‘It is from Allah. Allah provides for whoever He wills without any reckoning.’ (3:37) All food was lawful for the tribe of Israel except what Israel made unlawful for himself before the Torah was sent down. Say, ‘Bring the Torah and read it out if you are telling the truth.’ (3:93) Today all good things have been made lawful for you. And the food of those given the Book is also lawful for you and your food is lawful for them. So are chaste women from among the believers and chaste women of those given the Book before you, once you have given them their dowries in marriage, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. But as for anyone who rejects faith, his actions will come to nothing and in the hereafter he will be among the losers. (5:5)

The Messiah, the son of Maryam, was only a Messenger, before whom other Messengers came and went. His mother was a woman of truth. Both of them ate food. See how We make the Signs clear to them! Then see how they are perverted! (5:75)

Anything you catch in the sea is lawful for you, and all food from it, for your enjoyment and that of travellers, but land game is forbidden for you while you are in the state of pilgrimage. So have fear of Allah, Him to Whom you will be gathered. (5:96)

Say: ‘I do not find, in what has been revealed to me, any food it is forbidden to eat except for carrion, flowing blood, and pork—for that is unclean—or some deviance consecrated to other than Allah. But if anyone is forced to eat it, without desiring to or going to excess in it, your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.’ (6:145)

Then when they (Yusuf’s brothers) opened up their saddlebags and found their merchandise returned to them, they said, ‘Our father! What more could we ask! Here is our merchandise returned to us. We can provide our families with food, and guard our brother and get an extra load. That is an easy measure to obtain.’ (12:65) That was the situation when we woke them up so they could question one another. One of them asked, ‘How long have you been here?’ They replied, ‘We have been here for a day or part of a

day.’ They said, ‘Your Lord knows best how long you have been here. Send one of your number into the city with this silver you have, so he can see which food is purest and bring you some of it to eat. But he should go about with caution so that no one is aware of you.’ (18:19)

So they went on until they reached the inhabitants of a town. They asked them for food but they refused them hospitality. They found there a wall about to fall down and he built it up. Musa said, ‘If you had wanted, you could have taken a wage for doing that.’ (18:77)

We did not give them bodies which did not eat food, nor were they immortal. (21:8)

They say, ‘What is the matter with this Messenger, that he eats food and walks in the market-place? Why has an angel not been sent down to him so that it can be a warner along with him? Why has treasure not been showered down on him? Why does he not have a garden to give him food?’ The wrongdoers say, ‘You are merely following a man who is bewitched.’ (25:7-8)

We never sent any Messengers before you who did not eat food and walk in the market-place. But We have made some of you a trial for others to see if you will be steadfast. Your Lord sees everything. (25:20)

You who believe! Do not go into the Prophet’s rooms except when you are invited to come and eat. Do not wait there while the food is being cooked. However, when you are called, go in, and when you have eaten, disperse, not remaining there to chat with one another. Doing that causes annoyance to the Prophet though he is too reticent to tell you so. But Allah is not reticent with the truth. When you ask his wives for something, ask them from behind a screen. That is purer for your hearts and their hearts. It is not right for you to cause annoyance to the Messenger of Allah or ever to marry his wives after him. To do that would be a dreadful thing in Allah’s sight. (33:53)

The Tree of az-Zaqqum is the food of the wicked. (44:43-44)

‘Therefore here today he has no friend nor any food except exuding pus which no one will eat

except those who were in error.' (69:35-37)  
With Us there are shackles and a Blazing Fire and food that chokes and a painful punishment. (73:12-13)

They give food, despite their love for it, to the poor and orphans and captives. (76:8)  
They have no food but a bitter thorny bush which neither nourishes nor satisfies. (88:6-7)

## FOODSTUFFS

What is the Garden promised to those who guard against evil like? It has rivers flowing under it and its foodstuffs and cool shade never fail. That is the final fate of those who guard against evil. But the final fate of the disbelievers is the Fire. (13:35)

## FOOL

When they are told, 'Believe in the way that the people believe,' they say, 'What! Are we to believe in the way that fools believe?' No indeed! They are the fools, but they do not know it. (2:13) Who would deliberately renounce the religion of Ibrahim except someone who reveals himself to be a fool? We chose him in this world and in the hereafter he will be one of the righteous. (2:130) The fools among the people will ask, 'What has made them turn round from the direction they used to face?' Say, 'Both East and West belong to Allah. He guides whoever He wills to a straight path.' (2:142)

The ruling circle of those of his people who disbelieved said, 'We consider you a fool and think you are a liar.' He (Hud) said, 'My people, I am by no means a fool, but rather am a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds.' (7:66-67)

Musa chose seventy men from his people for Our appointed time and when the earthquake seized them he said, 'My Lord, if You had willed, You could have destroyed them previously and me as well. Would you destroy us for what the fools among us did? It was only a trial from You by which You misguided those You willed and guided those You willed. You are our Protector so forgive us and have mercy on us. You are the Best of Forgivers.' (7:155)

(Say: 'It has been revealed to me that a band of

the jinn listened and said,) "The fools among us have uttered a vile slander against Allah." (72:4)

## FOOTSTEP

Mankind! Eat what is good and lawful on the earth. And do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He truly is an outright enemy to you. (2:168)  
You who believe! Enter Islam totally. Do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He is an outright enemy to you. (2:208)

And We sent 'Isa son of Maryam following in their footsteps, confirming the Torah that came before him. We gave him the Gospel containing guidance and light, confirming the Torah that came before it, and as guidance and admonition for those who guard against evil. (5:46)

And also animals for riding and for haulage and animals for slaughtering and for wool. Eat what Allah has provided for you and do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He is an outright enemy to you. (6:142)

He (Musa) said, 'That is the very thing that we were looking for!' So, following their footsteps, they retraced their route. (18:64)

You who believe! Do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. Anyone who follows in Satan's footsteps should know that he commands indecency and wrongdoing. Were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, not one of you would ever have been purified. But Allah purifies whoever He wills. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (24:21)

No, in fact they say, 'We found our fathers following a religion and we are simply guided in their footsteps.' (43:22)

Similarly We never sent any warner before you to any city without the affluent among them saying, 'We found our fathers following a religion and we are simply following in their footsteps.' (43:23)

Then We sent Our Messengers following in their footsteps and sent 'Isa son of Maryam after them, giving him the Gospel. We put compassion and mercy in the hearts of those who followed him. They invented monasticism—We did not prescribe it for them—purely out of desire to gain the pleasure of Allah, but even so they did not ob-

serve it as it should have been observed. To those of them who believed We gave their reward but many of them are deviators. (57:27)

### **FORBIDDEN (HARAM)**

Then you are the people who are killing one another and expelling a group among you from their homes, ganging up against them in wrongdoing and enmity. Yet if they are brought to you as captives, you ransom them, when it was forbidden for you to expel them in the first place! Do you, then, believe in one part of the Book and reject the other? What repayment will there be for any of you who do that except disgrace in this world? And on the Day of Rising, they will be returned to the harshest of punishments. Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:85)

He has only forbidden you carrion, blood and pork and what has been consecrated to other than Allah. But anyone who is forced to eat it—without desiring it or going to excess in it—commits no crime. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:173)

Those who practise usury will not rise from the grave except as someone driven mad by Satan's touch. That is because they say, 'Trade is the same as usury.' But Allah has permitted trade and He has forbidden usury. Whoever is given a warning by his Lord and then desists, can keep what he received in the past and his affair is Allah's concern. But all who return to it will be the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:275)

'Isa will say,) 'I come confirming the Torah I find already there, and to make lawful for you some of what was previously forbidden to you. I have brought you a Sign from your Lord. So have fear of Allah and obey me.' (3:50)

Forbidden for you are: your mothers and your daughters and your sisters, your maternal aunts and your paternal aunts, your brothers' daughters and your sisters' daughters, your foster mothers who have suckled you, your foster sisters by suckling, your wives' mothers, your stepdaughters who are under your protection: the daughters of your wives whom you have had sexual relations with (though if you have not had sexual

relations with them there is nothing blameworthy for you in it then), the wives of your sons whom you have fathered, and marrying two sisters at the same time—except for what may have already taken place. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:23)

If you avoid the serious wrong actions you have been forbidden, We will erase your bad actions from you and admit you by a Gate of Honour. (4:31)

Because of wrongdoing on the part of the Jews, We made forbidden for them some good things which had previously been lawful for them; and because of their obstructing many people from the Way of Allah, and because of their practising usury when they were forbidden to do it, and because of their consuming people's wealth by wrongful means, We have prepared for the disbelievers among them a painful punishment. (4:160-161)

Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and animals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviance. Today those who disbelieve have despaired of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3)

He said (to Musa), 'The land will be forbidden to them (the Tribe of Israel) for forty years during which they will wander aimlessly about the earth. Do not waste grief on this deviant people.' (5:26)

Those who say that the Messiah, son of Maryam, is Allah are disbelievers. The Messiah said, 'Tribe of Israel! Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord. If anyone associates anything with Allah, Allah

has forbidden him the Garden and his refuge will be the Fire.' The wrongdoers will have no helpers. (5:72)

You who believe! Do not make forbidden the good things Allah has made lawful for you, and do not overstep the limits. Allah does not love people who overstep the limits. (5:87)

Anything you catch in the sea is lawful for you, and all food from it, for your enjoyment and that of travellers, but land game is forbidden for you while you are in the state of pilgrimage. So have fear of Allah, Him to Whom you will be gathered. (5:96)

No, it is simply that what they were concealing before has been shown to them; and if they were sent back they would merely return to what they were forbidden to do. Truly they are liars. (6:28) Say: 'I am forbidden to worship those you call upon besides Allah.' Say: 'I do not follow your whims and desires. If I did I would go astray and not be among the guided.' (6:56)

What is the matter with you that you do not eat that over which the name of Allah has been mentioned, when He has made clear to you what He has made forbidden for you except when you are forced to eat it? Many people lead others astray through their whims and desires without having any knowledge. Your Lord knows best those who overstep the limits. (6:119)

They say, 'These animals and crops are sacrosanct. No one may eat them except those we wish',—as they allege—and animals on whose backs it is forbidden to ride, and animals over which they do not mention Allah's name, inventing falsehood against Him. He will repay them for the things they have invented. (6:138)

They say, 'What is in the wombs of these animals is exclusively for our men and forbidden for our wives. But if it is stillborn, they can share in it.' He will repay them for their false depiction. He is All-Wise, All-Knowing. (6:139)

Those who kill their children foolishly without any knowledge and make what Allah has provided for them forbidden, inventing lies against Allah, such people are lost. They are misguided. They are not guided. (6:140)

There are eight in pairs: A pair of sheep and a

pair of goats—Say: 'Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Tell me with knowledge if you are being truthful.' (6:143) And a pair of camels and a pair of cattle—Say: 'Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Were you then witnesses when Allah gave you this instruction?' Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah thus leading people astray without any knowledge? Allah does not guide the people of the wrongdoers. (6:144)

Say: 'I do not find, in what has been revealed to me, any food it is forbidden to eat except for carrion, flowing blood, and pork—for that is unclean—or some deviance consecrated to other than Allah. But if anyone is forced to eat it, without desiring to or going to excess in it, your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (6:145)

We made forbidden for the Jews every animal with an undivided hoof, and in respect of cattle and sheep, We made their fat forbidden for them, except what is attached to their backs or guts or mixed up with bone. That is how We repaid them for their insolence. And We certainly speak the truth. (6:146)

Those who associate others with Allah will say, 'If Allah had willed we would not have associated anything with Him, nor would our fathers; nor would we have made anything forbidden.' In the same way the people before them also lied until they felt Our violent force. Say: 'Do you have some knowledge you can produce for us? You are following nothing but conjecture. You are only guessing.' (6:148)

Say: 'Produce your witnesses to testify that Allah made this forbidden.' If they do testify, do not testify with them and do not follow the whims and desires of people who deny Our Signs, and who do not believe in the hereafter and make others equal to their Lord. (6:150)

Say: 'Come and I will recite to you what your Lord has made forbidden for you': that you do not associate anything with Him; that you are good to your parents; that you do not kill your children because of poverty—We will provide for

you and them; that you do not approach indecency—outward or inward; that you do not kill any person Allah has made inviolate—except with the right to do so. That is what He instructs you to do so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (6:151)

Then Satan whispered to them, disclosing to them their private parts that had been concealed from them. He said, ‘Your Lord has only forbidden you this tree lest you become angels or among those who live for ever.’ (7:20)

Say: ‘Who has forbidden the fine clothing Allah has produced for His servants and the good kinds of provision?’ Say: ‘On the Day of Rising such things will be exclusively for those who believed during their life in this world.’ In this way We make the Signs clear for people who know. (7:32)

Say: ‘My Lord has forbidden indecency, both open and hidden, and wrong action, and unrightful tyranny, and associating anything with Allah for which He has sent down no authority, and saying things about Allah you do not know.’ (7:33)

The Companions of the Fire will call out to the Companions of the Garden, ‘Throw down some water to us or some of what Allah has given you as provision.’ They will say, ‘Allah has forbidden them to the disbelievers.’ (7:50)

(Allah said,) ‘Those who follow the Messenger, the Ummi, whom they find written down with them in the Torah and the Gospel, commanding them to do right and forbidding them to do wrong, making good things lawful for them and bad things forbidden for them, relieving them of their heavy loads and the chains which were around them. Those who believe in him and honour him and help him, and follow the Light that has been sent down with him, they are the ones who are successful.’ (7:157)

Then when they forgot what they had been reminded of, We rescued those who had forbidden the evil and seized those who did wrong with a harsh punishment because they were deviators. (7:165)

When they were insolent about what they had been forbidden to do, We said to them, ‘Be apes,

despised, cast out!’ (7:166)

Fight those of the people who were given the Book who do not believe in Allah and the Last Day and who do not make forbidden what Allah and His Messenger have made forbidden and do not take as their religion the religion of Truth, until they pay the poll tax with their own hands in a state of complete abasement. (9:29)

There have been twelve months with Allah in the Book of Allah, from the day He first created the heavens and earth. Four of them are forbidden. That is the True Religion. So do not wrong one another during them. However, fight the idolaters totally just as they fight you totally, and know that Allah is with those who guard against evil. (9:36)

Say: ‘What do you think about the things Allah has sent down to you as provision which you have then designated as lawful and forbidden?’ Say: ‘Has Allah given you authority to do this or are you inventing lies against Allah?’ (10:59)

He (Shu’ayb) said, ‘My people! What do you think? If I do possess a Clear Sign from my Lord and He has given me His good provision, I would clearly not want to go behind your backs and do something I have forbidden you to do. I only want to put things right as far as I can. My success is with Allah alone. I have put my trust in Him and I turn to Him.’ (11:88)

The idolaters say, ‘If Allah had willed we would not have worshipped anything apart from Him, neither we nor our fathers, nor would we have forbidden anything without His say.’ Those before them said the same. Are the Messengers responsible for anything but clear transmission? (16:35)

He has forbidden you carrion, blood and pork and anything consecrated to other than Allah. But if someone is forced to eat it, without desiring to or going to excess in it, your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (16:115)

Do not say about what your lying tongues describe: ‘This is lawful and this is forbidden,’ inventing lies against Allah. Those who invent lies against Allah are not successful. (16:116)

A man who has fornicated may only marry a woman who has fornicated or a woman of the

idolaters. A woman who has fornicated may only marry a man who has fornicated or a man of the idolaters. Doing such a thing is forbidden for the believers. (24:3)

'I was forbidden to worship those you call upon besides Allah when the Clear Signs came to me from my Lord and I was commanded to submit to the Lord of all the worlds.' (40:66)

Do you not see those who were forbidden to confer together secretly returning to the very thing they were forbidden to do, and conferring together secretly in wrongdoing and enmity and disobedience to the Messenger? And when they come to you they greet you with words Allah has never used in greeting you, and say to themselves 'Why does Allah not punish us for what we say?' Hell will be enough for them! They will roast in it. What an evil destination! (58:8)  
O Prophet! Why do you make forbidden what Allah has made lawful for you, seeking to please your wives? Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (66:1)

### **FOREHEAD**

You who believe! Many of the rabbis and monks devour people's property under false pretences and bar people from access to the Way of Allah. As for those who hoard up gold and silver and do not spend it in the Way of Allah, give them the news of a painful punishment on the Day it is heated up in the fire of Hell and their foreheads, sides and backs are branded with it: 'This is what you hoarded for yourselves, so taste what you were hoarding!' (9:34-35)

### **FORELOCK**

(Hud said,) 'I have put my trust in Allah, my Lord and your Lord. There is no creature He does not hold by the forelock. My Lord is on a Straight Path.' (11:56)

The evildoers will be recognised by their mark and seized by their forelocks and their feet. (55:41)

No indeed! If he does not desist, We will grab him by the forelock, a lying, sinful forelock. (96:15-16)

### **FORGIVENESS**

Then We pardoned you after that so that perhaps you would show thanks. (2:52)

Remember when We said, 'Go into this town and eat from it wherever you like, freely. Enter the gate prostrating and say, "Relieve us of our burdens!" Your mistakes will be forgiven. We will grant increase to all good-doers.' (2:58)

Many of the People of the Book would love it if they could turn you back to disbelief after you have become believers, showing their innate envy now that the truth is clear to them. But you should pardon and overlook until Allah gives His command. Truly Allah has power over all things. (2:109)

Those are the ones who have sold guidance for misguidance and forgiveness for punishment. How steadfastly they will endure the Fire! (2:175)

On the night of the fast it is lawful for you to have sexual relations with your wives. They are clothing for you and you for them. Allah knows that you have been betraying yourselves and He has turned towards you and excused you. Now you may have sexual intercourse with them and seek what Allah has written for you. Eat and drink until you can clearly discern the white thread from the black thread of the dawn, then fulfil the fast until the night appears. But do not have sexual intercourse with them while you are in retreat in the mosques. These are Allah's limits, so do not go near them. In this way does Allah make His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (2:187)

Then press on from where the people press on and ask Allah's forgiveness. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:199)

Those who believe and migrate and strive in the Way of Allah can expect Allah's mercy. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:218)

Do not marry women of the idolaters until they believe. A slavegirl who is one of the believers is better for you than a woman of the idolaters, even though she may attract you. And do not marry men of the idolaters until they believe. A slave who is one of the believers is better for you than a man of the idolaters, even though he may

attract you. Such people call you to the Fire whereas Allah calls you, with His permission, to the Garden and forgiveness. He makes His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will pay heed. (2:221)

Allah will not take you to task for inadvertent statements in your oaths, but He will take you to task for the intention your hearts have made. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (2:225) Those who swear to abstain from sexual relations with their wives can wait for a period of up to four months. If they then retract their oath, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:226)

Nor is there anything wrong in any allusion to marriage you make to a woman, nor for any you keep to yourself. Allah knows that you will say things to them. But do not make secret arrangements with them, rather only speak with correctness and courtesy. Do not finally decide on the marriage contract until the prescribed period has come to its end. Know that Allah knows what is in your selves, so beware of Him! And know that Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (2:235) Correct and courteous words accompanied by forgiveness are better than charity followed by insulting words. Allah is Rich Beyond Need, All-Forbearing. (2:263)

Satan promises you poverty and commands you to avarice. Allah promises you forgiveness from Him and abundance. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing. (2:268)

Everything in the heavens and everything in the earth belongs to Allah. Whether you divulge what is in yourselves or keep it hidden, Allah will still call you to account for it. He forgives whoever He wills and He punishes whoever He wills. Allah has power over all things. (2:284)

The Messenger believes in what has been sent down to him from his Lord, and so do the believers. Each one believes in Allah and His angels and His Books and His Messengers. We do not differentiate between any of His Messengers. They say, 'We hear and we obey. Forgive us, our Lord! You are our journey's end.' (2:285) Allah does not impose on any self any more than it can stand. For it is what it has earned; against it, what it has brought upon itself. 'Our Lord, do

not take us to task if we forget or make a mistake! Our Lord, do not place on us a load like the one You placed on those before us! Our Lord, do not place on us a load we have not the strength to bear! And pardon us; and forgive us; and have mercy on us. You are our Master, so help us against the people of the disbelievers.' (2:286) (His servants are) those who say, 'Our Lord, we believe, so forgive us our wrong actions and safeguard us from the punishment of the Fire.' (3:16) The steadfast, the truthful, the obedient, the givers, and those who seek forgiveness before dawn. (3:17)

Say, 'If you love Allah, then follow me and Allah will love you and forgive you for your wrong actions. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (3:31)

Except for those who, after that, repent and put things right. Truly Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (3:89)

Everything in the heavens and everything in the earth belongs to Allah. He forgives whoever He wills and punishes whoever He wills. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (3:129)

Race each other to forgiveness from your Lord and a Garden as wide as the heavens and the earth, prepared for the people who guard against evil. (3:133)

(Believers are) those who give in times of both ease and hardship, those who control their rage and pardon other people—Allah loves the good-doers—those who, when they act indecently or wrong themselves, remember Allah and ask for forgiveness for their bad actions (and who can forgive bad actions except Allah?) and do not knowingly persist in what they were doing. (3:134-135)

Their recompense is forgiveness from their Lord, and Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. How excellent is the reward of those who act! (3:136)

All they said was, 'Our Lord, forgive us our wrong actions and any excesses we went to in what we did and make our feet firm and help us against these disbelieving people.' (3:147)

Allah fulfilled His promise to you when you were slaughtering them by His permission. But then

you faltered, disputing the command, and disobeyed after He showed you what you love. Among you are those who want this world and among you are those who want the hereafter. Then He turned you from them in order to test you—but He has pardoned you. Allah shows favour to the believers. (3:152)

Those of you who turned their backs on the day the two armies clashed—it was Satan who made them slip for what they had done. But Allah has pardoned them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (3:155)

If you are killed in the Way of Allah or if you die, forgiveness and mercy from Allah are better than anything you can acquire. (3:157)

It is a mercy from Allah that you were gentle with them. If you had been rough or hard of heart, they would have scattered from around you. So pardon them and ask forgiveness for them, and consult with them about the matter. Then when you have reached a firm decision, put your trust in Allah. Allah loves those who put their trust in Him. (3:159)

(Believers say), 'Our Lord, we heard a caller calling us to faith: "Believe in your Lord!" and we believed. Our Lord, forgive us our wrong actions, erase our bad actions from us and take us back to You with those who are truly good.' (3:193)

Forbidden for you are: your mothers and your daughters and your sisters, your maternal aunts and your paternal aunts, your brothers' daughters and your sisters' daughters, your foster mothers who have suckled you, your foster sisters by suckling, your wives' mothers, your stepdaughters who are under your protection: the daughters of your wives whom you have had sexual relations with (though if you have not had sexual relations with them there is nothing blameworthy for you in it then), the wives of your sons whom you have fathered, and marrying two sisters at the same time—except for what may have already taken place. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:23)

If any of you do not have the means to marry free women who are believers, you may marry slave-girls who are believers. Allah knows best about your faith; you are all the same in that respect.

Marry them with their owners' permission and give them their dowries correctly and courteously as married women, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. When they are married, if they commit fornication they should receive half the punishment of free women. This is for those of you who are afraid of committing fornication. But being patient is better for you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:25)

You who believe! Do not approach the prayer when you are drunk, so that you will know what you are saying, nor in a state of major impurity—unless you are travelling—until you have washed yourselves completely. If you are ill or on a journey, or any of you have come from the lavatory or touched women, and you cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, wiping your faces and your hands. Allah is Ever-Pardoning, Ever-Forgiving. (4:43)

Allah does not forgive anything being associated with Him but He forgives whoever He wills for anything other than that. Anyone who associates something with Allah has committed a terrible crime. (4:48)

We sent no Messenger except to be obeyed by Allah's permission. If only when they wronged themselves they had come to you and asked Allah's forgiveness and the Messenger had asked forgiveness for them they would have found Allah Ever-Returning, Most Merciful. (4:64)

(Allah has preferred those who strive over those who stay behind by an immense reward:) high ranks conferred by Him as well as forgiveness and mercy. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:96)

It may well be that Allah will pardon them. Allah is Ever-Pardoning, Ever-Forgiving. (4:99)

Those who migrate in the Way of Allah will find many places of refuge on the earth and ample sustenance. If anyone leaves his home, migrating to Allah and His Messenger, and death catches up with him, it is Allah Who will reward him. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:100)

And ask Allah's forgiveness. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:106)

Anyone who does evil or wrongs himself and then asks Allah's forgiveness will find Allah Ever-

**Forgiving, Most Merciful.** (4:110)

Allah does not forgive anything being associated with Him but He forgives whoever He wills for anything other than that. Anyone who associates something with Allah has gone very far astray. (4:116)

You will not be able to be completely fair between your wives, however hard you try. But do not be completely partial so as to leave a wife, as it were, suspended in mid-air. And if you make amends and guard against evil, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:129)

As for those who believe and then return to disbelief, and then again believe and then return to disbelief, and then increase in disbelief, Allah will not forgive them or guide them on any path. (4:137)

Whether you reveal a good act or keep it hidden, or pardon an evil act, Allah is Ever-Pardoning, All-Powerful. (4:149)

Those who believe in Allah and His Messengers and do not differentiate between any of them, We will pay them their wages. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:152)

The People of the Book will ask you to bring down a Book from heaven to them. They asked Musa for even more than that. They said, 'Let us see Allah with our own eyes.' So the lightning-bolt struck them down for their wrongdoing. Then they adopted the Calf after the Clear Signs had come to them, but We pardoned them for that and gave Musa clear authority. (4:153)

Allah will not forgive those who disbelieve and do wrong or guide them on any path. (4:168)

Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and animals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviance. Today those who disbelieve have despaired of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I

have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3)

Allah has promised those who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (5:9)

But because of their breaking of their covenant, We have cursed them and made their hearts hard. They distort the true meaning of words and have forgotten a good portion of what they were reminded of. You will never cease to come upon some act of treachery on their part, except for a few of them. Yet pardon them, and overlook. Allah loves good-doers. (5:13)

The Jews and Christians say, 'We are Allah's children and His loved ones.' Say: 'Why, then, does He punish you for your wrong actions? No, you are merely human beings among those He has created. He forgives whoever He wills and He punishes whoever He wills. The kingdom of the heavens and the earth and everything between them belongs to Allah. He is our final destination.' (5:18)

But if anyone repents after his wrongdoing and puts things right, Allah will turn towards him. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:39)

Do you not know that the kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs to Allah? He punishes whoever He wills and forgives whoever He wills. Allah has power over all things. (5:40)

Why do they not turn to Allah and ask for His forgiveness? Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:74)

You who believe! Do not kill game while you are in the state of pilgrimage. If one of you kills any deliberately, the reprisal for it is a livestock animal equivalent to what he killed, as judged by two just men among you, a sacrifice to reach the Kaaba, or expiation by feeding the poor, or fasting commensurate with that, so that he may taste the evil consequences of what he did. Allah has pardoned all that took place in the past; but if anyone does it again Allah will take revenge on him. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (5:95)

Know that Allah is fierce in retribution and that Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:98)  
You who believe! Do not ask about matters which, if they were made known to you, would make things difficult for you. If you do ask about them when the Qur'an is being sent down, they will be made known to you. Allah has ignored them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (5:101)

(Isa said,) 'If You punish them, they are Your servants. If you forgive them, You are the Almighty, the All-Wise.' (5:118)

When those who believe in Our Signs come to you, say, 'Peace be upon you!' Allah has made mercy incumbent on Himself. If anyone among you does evil out of ignorance and then afterwards repents and puts things right, He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (6:54)

Say: 'I do not find, in what has been revealed to me, any food it is forbidden to eat except for carrion, flowing blood, and pork—for that is unclean—or some deviance consecrated to other than Allah. But if anyone is forced to eat it, without desiring to or going to excess in it, your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (6:145)

It is He Who appointed you successors on the earth and raised some of you above others in rank so He could test you regarding what He has given you. Your Lord is Swift in Retribution; and He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (6:165)

They said, 'Our Lord, we have wronged ourselves. If you do not forgive us and have mercy on us, we will be among the lost.' (7:23)

When they took full stock of what they had done and saw they had been misled, they said, 'If our Lord does not have mercy on us and forgive us, we will certainly be among the lost.' (7:149)

But as for those who do evil actions and then subsequently repent and believe, in that case your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (7:153)

Musa chose seventy men from his people for Our appointed time and when the earthquake seized them he said, 'My Lord, if You had willed, You could have destroyed them previously and me as well. Would you destroy us for what the fools among us did? It was only a trial from You by which You misguided those You willed and guided

those You willed. You are our Protector so forgive us and have mercy on us. You are the Best of Forgivers.' (7:155)

When they were told: 'Live in this town and eat of it wherever you like and say, "Relieve us of our burdens!" and enter the gate prostrating. Your mistakes will be forgiven you. We will grant increase to good-doers.' (7:161)

Then your Lord announced that He would send against them until the Day of Rising people who would inflict an evil punishment on them. Your Lord is Swift in Retribution. And He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (7:167)

An evil generation has succeeded them, inheriting the Book, taking the goods of this lower world, and saying, 'We will be forgiven.' But if similar goods come to them again they still take them. Has not a covenant been made with them in the Book, that they should only say the truth about Allah and have they not studied what is in it? The Final Abode is better for those who guard against evil. Will you not use your intellect? (7:169)

They are in truth the believers. They have high ranks with their Lord and forgiveness and generous provision. (8:4)

You who believe! If you have fear of Allah, He will give you discrimination and erase your bad actions from you and forgive you. Allah's favour is indeed immense. (8:29)

Allah would not punish them while you were among them. Allah would not punish them as long as they sought forgiveness. (8:33)

Say to those who disbelieve that if they stop, they will be forgiven what is past; but if they return to it, they have the pattern of previous peoples in the past. (8:38)

So make full use of any booty you have taken which is lawful and good; and have fear of Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (8:69)

O Prophet! Say to those you are holding prisoner, 'If Allah knows of any good in your hearts, He will give you something better than what has been taken from you and forgive you.' Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (8:70)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived in the Way of Allah and those who have given refuge and help, they are the true believers. They

will have forgiveness and generous provision. (8:74)

Then, when the sacred months are over, kill the idolaters wherever you find them, and seize them and besiege them and lie in wait for them on every road. If they repent and perform prayer and give the alms, let them go on their way. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:5)

Then after that Allah will turn to anyone He wills. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:27) Allah pardon you! Why did you excuse them until it was clear to you which of them were telling the truth and until you knew the liars? (9:43)

(Say to the hypocrites:) ‘Do not try to excuse yourselves. You have disbelieved after believing. If one group of you is pardoned, another group will be punished for being evildoers.’ (9:66)

You can ask forgiveness for them, or not ask forgiveness for them. Even if you asked forgiveness for them seventy times, Allah still would not forgive them. That is because they have rejected Allah and His Messenger. Allah does not guide deviant people. (9:80)

Nothing is held against the weak and sick nor against those who find nothing to spend, provided they are true to Allah and His Messenger—there is no way open against good-doers, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:91)

But others have acknowledged their wrong actions and mixed a right action with another which is wrong. It may well be that Allah will turn towards them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:102)

It is not right for the Prophet and those who believe to ask forgiveness for the idolaters—even if they are close relatives—after it has become clear to them that they are the Companions of the Blazing Fire. (9:113)

Ibrahim would not have asked forgiveness for his father but for a promise he made to him, and when it became clear to him that he was an enemy of Allah, he renounced him. Ibrahim was tender-hearted and forbearing. (9:114)

If Allah afflicts you with harm, no one can remove it except Him. If He desires good for you,

no one can avert His favour. He bestows it on whichever of His servants He wills. He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (10:107)

‘Ask your Lord for forgiveness and then repent to Him. He will let you enjoy a good life until a specified time, and will give His favour to all who merit it. But if you turn your backs, I fear for you the punishment of a Mighty Day.’ (11:3)

Except for those who are steadfast and do right actions. They will receive forgiveness and a large reward. (11:11)

He (Nuh) said, ‘Embark in it. In the name of Allah be its voyage and its landing! Truly my Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.’ (11:41)

(Hud said,) ‘My people! Ask forgiveness of your Lord and then repent to Him. He will send heaven down to you in abundant rain, and increase you with strength upon strength. Do not turn away as evildoers.’ (11:52)

To Thamud We sent their brother Salih. He said, ‘My people, worship Allah! You have no god apart from Him. He brought you into being from the earth and made you its inhabitants. So ask His forgiveness and then repent to Him. My Lord is Close and Quick to Respond.’ (11:61)

(Shu’ayb said,) ‘Ask your Lord for forgiveness and then repent to Him. My Lord is Most Merciful, Most Loving.’ (11:90)

(The governor said,) ‘Yusuf, ignore all this, and you, my wife, should ask forgiveness for your evil act. There is no doubt that you are in the wrong.’ (12:29)

He (Yusuf) said (to his brothers), ‘No blame at all will fall on you. Today you have forgiveness from Allah. He is the Most Merciful of the merciful.’ (12:92)

They (Yusuf’s brothers) said, ‘Our father, may we be forgiven for all the many wrongs that we have done. We were indeed greatly mistaken men.’ (12:97)

He (Ya’qub) said, ‘I will ask my Lord to pardon you. He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.’ (12:98)

They want you to hasten the bad rather than the good when examples of punishment are there before them in the past. Your Lord has forgiveness for people for their wrongdoing; but your Lord is also severe in retribution. (13:6)

Their Messengers said, 'Is there any doubt about Allah, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and the earth? He summons you to forgive you for your wrong actions and to defer you until a specified time.' They said, 'You are nothing but human beings like ourselves who want to debar us from what our fathers worshipped; so bring us a clear authority.' (14:10)

(Ibrahim said,) 'My Lord! They have misguided many of mankind. If anyone follows me, he is with me but if anyone disobeys me, You are Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (14:36)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord! Forgive me and my parents and the believers on the Day the Reckoning takes place.' (14:41)

If you tried to number Allah's blessings, you could never count them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (16:18)

He has forbidden you carrion, blood and pork and anything consecrated to other than Allah. But if someone is forced to eat it, without desiring to or going to excess in it, your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (16:115)

But to those who do evil in ignorance and then after that repent and put things right, to them your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (16:119)

Your Lord knows best what is in your selves. If you are righteous, He is Ever-Forgiving to the remorseful. (17:25)

The seven heavens and the earth and everyone in them glorify Him. There is nothing which does not glorify Him with praise but you do not understand their glorification. He is All-Forbearing, Ever-Forgiving. (17:44)

When guidance came to the people nothing prevented them from believing and asking for forgiveness from their Lord but the fact that the pattern of previous peoples did not happen to them or that the punishment did not appear before their eyes. (18:55)

He (Ibrahim) said (to his father), 'Peace be upon you. I will ask my Lord to forgive you. He has always honoured me.' (19:47)

(The magicians said to Pharaoh,) 'We have believed in our Lord so that He may forgive us for our mistakes and for the magic which you forced

us to perform. Allah is better and longer lasting.' (20:73)

But I am Ever-Forgiving to anyone who repents and believes and acts rightly and then is guided. (20:82)

As for those who believe and do right actions, they will have forgiveness and generous provision. (22:50)

That is so. And if anyone inflicts an injury the same as the one done to him and then is again oppressed, Allah will come to his aid. Allah is All-Pardoning, Ever-Forgiving. (22:60)

There was a group of My servants who said, "Our Lord, we believe, so forgive us and have mercy on us. You are the Best of the Merciful." (23:109)

Say: 'My Lord, forgive and be merciful! You are the Best of the Merciful.' (23:118)

Except for those who after that repent and put things right. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:5)

Those of you possessing affluence and ample wealth should not make oaths that they will not give to their relatives and the very poor and those who have migrated in the way of Allah. They should rather pardon and overlook. Would you not love Allah to forgive you? Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:22)

Corrupt women are for corrupt men and corrupt men are for corrupt women, Good women are for good men and good men are for good women. The latter are innocent of what they say. They will have forgiveness and generous provision. (24:26)

Those who cannot find the means to marry should be abstinent until Allah enriches them from His bounty. If any slaves you own want to make a contract to free themselves, write it for them if you know of good in them and give them some of the wealth Allah has given you. Do not force your slavegirls to prostitute themselves if they desire to be virtuous women out of your desire for the goods of this world. If anyone forces them, then after they have been forced, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:33)

The believers are those who believe in Allah and His Messenger and who, when they are with him on a matter of common concern, do not leave

until they have asked him for permission. Those people who ask you for permission are the ones who truly believe in Allah and His Messenger. If they ask your permission to attend to their own affairs, give permission to any of them you please; and ask Allah's forgiveness for them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:62) Say: 'The One Who sent it down is He Who knows all hidden secrets in the heavens and earth. He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (25:6) Except for those who repent and believe and act rightly: Allah will transform the wrong actions of such people into good—Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (25:70)

(The magicians said,) 'We remain hopeful that our Lord will forgive us our mistakes for being the first of the believers.' (26:51)

(Ibrahim said, 'It is) He Who I sincerely hope will forgive my mistakes on the Day of Reckoning.' (26:82)

(Ibrahim said,) 'And forgive my father—he was one of the misguided;' (26:86)

Except for one who did wrong and then changed evil into good—for I am Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (27:11)

He (Salih) said, 'My people, why are you so anxious to hasten the bad before the good? If only you would ask for forgiveness from Allah, so that mercy might perhaps be shown to you.' (27:46) He (Musa) said, 'My Lord, I have wronged myself. Forgive me.' So He forgave him. He is the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful. (28:16)

Call them after their fathers. That is closer to justice in Allah's sight. And if you do not know who their fathers were then they are your brothers in the religion and people under your patronage. You are not to blame for any honest mistake you make but only for what your hearts premeditate. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:5) So that Allah might recompense the truthful for their truth and punish the hypocrites, if He wills, or turn towards them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:24)

Men and women who are Muslims, men and women who are believers, men and women who are obedient, men and women who are truthful, men and women who are steadfast, men and

women who are humble, men and women who give charity, men and women who fast, men and women who guard their chastity, men and women who remember Allah much: Allah has prepared forgiveness for them and an immense reward. (33:35)

O Prophet! We have made lawful for you: your wives to whom you have given dowries and any slavegirls you own from the booty Allah has allotted you and the daughters of your paternal uncles and the daughters of your paternal aunts and the daughters of your maternal uncles and the daughters of your maternal aunts who have migrated with you and any believing woman who gives herself to the Prophet if the Prophet desires to marry her: exclusively for you as opposed to the rest of the believers—We know very well what We have prescribed for them regarding their wives and any slavegirls they possess—in order that there be no restriction on you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:50)

O Prophet! Tell your wives and daughters and the women of the believers to draw their outer garments closely round themselves. This makes it more likely that they will be recognised and not be harmed. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:59)

He will put your actions right for you and forgive you your wrong deeds. All who obey Allah and His Messenger have won a mighty victory. (33:71) This was so that Allah might punish the men and women of the hypocrites, and the men and women of the idolaters, and turn towards the men and women of the believers. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:73)

He knows what goes into the earth and what comes out of it, and what comes down from heaven and what goes up into it. And He is the Most Merciful, the Ever-Forgiving. (34:2)

This is so that He may recompense those who believe and do right actions. They will have forgiveness and generous provision. (34:4)

There was also a sign for Saba in their dwelling place: two gardens—one to the right and one to the left. 'Eat of your Lord's provision and give thanks to Him: a bountiful land and a forgiving Lord.' (34:15)

Those who disbelieve will suffer a harsh punishment. But those who believe and do right actions will receive forgiveness and an immense reward. (35:7)

And mankind and beasts and livestock are likewise of varying colours. Only those of His servants with knowledge have fear of Allah. Allah is Almighty, Ever-Forgiving. (35:28)

(Believers hope) that He will pay them their wages in full and give them more from His unbounded favour. He is Ever-Forgiving, Ever-Thankful. (35:30)

They will say, 'Praise be to Allah Who has removed all sadness from us. Truly our Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Ever-Thankful.' (35:34)

Allah keeps a firm hold on the heavens and earth, preventing them from vanishing away. And if they vanished no one could then keep hold of them. Certainly He is Most Forbearing, Ever-Forgiving. (35:41)

You can only warn those who act on the Reminder and fear the All-Merciful in the Unseen. Give them the good news of forgiveness and a generous reward. (36:11)

He was told, 'Enter the Garden!' He said, 'If my people only knew how my Lord has forgiven me and placed me among the honoured ones!' (36:26-27)

He (Dawud) said, 'He has wronged you by asking for your ewe to add to his ewes. Truly many partners are unjust to one another—except those who believe and do right actions, and how few they are!' Dawud realised that We had put him to the test. He begged forgiveness from his Lord and fell down prone, prostrating, and repented. (38:24)

He (Sulayman) said, 'My Lord, forgive me and give me a kingdom the like of which will never be granted to anyone after me. Truly You are the Ever-Giving.' (38:35)

Say: 'I am only a warner. There is no god except Allah, the One, the All-Conquering, Lord of the heavens and the earth and everything between them, the Almighty, the Endlessly Forgiving.' (38:65-66)

He created the heavens and the earth with truth. He wraps the night around the day and wraps the

day around the night, and has made the sun and moon subservient, each one running for a specified term. Is He not indeed the Almighty, the Endlessly Forgiving? (39:5)

Say (from Me): 'My servants, you who have transgressed against yourselves, do not despair of the mercy of Allah. Truly Allah forgives all wrong actions. He is the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful.' (39:53)

The Forgiver of wrong action, the Acceptor of repentance, the Severe in retribution, the Possessor of abundance. There is no god but Him. He is the final destination. (40:3)

Those who bear the Throne, and all those around it, glorify their Lord with praise and believe in Him and ask forgiveness for those who believe: 'Our Lord, You encompass everything in mercy and knowledge! Forgive those who turn to You and who follow Your Way and safeguard them from the punishment of the Blazing Fire.' (40:7)

(The man who believed said to his people,) 'You call me to reject Allah and to associate something with Him about which I have no knowledge, while I call you to the Almighty, the Endlessly Forgiving.' (40:42)

So remain steadfast. Allah's promise is true. Ask forgiveness for your wrong action and glorify your Lord with praise in the evening and the early morning. (40:55)

Say: 'I am only a human being like yourselves. It is revealed to me that your god is One God. So be straight with Him and ask His forgiveness.' Woe to those who associate others with Him. (41:6)

(The angels say to the believers,) 'Hospitality from One who is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (41:32)

Nothing has been said to you that was not said to the Messengers before you. Your Lord is the Possessor of forgiveness but also of painful retribution. (41:43)

The heavens are all but rent asunder from above when the angels glorify their Lord with praise and ask forgiveness for those who are on the earth. Allah is the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful. (42:5)

That is the good news which Allah gives to His

servants who believe and do right actions. Say: 'I do not ask you for any wage for this—except for you to love your near of kin. If anyone does a good action, We will increase the good of it for him. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Ever-Thankful.' (42:23)

It is He Who accepts repentance from His servants and pardons evil acts and knows what they do. (42:25)

Any disaster that strikes you is through what your own hands have earned and He pardons much. (42:30)

Or He wrecks them for what they have earned though He pardons much. (42:34)

(Believers are) those who avoid major wrong actions and indecencies and who, when they are angered, then forgive. (42:37)

The repayment of a bad action is one equivalent to it. But if someone pardons and puts things right, his reward is with Allah. Certainly He does not love wrongdoers. (42:40)

But if someone is steadfast and forgives, that is the most resolute course to follow. (42:43)

Tell those who believe that they should forgive those who feel no fear about the Days of Allah, when He will repay people according to what they earned. (45:14)

Or do they say, 'He has invented it?' Say: 'If I have invented it, then you possess no power to help me against Allah in any way. He knows best what you hold forth about. He is witness enough between me and you. He is the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful.' (46:8)

(A group of jinn said,) 'Our people, respond to Allah's caller and believe in Him. He will forgive you some of your wrong actions and save you from a painful punishment.' (46:31)

An image of the Garden which is promised to those who guard against evil: in it there are rivers of water which will never spoil and rivers of milk whose taste will never change and rivers of wine, delightful to all who drink it, and rivers of honey of undiluted purity; in it they will have fruit of every kind and forgiveness from their Lord. Is that like those who will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever, with boiling water to drink which lacerates their bowels? (47:15)

Know then that there is no god except Allah and ask forgiveness for your wrongdoing, and for the men and women who believe. Allah knows both your activity and your repose. (47:19)

Those who disbelieve and obstruct the Way of Allah, and then die disbeliever, Allah will not forgive them. (47:34)

Truly We have granted you a clear victory, so that Allah may forgive you your earlier errors and any later ones and complete His blessing upon you, and guide you on a Straight Path. (48:1-2)

Those Arabs who remained behind will say to you, 'Our wealth and families kept us occupied, so ask forgiveness for us.' They say with their tongues what is not in their hearts. Say: 'Who can control Allah for you in any way whether He wants harm for you or wants benefit for you?' Allah is aware of what you do. (48:11)

The kingdom of the heavens and the earth belongs to Allah. He forgives those He wills and punishes those He wills. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (48:14)

Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and those who are with him are fierce to the disbelievers, merciful to one another. You see them bowing and prostrating, seeking Allah's good favour and His pleasure. Their mark is on their faces, the traces of prostration. That is their likeness in the Torah. And their likeness in the Gospel is that of a seed which puts up a shoot and makes it strong so that it thickens and grows up straight upon its stalk, filling the sowers with delight—so that by them He may infuriate the disbelievers. Allah has promised those of them who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (48:29)

Those who lower their voices when they are with the Messenger of Allah are people whose hearts Allah has tested for heedfulness. They will have forgiveness and an immense reward. (49:3)

If they had only been patient until you came out to them, it would have been better for them. But Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (49:5)

The desert Arabs say, 'We believe.' Say: 'You do not believe. Say rather, "We have become Muslim," for faith has not yet entered into your hearts. If you obey Allah and His Messenger, He

will not undervalue your actions in any way. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (49:14) And they (those who guard against evil) would seek forgiveness before the dawn. (51:18) To whoever avoids the major wrong actions and indecencies—except for minor lapses—truly your Lord is vast in forgiveness. He has most knowledge of you when He first produced you from the earth, and when you were embryos in your mothers' wombs. So do not claim purity for yourselves. He knows best those who guard against evil. (53:32)

Know that the life of this world is merely a game and a diversion and ostentation and a cause of boasting among yourselves and trying to outdo one another in wealth and children: like the plant-growth after rain which delights the cultivators, but then it withers and you see it turning yellow, and then it becomes broken stubble. In the hereafter there is terrible punishment but also forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure. The life of this world is nothing but the enjoyment of delusion. (57:20)

Race each other to forgiveness from your Lord and to a Garden, whose breadth is like that of heaven and earth combined, made ready for those who believe in Allah and His Messengers. That is Allah's favour which He gives to those He wills. Allah's favour is indeed immense. (57:21) You who believe! Have fear of Allah and believe in His Messenger. He will give you a double portion of His mercy and grant you a Light by which to walk and forgive you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (57:28)

Those of you who divorce your wives by equating them with your mothers, they are not your mothers. Your mothers are only those who gave birth to you. What you are saying is wrong and a slanderous lie. But Allah is Ever-Pardoning, Ever-Forgiving. (58:2)

You who believe! When you consult the Messenger privately precede your private consultation by giving charity—that is better for you and purer. But if you cannot find the means, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (58:12)

Those who have come after them say, 'Our Lord, forgive us and our brothers who preceded us in

faith and do not put any rancour in our hearts towards those who believe. Our Lord, You are All-Gentle, Most Merciful.' (59:10)

You have an excellent example in Ibrahim and those with him, when they said to their people, 'We wash our hands of you and all that you worship apart from Allah, and we reject you. Between us and you there will be enmity and hatred for ever unless and until you believe in Allah alone.' Except for Ibrahim's words to his father: 'I will ask forgiveness for you but I have no power to help you in any way against Allah.' 'Our Lord, we have put our trust in You and have repented to You. You are our final destination. Our Lord, do not make us a target for those who disbelieve and forgive us. Our Lord, You are the Almighty, the All-Wise.' (60:4-5)

It may well be that Allah will restore the love between you and those of them who are now your enemies. Allah is All-Powerful. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (60:7)

O Prophet! When women who believe come to you pledging allegiance to you on the grounds that they will not associate anything with Allah or steal or fornicate or kill their children or give a false ascription of paternity—making up lies about their bodies—or disobey you in respect of anything right, then accept their pledge and ask for forgiveness for them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (60:12)

He will forgive you your wrong actions and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, and fine dwellings in the Gardens of Eden. That is the Great Victory. (61:12)

When they are told, 'Come, and the Messenger of Allah will ask forgiveness for you,' they turn their heads and you see them turn away in haughty arrogance. (63:5)

In their case it makes no difference whether you ask forgiveness for them or do not ask forgiveness for them. Allah will never forgive them. Allah does not guide deviant people. (63:6)

You who believe! Some of your wives and children are an enemy to you, so be wary of them. But if you pardon and exonerate and forgive, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (64:14)

If you make a generous loan to Allah He will

multiply it for you and forgive you. Allah is All-Thankful, Most Forbearing. (64:17)  
O Prophet! Why do you make forbidden what Allah has made lawful for you, seeking to please your wives? Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (66:1)

You who believe! Repent to Allah. It may be that your Lord will erase your bad actions from you and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them on the Day when Allah will not disgrace the Prophet and those who believed along with him. Their light will stream out ahead of them and on their right. They will say, 'Our Lord, perfect our light for us and forgive us! You have power over all things.' (66:8)

He Who created death and life to test which of you is best in action. He is the Almighty, the Ever-Forgiving. (67:2)

Those who fear their Lord in the Unseen will have forgiveness and an immense reward. (67:12)  
(Nuh said to his people,) 'He will forgive you your wrong actions and defer you until a specified time. When Allah's time comes it cannot be deferred, if you only knew.' (71:4)

(Nuh said, 'My Lord,) indeed, every time I called them to Your forgiveness, they put their fingers in their ears, wrapped themselves up in their clothes and were overweeningly arrogant.' (71:7)  
(Nuh said, 'My Lord,) I said, "Ask forgiveness of your Lord. Truly He is Endlessly Forgiving." (71:10)

(Nuh said,) 'My Lord! Forgive me and my parents and all who enter my house as believers, and all the men and women of the believers.' (71:28)  
Your Lord knows that you stay up nearly two-thirds of the night—or half of it, or a third of it—and a group of those with you. Allah determines the night and day. He knows you will not keep count of it, so He has turned towards you. Recite as much of the Qur'an as is easy for you. He knows that some of you are ill and that others are travelling in the land seeking Allah's bounty, and that others are fighting in the Way of Allah. So recite as much of it as is easy for you. And perform prayer and give the alms and lend a generous loan to Allah. Whatever good you send ahead for yourselves you will find it with Allah as some-

thing better and as a greater reward. And seek forgiveness from Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (73:20)

But they will only pay heed if Allah wills. He is entitled to be feared and entitled to forgive. (74:56)

He is the Ever-Forgiving, the All-Loving. (85:14)  
Then glorify your Lord's praise and ask His forgiveness. He is the Ever-Returning. (110:3)

## FORGOING

If you divorce them before you have touched them but have already allotted them a dowry, they should have half the amount which you allotted, unless they forgo it or the one in charge of the marriage contract forgoes it. To forgo it is closer to heedfulness. Do not forget to show generosity to one another. Allah sees what you do. (2:237)

You who believe! Have fear of Allah and forgo any remaining usury if you are believers. (2:278)  
A believer should never kill another believer unless it is by mistake. Anyone who kills a believer by mistake should free a believing slave and pay blood-money to his family unless they forgo it as a charity. If he is from a people who are your enemies and is a believer, you should free a believing slave. If he is from a people you have a treaty with, blood money should be paid to his family and you should free a believing slave. Anyone who cannot find the means should fast two consecutive months. This is a concession from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:92)

We prescribed for them in it: a life for a life, an eye for an eye, a nose for a nose, an ear for an ear, a tooth for a tooth, and retaliation for wounds. But if anyone forgoes that as a charity, it will act as expiation for him. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are wrongdoers. (5:45)

Whatever booty Allah gives to His Messenger from city dwellers belongs to Allah and to the Messenger and to near relatives and orphans and the very poor and travellers, so that it does not become something which merely revolves between the rich among you. Whatever the Messenger gives you you should accept and whatever he forbids

you you should forgo. Have fear of Allah—Allah is severe in retribution. (59:7)

### **FORM (OF A PERSON)**

It is He Who forms you in the womb however He wills. There is no god but Him, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (3:6)

We created you and then formed you and then We said to the angels, 'Prostrate before Adam,' and they prostrated—except for Diabolis. He was not among those who prostrated. (7:11)

It is Allah Who made the earth a stable home for you and the sky a dome, and formed you, giving you the best of forms, and provided you with good and wholesome things. That is Allah, your Lord. Blessed be Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (40:64)

He is Allah—the Creator, the Maker, the Giver of Form. To Him belong the Most Beautiful Names. Everything in the heavens and earth glorifies Him. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (59:24)

He created the heavens and the earth with truth and formed you, giving you the best of forms. And He is your final destination. (64:3)

### **FORNICATION (ZINAH)**

If any of your women commit fornication, four of you must be witnesses against them. If they bear witness, detain them in their homes until death releases them or Allah ordains another procedure for their case. If two of you commit a like abomination, punish them. If they repent and reform, leave them alone. Allah is Ever-Returning, Most Merciful. (4:15-16)

And also (forbidden for you are) married women, except for those you have taken in war as slaves. This is what Allah has prescribed for you. Apart from that He has made all other women lawful for you provided you seek them with your wealth in marriage and not in fornication. When you consummate your marriage with them give them their prescribed dowry. There is nothing wrong in any further agreement you might come to after the dowry has been given. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:24)

If any of you do not have the means to marry free women who are believers, you may marry slave-

girls who are believers. Allah knows best about your faith; you are all the same in that respect. Marry them with their owners' permission and give them their dowries correctly and courteously as married women, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. When they are married, if they commit fornication they should receive half the punishment of free women. This is for those of you who are afraid of committing fornication. But being patient is better for you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:25)

Today all good things have been made lawful for you. And the food of those given the Book is also lawful for you and your food is lawful for them. So are chaste women from among the believers and chaste women of those given the Book before you, once you have given them their dowries in marriage, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. But as for anyone who rejects faith, his actions will come to nothing and in the hereafter he will be among the losers. (5:5)

And do not go near to fornication. It is an indecent act, an evil way. (17:32)

A woman and a man who commit fornication: flog both of them with one hundred lashes and do not let compassion for either of them possess you where Allah's religion is concerned, if you believe in Allah and the Last Day. A number of believers should witness their punishment. (24:2)

A man who has fornicated may only marry a woman who has fornicated or a woman of the idolaters. A woman who has fornicated may only marry a man who has fornicated or a man of the idolaters. Doing such a thing is forbidden for the believers. (24:3)

But those who make accusations against chaste women and then do not produce four witnesses: flog them with eighty lashes and never again accept them as witnesses. Such people are deviators—except for those who after that repent and put things right. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:4-5)

Those who make an accusation against their wives and have no witnesses except themselves, such people should testify four times by Allah that they are telling the truth and a fifth time that Allah's curse will be upon them if they are lying. (24:6-7)

And the punishment is removed from her if she testifies four times by Allah that he is lying and a fifth time that Allah's anger will be upon her if he is telling the truth. (24:8-9)

Those who cannot find the means to marry should be abstinent until Allah enriches them from His bounty. If any slaves you own want to make a contract to free themselves, write it for them if you know of good in them and give them some of the wealth Allah has given you. Do not force your slavegirls to prostitute themselves if they desire to be virtuous women out of your desire for the goods of this world. If anyone forces them, then after they have been forced, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:33)

(Believers are) those who do not call on any other god together with Allah and do not kill anyone Allah has made inviolate, except with the right to do so, and do not fornicate; anyone who does that will receive an evil punishment. (25:68)

Wives of the Prophet! If any of you commits an obvious act of indecency she will receive double the punishment. That is an easy matter for Allah. (33:30)

O Prophet! When women who believe come to you pledging allegiance to you on the grounds that they will not associate anything with Allah or steal or fornicate or kill their children or give a false ascription of paternity—making up lies about their bodies—or disobey you in respect of anything right, then accept their pledge and ask forgiveness for them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (60:12)

O Prophet! When any of you divorce women, divorce them during their period of purity and calculate their waiting period carefully. And have fear of Allah, your Lord. Do not evict them from their homes, nor should they leave, unless they commit an outright indecency. Those are Allah's limits, and anyone who oversteps Allah's limits has wronged himself. You never know, it may well be that after that Allah will cause a new situation to develop. (65:1)

## FORTRESS

He brought down from their fortresses those of the People of the Book who supported them and

cast terror into their hearts. You killed some of them and some you took prisoner. (33:26)  
It is He Who expelled those who disbelieved among the People of the Book from their homes to the first gathering-place. You did not think that they would leave and they thought that their fortresses would protect them from Allah. Then Allah came upon them from where they least expected it and cast terror into their hearts. Their houses were pulled down by their own hands and by the hands of the believers. People of insight, take note! (59:2)

## FORTUNE-TELLER

It is not the word of a poet—how little faith you have! Nor the word of a fortune-teller—how little heed you pay! (69:41-42)

## FOSTER MOTHER

Forbidden for you are: your mothers and your daughters and your sisters, your maternal aunts and your paternal aunts, your brothers' daughters and your sisters' daughters, your foster mothers who have suckled you, your foster sisters by suckling, your wives' mothers, your stepdaughters who are under your protection: the daughters of your wives whom you have had sexual relations with (though if you have not had sexual relations with them there is nothing blameworthy for you in it then), the wives of your sons whom you have fathered, and marrying two sisters at the same time—except for what may have already taken place. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:23)

## FOUNTAIN

And when Musa was looking for water for his people, We said, 'Strike the rock with your staff.' Then twelve fountains gushed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. 'Eat and drink of Allah's provision and do not go about the earth corrupting it.' (2:60)

We divided them up into twelve tribes—communities. We revealed to Musa, when his people asked him for water: 'Strike the rock with your staff.' Twelve fountains flowed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. And We

shaded them with clouds and sent down manna and quails to them: 'Eat of the good things We have provided you with.' They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they wronged. (7:160)  
How many gardens and fountains they left behind. (44:25)

The people who guard against people will be in a safe place amid gardens and fountains, (44:51-52)

The heedful will be among Gardens and Fountains, (51:15)

The heedful will be amid shade and fountains. (77:41)

A fountain at which Those Brought Near will drink. (83:28)

### **FREE (MAN)**

You who believe! Retaliation is prescribed for you in the case of people killed: free man for free man, slave for slave, female for female. But if someone is absolved by his brother, blood-money should be claimed with correctness and paid with good will. That is an easement and a mercy from your Lord. Anyone who goes beyond the limits after this will receive a painful punishment. (2:178)

If any of you do not have the means to marry free women who are believers, you may marry slave-girls who are believers. Allah knows best about your faith; you are all the same in that respect. Marry them with their owners' permission and give them their dowries correctly and courteously as married women, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. When they are married, if they commit fornication they should receive half the punishment of free women. This is for those of you who are afraid of committing fornication. But being patient is better for you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:25)

A believer should never kill another believer unless it is by mistake. Anyone who kills a believer by mistake should free a believing slave and pay blood-money to his family unless they forgo it as a charity. If he is from a people who are your enemies and is a believer, you should free a believing slave. If he is from a people you have a treaty with, blood money should be paid to his family

and you should free a believing slave. Anyone who cannot find the means should fast two consecutive months. This is a concession from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:92)

Allah does not take you to task for your inadvertent oaths, but He will take you to task for oaths you make intentionally. The expiation in that case is to feed ten poor people with the average amount you feed your family, or clothe them, or free a slave. Anyone without the means to do so should fast three days. That is the expiation for breaking oaths when you have sworn them. Keep your oaths. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:89)

Those who divorce their wives by equating them with their mothers, and then wish to go back on what they said, must set free a slave before the two of them may touch one another. This is what you are enjoined to do. Allah is aware of what you do. (58:3)

It (the steep ascent) is freeing a slave... (90:13)

### **FRIDAY (THE DAY OF JUMU'A)**

You who believe! When you are called to prayer on the Day of Friday, hasten to the remembrance of Allah and abandon trade. That is better for you if you only knew. (62:9)

Then when the prayer is finished spread through the earth and seek Allah's bounty and remember Allah much so that hopefully you will be successful. (62:10)

But when they see a chance of trade or entertainment they scatter off to it and leave you standing there. Say: 'What is with Allah is better than trade or entertainment. Allah is the Best of Providers.' (62:11)

### **FRIEND**

You who believe! Give away some of what We have provided for you before a Day arrives on which there is no trading, no close friendship and no intercession. It is the disbelievers who are the wrongdoers. (2:254)

The believers should not take disbelievers as friends rather than believers. Anyone who does that has nothing to do with Allah at all—unless it

is because you guard yourselves against them, taking security. Allah advises you to be afraid of Him. Allah is the final destination. (3:28)

That was only Satan who intimidated his adherents. But do not fear them—fear Me if you are believers. (3:175)

But if you meet with favour from Allah they say—as if there were no friendship between you and them—‘Oh! If only I had been with them so that I too might have won a great victory.’ (4:73) Those who believe fight in the Way of Allah. Those who disbelieve fight in the way of false gods. So fight the friends of Satan! Satan’s scheming is always feeble. (4:76)

They would like you to disbelieve as they disbelieve so that you will all be the same. Do not take any of them as friends until they have migrated in the Way of Allah. But if they run away then seize them and kill them wherever you find them. Do not take any of them as either a friend or helper. (4:89)

Who could have a better religion than someone who submits himself completely to Allah and is a good-doer, and follows the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief? Allah took Ibrahim as an intimate friend. (4:125)

You who believe! Do not take the disbelievers as friends rather than the believers. Do you want to give Allah clear proof against you? (4:144)

You who believe! Do not take the Jews and Christians as your friends; they are the friends of one another. Any of you who takes them as friends is one of them. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (5:51)

Your friend is only Allah and His Messenger and those who believe: those who perform prayer and give the alms, and bow. (5:55)

As for those who make Allah their friend, and His Messenger and those who believe: it is the party of Allah who are victorious! (5:56)

You who believe! Do not take as friends any of those who make a mockery and a game out of your religion among the ones who were given the Book before you or the disbelievers. Have fear of Allah if you are believers. (5:57)

You see many of them taking those who disbelieve as their friends. What their lower selves

have advanced for them is evil indeed, bringing Allah’s anger down upon them. They will suffer punishment timelessly, for ever. (5:80)

If they had believed in Allah and the Prophet and what has been sent down to him, they would not have taken them as friends. But most of them are deviators. (5:81)

Do not eat anything over which the name of Allah has not been mentioned. To do so is sheer deviance. The Satans inspire their friends to dispute with you. If you obeyed them you would then be idolaters. (6:121)

On the Day We gather them all together: ‘Company of jinn, you gained many followers among mankind.’ And their friends among mankind will say, ‘Our Lord, we benefited from one another, and now we have reached the term which You determined for us.’ He will say, ‘The Fire is your home. You will be in it timelessly, for ever, except as Allah wills. Your Lord is All-Wise, All-Knowing.’ (6:128)

In that way We make the wrongdoers friends of one another because of what they have done. (6:129)

Children of Adam! Do not let Satan tempt you into trouble as He expelled your parents from the Garden, stripping them of their covering and disclosing to them their private parts. He and his tribe see you from where you do not see them. We have made the Satans friends of those who have no faith. (7:27)

One group He guided; but another group got the misguidance they deserved. They took the Satans as friends instead of Allah and thought that they were guided. (7:30)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah, and those who have given refuge and help, they are the friends and protectors of one another. But as for those who believe but have not migrated, you are not in any way responsible for their protection until they migrate. But if they ask you for help in respect of the religion, it is your duty to help them, except against people you have a treaty with. Allah sees what you do. (8:72)

Those who disbelieve are the friends and protec-

tors of one another. If you do not act in this way there will be turmoil in the land and great corruption. (8:73)

Or did you suppose that you would be left without Allah knowing those of you who have strived and who have not taken anyone as their intimate friends besides Allah and His Messenger and the believers? Allah is aware of what you do. (9:16) You who believe, do not befriend your fathers and brothers if they prefer disbelief to faith. Those among you who do befriend them are wrongdoers. (9:23)

The men and women of the believers are friends of one another. They command what is right and forbid what is wrong, and perform prayer and give the alms, and obey Allah and His Messenger. They are the people on whom Allah will have mercy. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:71)

Yes, the friends of Allah will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (10:62)

(Yusuf said,) 'My Lord, You have granted power to me on earth and taught me the true meaning of events. Originator of the heavens and earth, You are my Friend in this world and the Next. So take me as a Muslim at my death and join me to the people who are righteous.' (12:101)

Tell My servants who believe that they should perform prayer and give from what We have provided for them, secretly and openly, before a Day arrives on which there will be no trading and no friendship. (14:31)

He (Satan) only has authority over those who take him as a friend and associate others with Allah. (16:100)

It is written of him that if anyone takes him as a friend, he will mislead him and guide him to the punishment of the Searing Blaze. (22:4)

There is no objection to the blind, no objection to the lame, no objection to the sick; nor to yourselves if you eat in your own houses or your fathers' houses or your mothers' houses or your brothers' houses or your sisters' houses or the houses of your paternal uncles or paternal aunts or the houses of your maternal uncles or maternal aunts or places to which you own the keys or those of your friends. There is nothing wrong in

your eating together or eating separately. And when you enter houses greet one another with a greeting from Allah, blessed and good. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (24:61) (On that Day a wrongdoer will say,) 'Alas for me! If only I had not taken so-and-so for a friend!' (25:28)

(Companions of the Fire will say,) 'We do not have a single loyal friend.' (26:101)

The Prophet is closer to the believers than their own selves, and his wives are their mothers. But blood-relations have closer ties to one another in the Book of Allah than other believers and the emigrants, except that you should act in a proper manner towards your close associates. That is inscribed in the Book. (33:6)

One of them will say, 'I used to have a friend,' who would say to me, "Are you one of those who say that it is true: that when we have died and are turned to dust and bones, we will face a Reckoning?" (37:51-53)

And warn them of the Day of Immediacy when hearts rise choking to the throat. The wrongdoers will have no close friend nor any intercessor who might be heard. (40:18)

A good action and a bad action are not the same. Repel the bad with something better and, if there is enmity between you and someone else, he will be like a bosom friend. (41:34)

If someone shuts his eyes to the remembrance of the All-Merciful, We assign him a Satan who becomes his bosom friend. (43:36)

On that Day the closest friends will be enemies to one another—except for those who guard against evil. (43:67)

The Day when friends will be of no use at all to one another, and they will not be helped. (44:41) Those who do wrong will have their due, the same as that of their friends. So they should not hurry Me! (51:59)

You who believe! Do not take My enemy and your enemy as friends, showing love for them when they have rejected the truth that has come to you, driving out the Messenger and yourselves simply because you believe in Allah your Lord. If you go out to strive in My Way and seeking My

pleasure, keeping secret the love you have for them, I know best what you conceal and what you make known. Any of you who do that have strayed from the right way. (60:1)

Allah merely forbids you from taking as friends those who have fought you in the religion and driven you from your homes and who supported your expulsion. Any who take them as friends are wrongdoers. (60:9)

You who believe! Do not make friends of people with whom Allah is angry, who have despaired of the hereafter as the disbelievers have despaired of the inhabitants of the graves. (60:13)

Say: 'You Jews, if you claim to be the friends of Allah to the exclusion of all other people, then wish for death if you are telling the truth.' (62:6)

Therefore here today he has no friend. (69:35)  
(On the Day) no good friend will ask about his friend. (70:10)

## FROG

So We sent down on them floods, locusts, lice, frogs and blood, Signs, clear and distinct, but they proved arrogant and were an evildoing people. (7:133)

## FROWN

Then he frowned and glowered. (74:22)

## FRUIT

It is He Who made the earth a couch for you, and the sky a dome. He sends down water from the sky and by it brings forth fruits for your provision. Do not, then, knowingly make others equal to Allah. (2:22)

Give the good news to those who believe and do right actions that they will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them. When they are given fruit there as provision, they will say, 'This is what we were given before.' But they were only given a simulation of it. They will have there spouses of perfect purity and will remain there timelessly, for ever. (2:25)

And when Ibrahim said, 'My Lord, make this a place of safety and provide its inhabitants with fruits—all of them who believe in Allah and the Last Day,' He said, 'I will let anyone who be-

comes a disbeliever enjoy himself a little but then I will drive him to the punishment of the Fire. What an evil destination!' (2:126)

We will test you with a certain amount of fear and hunger and loss of wealth and life and fruits. But give good news to the steadfast. (2:155)

Would any of you like to have a garden of dates and grapes, with rivers flowing underneath and containing all kinds of fruits, then to be stricken with old age and have children who are weak, and then for a fierce whirlwind containing fire to come and strike it so that it goes up in flames? In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect. (2:266)

It is He Who sends down water from the sky from which We bring forth growth of every kind, and from that We bring forth the green shoots and from them We bring forth close-packed seeds, and from the spathes of the date palm date clusters hanging down, and gardens of grapes and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Look at their fruits as they bear fruit and ripen. There are Signs in that for people who believe. (6:99)

It is He Who produces gardens, both cultivated and wild, and palm-trees and crops of diverse kinds, and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Eat of their fruits when they bear fruit and pay their due on the day of their harvest, and do not be profligate. He does not love the profligate. (6:141)

It is He Who sends out the winds, bringing advance news of His mercy, so that when they have lifted up the heavy clouds, We dispatch them to a dead land and send down water to it, by means of which We bring forth all kinds of fruit. In the same way We will bring forth the dead, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (7:57)

We seized Pharaoh's people with years of drought and scarcity of fruits so that hopefully they would pay heed. (7:130)

It is He Who stretched out the earth and placed firmly embedded mountains and rivers in it and made two types of every kind of fruit. He covers over day with night. There are Signs in that for people who reflect. (13:3)

It bears fruit regularly by its Lord's permission.

Allah makes metaphors for people so that hopefully they will pay heed. (14:25)

Allah is He Who created the heavens and the earth and sends down water from the sky and by it brings forth fruits as provision for you. He has made the ships subservient to you to run upon the sea by His command, and He has made the rivers subservient to you. (14:32)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord! I have settled some of my offspring by Your Sacred House in an uncultivated valley. Our Lord! Let them perform prayer! Make the hearts of mankind incline towards them and provide them with fruits, so that hopefully they will be thankful.' (14:37)

And by it He makes crops grow for you and olives and dates and grapes and fruit of every kind. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who reflect. (16:11)

And from the fruit of the date-palm and the grape-vine you derive both intoxicants and wholesome provision. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who use their intellect. (16:67)

(Your Lord revealed to the bees:) 'Then eat from every kind of fruit and travel the paths of your Lord, which have been made easy for you to follow.' From inside them comes a drink of varying colours, containing healing for mankind. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who reflect. (16:69)

The fruits of his labour were completely destroyed and he woke up wringing his hands in grief, ruing everything that he had spent on it. It was a ruin with all its trellises fallen in. He said, 'Oh, if only I had not associated anyone with my Lord!' (18:42)

By means of it We produce gardens of dates and grapes for you, in which there are many fruits for you and from which you eat. (23:19)

Do you not see that Allah sends down water from the sky and by it We bring forth fruits of varying colours? And in the mountains there are streaks of white and red, of varying shades, and rocks of deep jet black. (35:27)

We place in it gardens of dates and grapes, and cause springs to gush out in it, so they may eat its fruits—they did not do it themselves. So will they not be thankful? (36:34-35)

Gardens of Eden, whose gates will be open to them, where they will recline, calling for plentiful fruit and drink. (38:50-51)

Knowledge of the Hour is referred to Him. And no fruit emerges from its husk, nor does any female get pregnant or give birth, without His knowledge. On the Day He calls out to them: 'Where are My associates?' they will say, 'We declare to you that none of us is a witness.' (41:47) There will be many fruits in it for you to eat. (43:73)

They will call there for fruit of every kind, in complete security. (44:55)

An image of the Garden which is promised to those who guard against evil: in it there are rivers of water which will never spoil and rivers of milk whose taste will never change and rivers of wine, delightful to all who drink it, and rivers of honey of undiluted purity; in it they will have fruit of every kind and forgiveness from their Lord. Is that like those who will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever, with boiling water to drink which lacerates their bowels? (47:15)

We will supply them with any kind of fruit and meat that they desire. (52:22)

In it are fruits and date-palms with covered spathes. (55:11)

In them are two kinds of every fruit. (55:52)

They will be reclining on couches lined with rich brocade, the fruits of the Gardens hanging close to hand. (55:54)

In them are fruits and date-palms and pomegranates. (55:68)

And any fruit they specify, (56:20)

and fruit-laden acacias, (56:29)

and fruits in abundance, (56:32)

In the morning they called out to one another, 'Leave early for your land if you want to pick the fruit.' (68:21-22)

He will have a very pleasant life in an elevated Garden, its ripe fruit hanging close to hand. (69:21-23)

And (the heedful will) have any fruits that they desire. (77:42)

## FUEL

If you have doubts about what We have sent

down to Our servant, produce another sura equal to it, and call your witnesses, besides Allah, if you are telling the truth. If you do not do that—and you will not do it—then fear the Fire whose fuel is people and stones, made ready for the disbelievers. (2:23-24)

As for those who disbelieve, their wealth and children will not help them against Allah in any way. They are fuel for the Fire. (3:10)

You and what you worship besides Allah are fuel for Hell. You will go down into it. (21:98)

You who believe! Safeguard yourselves and your families from a Fire whose fuel is people and stones. Harsh, terrible angels are in charge of it who do not disobey Allah in respect of any order He gives them and carry out what they are ordered to do. (66:6)

### FULL MEASURE AND FULL WEIGHT

And that you do not go near the property of orphans before they reach maturity—except in a good way; that you give full measure and full weight with justice—We impose on no self any more than it can bear; that you are equitable when you speak—even if a near relative is concerned; and that you fulfil Allah's contract. That is what He instructs you to do, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (6:152)

And to Madyan We sent their brother Shu'ayb who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. A Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord. Give full measure and full weight. Do not diminish people's goods. Do not cause corruption in the land after it has been put right. That is better for you if you are believers.' (7:85)

And to Madyan their brother Shu'ayb. He said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no god apart from Him. Do not give short measure and short weight. I see you prospering and I fear for you the punishment of an all-encompassing Day. My people! Give full measure and full weight with justice; do not diminish people's goods; and do not go about the earth, corrupting it.' (11:84-85)

Give full measure when you measure and weigh with a level balance. That is better and gives the best result. (17:35)

Give full measure. Do not skimp. (26:181)

Weigh with a level balance. (26:182)

He erected heaven and established the balance, so that you would not transgress the balance. (55:7-8)  
Give just weight—do not skimp in the balance. (55:9)

Woe to the stinters! Those who, when they take a measure from people, exact full measure, but when they give them a measure or weight, hand over less than is due. (83:1-3)

### FURQAN (SEE DISCRIMINATION)

### FURTHER MOSQUE, THE (MASJID AL-AQSA)

Glory be to Him Who took His servant on a journey by night from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) to the Further Mosque (Masjid al-Aqsa), whose surroundings We have blessed, in order to show him some of Our Signs. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Seeing. (17:1)

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## GABRIEL (JIBRIL)

We gave Musa the Book and sent a succession of Messengers after him. We gave 'Isa, son of Maryam, the Clear Signs and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. Why then, whenever a Messenger came to you with something your lower selves did not desire, did you grow arrogant, and deny some of them and murder others? (2:87)

Say, 'Anyone who is the enemy of Gabriel should know that it was he who brought it down upon your heart, by Allah's authority, confirming what came before, and as guidance and good news for the believers. Anyone who is the enemy of Allah and of His angels, and of His Messengers and of Gabriel and Michael, should know that Allah is the enemy of the disbelievers.' (2:97-98)

These Messengers: We favoured some of them over others. Allah spoke directly to some of them and raised up some of them in rank. We gave Clear Signs to 'Isa, son of Maryam, and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. If Allah had willed, those who came after them would not have fought each other after the Clear Signs came to them, but they differed. Among them there are those who believe and among them there are those who disbelieve. If Allah had willed, they would not have fought each other. But Allah does whatever He desires. (2:253)

Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to your mother when I reinforced you with the Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth the dead by My permission; and when I held back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but downright magic"; (5:110)

He sends down angels with the Spirit of His command to any of His servants He wills: 'Give warning that there is no god but Me, so have fear of Me!' (16:2)

The angels and the Spirit ascend to Him in a day whose length is fifty thousand years. (70:4)

On the Day when the Spirit and the angels stand in ranks, no one will speak, except for him who is authorised by the All-Merciful and says what is right. (78:38)

Truly it (the Qur'an) is the speech of a noble Messenger. (81:19)

In it the angels and the Spirit descend by their Lord's authority with every ordinance. (97:4)

Say: 'The Purest Spirit has brought it down from your Lord with truth, to make those who believe firm, and as guidance and good news for the Muslims.' (16:102)

And (Maryam) veiled herself from them. Then We sent Our Spirit to her and it took on for her the form of a handsome, well-built man. (19:17) He said, 'I am only your Lord's messenger so that He can give you a pure boy.' (19:19)

The Faithful Spirit brought it down. (26:193)

He is the Raiser of ranks, the Possessor of the Throne, He sends the Spirit by His command to whichever of His servants He wills so that he may warn mankind about the Day of Meeting. (40:15)

It is nothing but Revelation revealed, taught him by one immensely strong, possessing power and splendour. He stood there stationary—there on the highest horizon. (53:4-7)

If the two of you would only turn to Allah, for your hearts clearly deviated... But if you support one another against him, Allah is his Protector and so are Gabriel and every right-acting man of the believers and, furthermore, the angels too will come to his support. (66:4)

## GAMBLING

They will ask you about alcoholic drinks and gambling. Say, 'There is great wrong in both of them and also certain benefits for mankind. But the wrong in them is greater than the benefit.' They will ask you what they should give away. Say, 'Whatever is surplus to your needs.' In this

way Allah makes the Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect. (2:19)

You who believe! Wine and gambling, stone altars and divining arrows are filth from the handiwork of Satan. Avoid them completely so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:90)

Satan wants to stir up enmity and hatred between you by means of wine and gambling, and to debar you from remembrance of Allah and from prayer. Will you not then give them up? (5:91)

## GARDEN

The metaphor of those who spend their wealth, desiring the pleasure of Allah and firmness for themselves, is that of a garden on a hillside. When heavy rain falls on it, it doubles its produce; and if heavy rain does not fall, there is dew. Allah sees what you do. (2:265)

Would any of you like to have a garden of dates and grapes, with rivers flowing underneath and containing all kinds of fruits, then to be stricken with old age and have children who are weak, and then for a fierce whirlwind containing fire to come and strike it so that it goes up in flames? In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect. (2:266)

It is He Who sends down water from the sky from which We bring forth growth of every kind, and from that We bring forth the green shoots and from them We bring forth close-packed seeds, and from the spathes of the date palm date clusters hanging down, and gardens of grapes and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Look at their fruits as they bear fruit and ripen. There are Signs in that for people who believe. (6:99)

It is He Who produces gardens, both cultivated and wild, and palm-trees and crops of diverse kinds, and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Eat of their fruits when they bear fruit and pay their due on the day of their harvest, and do not be profligate. He does not love the profligate. (6:141)

In the earth there are diverse regions side by side and gardens of grapes and cultivated fields, and palm-trees sharing one root and others with individual roots, all watered with the same water.

And We make some things better to eat than others. There are Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (13:4)

They say, 'We will not believe you until you make a spring gush out from the earth for us; or have a garden of dates and grapes which you make rivers come pouring through; or make the sky, as you claim, fall down on us in lumps; or bring Allah and the angels here as a guarantee; or possess a house built out of gleaming gold; or ascend up into heaven—and even then we will not believe in your ascent unless you bring us down a book to read!' Say: 'Glory be to my Lord! Am I anything but a human messenger?' (17:90-93)

Make an example for them of two men. To one of them We gave two gardens of grape-vines and surrounded them with date-palms, putting between them some cultivated land. Both gardens yielded their crops and did not suffer any loss, and We made a river flow right through the middle of them. He was a man of wealth and property and he said to his companion, debating with him, 'I have more wealth than you and more people under me.' He entered his garden and wronged himself by saying, 'I do not think that this will ever end. I do not think the Hour will ever come. But if I should be sent back to my Lord, I will definitely get something better in return.' His companion, with whom he was debating, said to him, 'Do you then disbelieve in Him Who created you from dust, then from a drop of sperm, and then formed you as a man? He is, however, Allah, my Lord, and I will not associate anyone with my Lord. Why, when you entered your garden, did you not say, "It is as Allah wills, there is no strength but in Allah"? Though you see me with less wealth and children than you possess, it may well be that my Lord will give me something better than your garden and send down on it a fireball from the sky so that morning finds it a shifting heap of dust, or morning finds its water drained into the earth so that you cannot get at it.' The fruits of his labour were completely destroyed and he woke up wringing his hands in grief, rueing everything that he had spent on it. It was a ruin with all its trellises fallen in. He said, 'Oh, if only I had not associated any-

one with my Lord!' (18:32-42)

By means of it We produce gardens of dates and grapes for you, in which there are many fruits for you and from which you eat. (23:19)

Why has treasure not been showered down on him? Why does he not have a garden to give him food?' The wrongdoers say, 'You are merely following a man who is bewitched.' (25:8)

We expelled them (Pharaoh and his people) from gardens and springs, from treasures and a splendid situation. (26:57-58)

Have fear of Him Who has supplied you with what you know, supplied you with livestock and children and gardens and clear springs. (26:132-134)

(Salih said to them) 'Are you going to be left secure amid what is here, amid gardens and clear springs, and cultivated fields and palms with supple spathes?' (26:146-148)

He Who created the heavens and the earth and sends down water for you from the sky by which We make luxuriant gardens grow—you could never make their trees grow. Is there another god besides Allah? No indeed, but they are people who equate others with Him! (27:60)

There was also a sign for Saba in their dwelling place: two gardens—one to the right and one to the left. 'Eat of your Lord's provision and give thanks to Him: a bountiful land and a forgiving Lord.' (34:15)

But they turned away so We unleashed against them the flood from the great dam and exchanged their two gardens for two others containing bitter-tasting plants and tamarisk and a few lotus trees. (34:16)

We place in it gardens of dates and grapes, and cause springs to gush out in it. (36:34)

How many gardens and fountains they left behind. (44:25)

And We sent down blessed water from the sky and made gardens grow by it and grain for harvesting. (50:9)

We have tried them as We tried the owners of the garden when they swore that they would harvest in the morning. (68:17)

He will send heaven down on you in abundant rain and reinforce you with more wealth and

sons, and grant you gardens and grant you waterways. (71:11-12)

We sent down cascading water from the clouds so that by it We might bring forth grains and plants and luxuriant gardens. (78:14-16)

We pour down plentiful water, then split the earth into furrows. Then We make grain grow in it, and grapes and herbs and olives and dates and luxuriant gardens and orchards and meadows, for you and your livestock to enjoy. (80:25-32)

### **GARDEN, THE (I. E. PARADISE)**

Give the good news to those who believe and do right actions that they will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them. When they are given fruit there as provision, they will say, 'This is what we were given before.' But they were only given a simulation of it. They will have there spouses of perfect purity and will remain there timelessly, for ever. (2:25)

We said, 'Adam, live in the Garden, you and your wife, and eat freely from it wherever you will. But do not approach this tree and so become wrongdoers.' (2:35)

Whereas those who believe and do right actions, such people are the Companions of the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:82)

They say, 'No one will enter the Garden except for Jews and Christians.' Such is their vain hope. Say, 'Produce your evidence if you are telling the truth.' (2:111)

Or did you suppose that you would enter the Garden without facing the same as those who came before you? Poverty and illness afflicted them and they were shaken to the point that the Messenger and those who believed with him said, 'When is Allah's help coming?' Be assured that Allah's help is very near. (2:214)

Do not marry women of the idolaters until they believe. A slavegirl who is one of the believers is better for you than a woman of the idolaters, even though she may attract you. And do not marry men of the idolaters until they believe. A slave who is one of the believers is better for you than a man of the idolaters, even though he may attract you. Such people call you to the Fire whereas Allah calls you, with His permission, to

the Garden and forgiveness. He makes His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will pay heed. (2:221)

Say, 'Shall I tell you of something better than that? Those who guard against evil will have Gardens with their Lord, with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and purified wives, and the Pleasure of Allah. Allah sees His servants. (3:15)

Race each other to forgiveness from your Lord and a Garden as wide as the heavens and the earth, prepared for the people who guard against evil. (3:133)

Their recompense is forgiveness from their Lord, and Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. How excellent is the reward of those who act! (3:136)

Or did you imagine that you were going to enter the Garden without Allah knowing those among you who had struggled and knowing the steadfast? (3:142)

Every self will taste death. You will be paid your wages in full on the Day of Rising. Anyone who is distanced from the Fire and admitted to the Garden has triumphed. The life of this world is just the enjoyment of delusion. (3:185)

Their Lord responds to them: 'I will not let the deeds of any doer among you go to waste, male or female—you are both the same in that respect. Those who migrated and were driven from their homes and suffered harm in My Way and fought and were killed, I will erase their bad actions from them and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, as a reward from Allah. The best of all rewards is with Allah.' (3:195)

But those who have fear of their Lord will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever: hospitality from Allah. What is with Allah is better for those who are truly good. (3:198)

These are Allah's limits. As for those who obey Allah and His Messenger, We will admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the Great Victory. (4:13)

But as for those who believe and do right actions,

We will admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. In them they will have spouses of perfect purity and We will admit them into cool, refreshing shade. (4:57)

But as for those who believe and do right actions, We will admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah's promise is true. Whose speech could be truer than Allah's? (4:122)

Anyone, male or female, who does right actions and is a believer, will enter the Garden. They will not be wronged by so much as the tiniest speck. (4:124)

Allah made a covenant with the tribe of Israel and We raised up twelve leaders from among them. Allah said, 'I am with you. If you perform prayer and give the alms, and believe in My Messengers and respect and support them, and make a generous loan to Allah, I will erase your wrong actions from you and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Any of you who disbelieve after that have gone astray from the right way.' (5:12)

If only the People of the Book had believed and guarded against evil, We would have erased their evil deeds from them and admitted them into Gardens of Delight. (5:65)

Those who say that the Messiah, son of Maryam, is Allah are disbelievers. The Messiah said, 'Tribe of Israel! Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord. If anyone associates anything with Allah, Allah has forbidden him the Garden and his refuge will be the Fire.' The wrongdoers will have no helpers. (5:72)

Allah will reward them for what they say with Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the recompense of the good-doers. (5:85)

Allah will say, 'This is the Day when the sincerity of the sincere will benefit them. They will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. That is the Great Victory.' (5:119)

(Allah said,) 'Adam, live in the Garden, you and

your wife, and eat of it wherever you like. But do not go near this tree lest you become wrongdoers.' (7:19)

So he (Satan) enticed them to do it by means of trickery. Then when they tasted the tree, their private parts were disclosed to them and they started stitching together the leaves of the Garden in order to cover themselves. Their Lord called out to them, 'Did I not forbid you this tree and say to you, "Satan is an outright enemy to you"?' (7:22)

Children of Adam! Do not let Satan tempt you into trouble as He expelled your parents from the Garden, stripping them of their covering and disclosing to them their private parts. He and his tribe see you from where you do not see them. We have made the Satans friends of those who have no faith. (7:27)

As for those who deny Our Signs and are arrogant regarding them, the Gates of Heaven will not be opened for them, and they will not enter the Garden until a camel goes through a needle's eye. That is how We repay the evildoers. (7:40)

As for those who believe and do right actions—We impose on no self any more than it can bear—they are the Companions of the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (7:42)

We will strip away any rancour in their hearts. Rivers will flow under them and they will say, 'Praise be to Allah Who has guided us to this! We would not have been guided, had Allah not guided us. The Messengers of our Lord came with the Truth.' It will be proclaimed to them: 'This is your Garden which you have inherited for what you did.' (7:43)

The Companions of the Garden will call out to the Companions of the Fire, 'We have found that what our Lord promised us is true. Have you found that what your Lord promised you is true?' They will say, 'Yes, we have!' Between them a herald will proclaim: 'May the curse of Allah be on the wrongdoers.' (7:44)

There will be a dividing wall between them and on the ramparts there will be men who recognise everyone by their mark. They will call out to the people of the Garden: 'Peace be upon you!' They

will not have yet entered it, though they hope. (7:46)

The Companions of the Ramparts will call out to men they recognise by their mark, saying, 'What you amassed was of no use to you, nor was your arrogance. Are these the people you swore that Allah's mercy would never reach?' 'Enter the Garden. You will feel no fear and know no sorrow.' (7:48-49)

The Companions of the Fire will call out to the Companions of the Garden, 'Throw down some water to us or some of what Allah has given you as provision.' They will say, 'Allah has forbidden them to the disbelievers.' (7:50)

Their Lord gives them the good news of His mercy and good pleasure and Gardens where they will enjoy everlasting delight. (9:21)

Allah has promised the men and women of the believers Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and fine dwellings in the Gardens of Eden. And Allah's good pleasure is even greater. That is the great victory. (9:72)

Allah has prepared Gardens for them with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the great victory. (9:89)

The forerunners—the first of the Migrants (Muhajirun) and the Supporters (Ansar)—and those who have followed them in doing good: Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. He has prepared Gardens for them with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. That is the great victory. (9:100)

Allah has bought from the believers their selves and their wealth in return for the Garden. They fight in the Way of Allah and they kill and are killed. It is a promise binding on Him in the Torah, the Gospel and the Qur'an and who is truer to his contract than Allah? Rejoice then in the bargain you have made. That is the great victory. (9:111)

But as for those who believe and do right actions, their Lord will guide them by their faith. Rivers will flow under them in Gardens of Delight. (10:9)

Those who do good will have the best and more!

Neither dust nor debasement will darken their faces. They are the Companions of the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (10:26)

As for those who believe and do right actions and humble themselves before their Lord, they are the Companions of the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (11:23)

As for those who are glad, they will be in the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever, as long as the heavens and earth endure, except as your Lord wills: an uninterrupted gift. (11:108)

Gardens of Eden which they will enter, and all of their parents, wives and children who were righteous. Angels will enter in to welcome them from every gate. (13:23)

What is the Garden promised to those who guard against evil like? It has rivers flowing under it and its foodstuffs and cool shade never fail. That is the final fate of those who guard against evil. But the final fate of the disbelievers is the Fire. (13:35)

Those who believed and did right actions will be admitted into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever by the permission of their Lord. Their greeting there is 'Peace!' (14:23)

Those who guard against evil will be amid Gardens and Springs: 'Enter them in peace, in complete security! We will strip away any rancour in their hearts--brothers, resting on couches face-to-face. They will not be affected by any tiredness there and they will never be made to leave. (15:45-48)

Gardens of Eden which they enter, with rivers flowing under them, where they have whatever they desire. That is how Allah repays those who guard against evil: those the angels take in a virtuous state. They say, 'Peace be upon you! Enter the Garden for what you did.' (16:31-32)

They will have Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them. They will be adorned in them with bracelets made of gold and wear green garments made of the finest silk and rich brocade, reclining there on couches under canopies. What an excellent reward! What a wonderful repose! (18:31)

Those who believe and do right actions will have

the Gardens of Firdaws as hospitality, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, with no desire to move away from them. (18:107-108)

Except for those who repent and believe and act rightly. They will enter the Garden and they will not be wronged in any way: Gardens of Eden which the All-Merciful has promised to His servants in the Unseen. His promise is always kept. They will not hear any prattling there--nothing but 'Peace'. They will receive their provision there morning and night. That is the Garden which We will bequeath to those of Our servants who guard against evil. (19:60-63)

Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the reward of those who purify themselves. (20:76)

We said, 'Adam, this is an enemy for you and your wife, so do not let him expel you from the Garden and thus make you miserable.' (20:117)

So the two of them ate from it and their private parts were disclosed to them and they started stitching together the leaves of the Garden to cover themselves. Adam disobeyed his Lord and became misled. (20:121)

Allah will admit those who believe and do right actions into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Allah does whatever He wishes. (22:14)

But Allah will admit those who believe and do right actions into Gardens with rivers flowing under them where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. (22:23)

Sovereignty on that Day will be Allah's. He will judge between them. Those who believe and do right actions will be in Gardens of Delight. (22:56)

Blessed be He Who, if He wishes, will grant you better than that: Gardens with rivers flowing under them; and He will grant you Palaces. (25:10)

Say: 'Is that better, or the Garden of Eternal Life which has been promised to those who guard against evil? That is their recompense and destination.' They will have in it whatever they want timelessly, for ever. It is a binding promise of your Lord. (25:15-16)

The Companions of the Garden on that Day will

have better lodging and a better resting-place. (25:24)

The Garden will be brought near to those who guard against evil. (26:90)

As for those who believe and do right actions, We will lodge them in lofty chambers in the Garden, with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. How excellent is the reward of those who act. (29:58)

For those who believe and do right actions there are Gardens of Delight, to remain in them timelessly, for ever. Allah's promise is true. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (31:8-9)

As for those who believe and do right actions, they will have the Gardens of Safe Refuge as hospitality for what they used to do. (32:19)

They will enter Gardens of Eden where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. They will say, 'Praise be to Allah Who has removed all sadness from us. Truly our Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Ever-Thankful: He Who has lodged us, out of His favour, in the Abode of Permanence where no weariness or fatigue affects us.' (35:33-35)

He was told, 'Enter the Garden!' He said, 'If my people only knew.' (36:26)

The Companions of the Garden are busy enjoying themselves today, they and their wives reclining on couches in the shade. They will have fruits there and whatever they request. 'Peace!' A word from a Merciful Lord. (36:55-58)

They will have preordained provision: sweet fruits and high honour in Gardens of Delight on couches face to face; a cup from a flowing spring passing round among them, as white as driven snow, delicious to those who drink, which has no headache in it and does not leave them stupefied. There will be dark-eyed maidens with them, with eyes reserved for them alone, just like closely guarded pearls. They will confront each other, questioning one another. One of them will say, 'I used to have a friend who would say to me, "Are you one of those who say that it is true: that when we have died and are turned to dust and bones, we will face a Reckoning?"' He will say, 'Are you looking down?' So he will look down and see him in the midst of the Blazing Fire

and say, 'By Allah, you almost ruined me! If it were not for the blessing of my Lord, I would have been among those arraigned.' (37:41-57)

(A believer will say,) 'Truly this is the Great Victory! It is for the like of this that all workers should work!' (37:60-61)

Gardens of Eden, whose gates will be open to them, where they will recline, calling for plentiful fruit and drink; and there will be dark-eyed maidens with them with eyes reserved for them alone. This is what you are promised on the Day of Reckoning. This is Our provision which will never run out. (38:50-54)

And those who have fear of their Lord will be driven to the Garden in companies and when they arrive there, finding its gates open, its custodians will say to them, 'Peace be upon you! You have done well so enter it timelessly, for ever.' (39:73)

They will say, 'Praise be to Allah Who has fulfilled His promise to us and made us the inheritors of this land, letting us settle in the Garden wherever we want. How excellent is the wage of those who work!' (39:74)

(Angels ask forgiveness for the believers,) 'Our Lord, admit them to the Gardens of Eden You have promised them, and all of their parents, wives and children who acted rightly. Truly You are the Almighty, the All-Wise.' (40:8)

Whoever does an evil act will only be repaid with its equivalent. But whoever acts rightly, male or female, being a believer, such a person will enter the Garden, provided for in it without any reckoning. (40:40)

The angels descend on those who say, 'Our Lord is Allah,' and then go straight: 'Do not fear and do not grieve but rejoice in the Garden you have been promised.' (41:30)

Accordingly We have revealed to you an Arabic Qur'an so that you may warn the Mother of Cities and those around it, and give warning of the Day of Gathering about which there is no doubt: one group in the Garden, the other in the Blazing Fire. (42:7)

You will see the wrongdoers afraid of what they have earned, when it is about to land right on top of them, whereas those who believe and do right

actions will be in the lush Meadows of the Gardens. They will have whatever they wish for with their Lord. That is the great favour. (42:22) (Believers will be told,) 'Enter the Garden, you and your wives, delighting in your joy.' Platters and cups of gold will be passed around among them and they will have there all that their hearts desire and their eyes find delight in. You will remain in it timelessly, for ever. That is the Garden you will inherit for what you did. There will be many fruits in it for you to eat. (43:70-73)

The people who guard against evil will be in a safe place amid gardens and fountains, wearing fine silk and rich brocade, face to face with one another. So it will be. We will marry them to dark-eyed maidens. They will call there for fruit of every kind, in complete security. They will not taste any death there—except for the first one. He will safeguard them from the punishment of the Blazing Fire. A favour from your Lord. That is the Great Victory. (44:51-57)

Such people are the Companions of the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever, as repayment for what they did. (46:14)

Those are people whose best deeds will be accepted and whose wrong deeds will be overlooked. They are among the Companions of the Garden, in fulfilment of the true promise made to them. (46:16)

And He will admit them into the Garden which He has made known to them. (47: 6)

Allah will admit those who believe to Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Those who disbelieve have their enjoyment, eating as cattle eat, but the Fire will be their final residence. (47:12)

An image of the Garden which is promised to those who guard against evil: in it there are rivers of water which will never spoil and rivers of milk whose taste will never change and rivers of wine, delightful to all who drink it, and rivers of honey of undiluted purity; in it they will have fruit of every kind and forgiveness from their Lord. Is that like those who will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever, with boiling water to drink which lacerates their bowels? (47:15)

(It is) so that He may admit the men and women

of the believers into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and erase their bad actions from them; and in Allah's sight that is a mighty victory. (48:5)

There is no constraint on the blind, nor on the lame, nor on the sick. We will admit all who obey Allah and His Messenger into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. But We will punish with a painful punishment anyone who turns his back. (48:17)

And the Garden will be brought up close to the heedful, not far away: 'This is what you were promised. It is for every careful penitent: those who fear the All-Merciful in the Unseen and come with a contrite heart. Enter it in peace. This is the Day of Timeless Eternity.' They will have there everything they want and with Us there is still more. (50:31-35)

The heedful will be among Gardens and Fountains, receiving what their Lord has given them. Certainly before that they were good-doers. (51:15-16)

The people who guard against evil will be in Gardens of Delight, savouring what their Lord has given them. Their Lord will safeguard them from the punishment of the Blazing Fire: 'Eat and drink with relish for what you did.' They will recline on couches ranged in rows and We will marry them to dark-eyed maidens. (52:17-20)

We will supply them with any kind of fruit and meat that they desire. They will pass round there a drinking cup to one another with no foolish talk and no wrong action in it. Circulating among them there will be youths like hidden pearls. Some of them will come up to others and they will question one another. They will say, 'Beforehand we used live in fear among our families. But Allah was gracious to us and safeguarded us from the punishment of the searing wind.' (52:22-27)

He saw him again another time by the Lote-tree of the Final Limit, beside which is the Garden of Refuge. (53:13-15)

The people who guard against evil will be amid Gardens and Rivers. (54:54)

For those who fear the Station of their Lord there are two Gardens. (55:46)

Shaded by spreading branches. (55:48)  
In them are two clear flowing springs. (55:50)  
In them are two kinds of every fruit. (55:52)  
They will be reclining on couches lined with rich brocade, the fruits of the Gardens hanging close to hand. (55:54)

In them are maidens with eyes for them alone, untouched before them by either man or jinn. (55:56)

Like precious gems of ruby and pearl. (55:58)  
Will the reward for doing good be anything other than good? (55:60)

As well as those two there will be two other Gardens. (55:62)

Of deep viridian green. (55:64)

In them are two gushing springs. (55:66)

In them are fruits and date-palms and pomegranates. (55:68)

In them are sweet, lovely maidens. (55:70)

Dark-eyed, secluded in cool pavilions. (55:72)

Untouched before them by either man or jinn. (55:74)

Reclining on green quilts and exquisite rugs. (55:76)

And the Forerunners, the Forerunners. Those are the Ones Brought Near in Gardens of Delight. A large group of the earlier people but few of the later ones. On sumptuous woven couches, reclining on them face to face. There will circulate among them, ageless youths, carrying goblets and decanters and a cup from a flowing spring—it does not give them any headache nor does it leave them stupefied. And any fruit they specify and any bird-meat they desire. And dark-eyed maidens like hidden pearls. As recompense for what they did. They will hear no prattling in it nor any word of wrong. All that is said is, ‘Peace! Peace!’ And the Companions of the Right: what of the Companions of the Right? Amid thornless lote-trees and fruit-laden acacias and wide-spreading shade and outpouring water and fruits in abundance never failing, unrestricted. And on elevated couches We have brought maidens into being and made them purest virgins, devoted, passionate, of like age, for the Companions of the Right. A large group of the earlier people and a large group of the later ones. (56:10-40)

But the truth is that if he is one of Those Brought Near, there is solace and sweetness and a Garden of Delight. And if he is one of the Companions of the Right, ‘Peace be upon you!’ from the Companions of the Right. (56:88-91)

On the Day you see the men and women of the believers, with their light streaming out in front of them, and to their right: ‘Good news for you today of Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the Great Victory.’ (57:12)

Race each other to forgiveness from your Lord and to a Garden, whose breadth is like that of heaven and earth combined, made ready for those who believe in Allah and His Messengers. That is Allah’s favour which He gives to those He wills. Allah’s favour is indeed immense. (57:21)

You will not find people who believe in Allah and the Last Day having love for anyone who opposes Allah and His Messenger, though they be their fathers, their sons, their brothers or their clan. Allah has inscribed faith upon such people’s hearts and will reinforce them with a Spirit from Him and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. Such people are the party of Allah. Truly it is the party of Allah who are successful. (58:22)

The Companions of the Fire and the Companions of the Garden are not the same. It is the Companions of the Garden who are the victors. (59:20)

He will forgive you your wrong actions and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, and fine dwellings in the Gardens of Eden. That is the Great Victory. (61:12)

On the Day He gathers you for the Day of Gathering—that is the Day of Profit and Loss. As for those who believe in Allah and act rightly, We will erase their bad actions from them and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. That is the Great Victory! (64:9)

(Allah has sent down) a Messenger reciting Allah’s Clear Signs to you to bring those who believe and do right actions out of the darkness into

the Light. Whoever believes in Allah and acts rightly, We will admit him into Gardens with rivers flowing under them remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah has provided for him excellently! (65:11)

You who believe! Repent to Allah. It may be that your Lord will erase your bad actions from you and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them on the Day when Allah will not disgrace the Prophet and those who believed along with him. Their light will stream out ahead of them and on their right. They will say, 'Our Lord, perfect our light for us and forgive us! You have power over all things.' (66:8)

Allah has made an example for those who believe: the wife of Pharaoh when she said, 'My Lord, build a house in the Garden for me in Your presence and rescue me from Pharaoh and his deeds and rescue me from this wrongdoing people.' (66:11)

The people who guard against evil will have Gardens of Delight with their Lord. (68:34)

As for him who is given his Book in his right hand, he will say, 'Here, come and read my Book! I counted on meeting my Reckoning.' He will have a very pleasant life in an elevated Garden, its ripe fruit hanging close to hand. 'Eat and drink with relish for what you did before in days gone by!' (69:19-24)

Those who honour their trusts and contracts; those who stand by their testimony; those who safeguard their prayer; such people will be in Gardens, highly honoured. (70:32-35)

Does each one of them aspire to be admitted into a Garden of Delight? (70:38)

So Allah has safeguarded them from the evil of that Day and has made them meet with radiance and pure joy, and will reward them for their steadfastness with a Garden and with silk. Reclining in it on couches, they will experience there neither burning sun nor bitter cold. Its shading branches will droop down over them, its ripe fruit hanging ready to be picked. Vessels of silver and goblets of pure crystal will be passed round among them, crystalline silver—they have measured them very exactly. They will be given there a cup to drink mixed with the warmth of

ginger. In it there is a flowing spring called Salsabil. Ageless youths will circulate among them, serving them. Seeing them, you would think them scattered pearls. Seeing them, you see delight and a great kingdom. They will wear green garments of fine silk and rich brocade. They will be adorned with silver bracelets. And their Lord will give them a pure draught to drink. 'This is your reward. Your striving is fully acknowledged.' (76:11-22)

For those who guard against evil there is triumph: Gardens and grape vines, and nubile maidens of similar age, and an overflowing cup, where they will hear no prattle and no denial, a recompense from your Lord, a commensurate gift. (78:31-36) But as for him who feared the Station of his Lord and forbade the lower self its appetites, the Garden will be his refuge. (79:40-41)

When the Fire is set ablaze, when the Garden is brought up close: then each self will know what it has done. (81:12-14)

But those who believe and do right actions will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them. That is the Great Victory. (85:11)

Some faces on that Day will be radiant, well-pleased with their efforts in an elevated Garden where no prattle is ever heard. In it is a gushing spring and raised-up couches, and set-out goblets, and lined-up cushions, and spread-out rugs. (88:8-16)

'O self at rest and at peace, return to your Lord, well-pleasing and well-pleased! Enter among My servants! Enter My Garden.' (89:27-30)

But those who believe and do right actions—they are the best of creatures. Their reward is with their Lord: Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. That is for those who fear their Lord. (98:7-8)

## GARMENT

Children of Adam! We have sent down clothing to you to conceal your private parts, and fine apparel, but the garment of heedfulness—that is best! That is one of Allah's Signs, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (7:26)

See how they wrap themselves round trying to conceal their feelings from Him! No, indeed! When they wrap their garments round themselves, He knows what they keep secret and what they make public. He knows what their hearts contain. (11:5)

That Day you will see the evildoers yoked together in chains, wearing shirts of tar, their faces enveloped in the Fire. (14:49-50)

It is He Who made the sea subservient to you so that you can eat fresh flesh from it and bring out from it ornaments to wear. And you see the ships cleaving through it so that you can seek His bounty, and so that hopefully you will show thanks. (16:14)

They will have Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them. They will be adorned in them with bracelets made of gold and wear green garments made of the finest silk and rich brocade, reclining there on couches under canopies. What an excellent reward! What a wonderful repose! (18:31)

We taught him (Dawud) the art of making garments for you to protect you against each others' violence, but do you show any thanks? (21:80)

Here are two rival groups who disputed concerning their Lord. Those who disbelieve will have garments of fire cut out for them, and boiling water poured over their heads. (22:19)

O Prophet! Tell your wives and daughters and the women of the believers to draw their outer garments closely round themselves. This makes it more likely that they will be recognised and not be harmed. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:59)

They will wear green garments of fine silk and rich brocade. They will be adorned with silver bracelets. And their Lord will give them a pure draught to drink. (76:21)

## GATHERING

Remember Allah on the designated days. Those who hurry on in two days have done no wrong, and those who stay another day have done no wrong—those of them who guard against evil. So have fear of Allah. And know that you will be gathered back to Him. (2:203)

(People of intelligence say,) ‘Our Lord, You are the Gatherer of mankind to a Day of which there is no doubt. Allah will not break His promise.’ (3:9)

But how will it be when We gather them all together for a Day about which there is no doubt? Every self will be paid in full for what it earned. They will not be wronged. (3:25)

If you have received a wound, they have already received a similar wound. We deal out such days to people turn by turn, so that Allah will know those who believe and can gather martyrs from among you—Allah does not love wrongdoers. (3:140)

If you die or you are killed, it is to Allah that you will be gathered. (3:158)

Allah, there is no god but Him. He will gather you to the Day of Rising about which there is no doubt. And whose speech could be truer than Allah's? (4:87)

It has been sent down to you in the Book that when you hear Allah's Signs being rejected and mocked at by people, you must not sit with them till they start talking of other things. If you do you are just the same as them. Allah will gather all the hypocrites and disbelievers into Hell. (4:140) The Messiah would never disdain to be a servant to Allah nor would the angels near to Him. If any do disdain to worship Him, and grow arrogant, He will in any case gather them all to Him. (4:172)

Anything you catch in the sea is lawful for you, and all food from it, for your enjoyment and that of travellers, but land game is forbidden for you while you are in the state of pilgrimage. So have fear of Allah, Him to Whom you will be gathered. (5:96)

On the day Allah gathers the Messengers together and says, ‘What response did you receive?’ they will say, ‘We do not know. You are the Knower of unseen things.’ (5:109)

Say: ‘To whom does everything in the heavens and earth belong?’ Say: ‘To Allah.’ He has made mercy incumbent on Himself. He will gather you to the Day of Rising about which there is no doubt. As for those who have lost their own selves, they have no faith. (6:12)

On the Day We gather them all together, We will say to those who associated others with Allah, 'Where are the partner-gods, for whom you made such claims?' (6:22)

There is no creature crawling on the earth or flying creature, flying on its wings, who are not communities just like yourselves—We have not omitted anything from the Book—then they will be gathered to their Lord. (6:38)

Warn by it those who fear they will be gathered to their Lord, having no protector or intercessor apart from Him, so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (6:51)

(Say:) 'And (we are commanded) to perform prayer and have fear of Him. It is He to Whom you will be gathered.' (6:72)

On the Day We gather them all together: 'Company of jinn, you gained many followers among mankind.' And their friends among mankind will say, 'Our Lord, we benefited from one another, and now we have reached the term which You determined for us.' He will say, 'The Fire is your home. You will be in it timelessly, for ever, except as Allah wills. Your Lord is All-Wise, All-Knowing.' (6:128)

You who believe! Respond to Allah and to the Messenger when He calls you to what will bring you to life! Know that Allah intervenes between a man and his heart and that you will be gathered to Him. (8:24)

Those who disbelieve spend their wealth barring access to the Way of Allah. They will spend it; then they will regret it; then they will be overthrown. Those who disbelieve will be gathered into Hell. (8:36)

On the Day We gather them all together, We will say then to those who associated others with Allah, 'To your place, you and your partner-gods!' Then We will sift them out, and their partner-gods will say, 'It was not us you worshipped.' (10:28)

On the day We gather them together—when it will seem if they had tarried no more than an hour of a single day—they will recognise one another. Those who denied the meeting with Allah will have lost. They were not guided. (10:45)

There is certainly a Sign in that for anyone who

fears the punishment of the hereafter. That is a Day to which mankind will all be gathered. That is a Day which will be witnessed by everyone. (11:103)

It is your Lord Who will gather them. He is All-Wise, All-Knowing. (15:25)

Whoever Allah guides is truly guided. But as for those He leads astray, you will not find any protectors for them apart from Him. We will gather them on the Day of Rising, flat on their faces, blind, dumb and deaf. Their shelter will be Hell. Whenever the Blaze dies down, We will increase it for them. (17:97)

On the Day We make the mountains move and you see the earth laid bare and We gather them together, not leaving out a single one of them. (18:47)

We will abandon them, that Day, to pound against each other in surging waves and the Trumpet will be blown and We will gather them all together. (18:99)

By your Lord, We will collect them and the Satans together. Then We will assemble them around Hell on their knees. (19:68)

When Our Clear Signs are recited to them, those who disbelieve say to those who believe, 'Which of the two parties has the better position and the more illustrious gathering?' (19:73)

On that Day We will gather those who guard against evil to the All-Merciful with due ceremony. (19:85)

On the Day the Trumpet is blown—and We will gather the evildoers sightless on that Day. (20:102)

(Allah said to Adam,) 'But if anyone turns away from My reminder, his life will be a dark and narrow one and on the Day of Rising We will gather him blind.' (20:124)

He will say, 'My Lord, why have you gathered me blind when before I was able to see?' (20:125)

It is He Who dispersed you about the earth and you will be gathered to Him. (23:79)

On the Day We gather them together, and those they worship besides Allah, and say, 'Did you misguide these servants of Mine or did they stray from the way of their own accord?' (25:17)

On the Day We gather them all together and then say to the angels, 'Was it you whom these people were worshipping?' (34:40)

Accordingly We have revealed to you an Arabic Qur'an so that you may warn the Mother of Cities and those around it, and give warning of the Day of Gathering about which there is no doubt: one group in the Garden, the other in the Blazing Fire. (42:7)

So call and go straight as you have been ordered to. Do not follow their whims and desires but say, 'I believe in a Book sent down by Allah and I am ordered to be just between you. Allah is our Lord and your Lord. We have our actions and you have your actions. There is no debate between us and you. Allah will gather us all together. He is our final destination.' (42:15)

Among His Signs is the creation of the heavens and earth and all the creatures He has spread about in them. And He has the power to gather them together whenever He wills. (42:29) Say: 'Allah gives you life, then causes you to die, and then will gather you together for the Day of Rising about which there is no doubt. But most people do not know it.' (45:26)

When mankind is gathered together, they will be their enemies and will reject their worship. (46:6) The Day the earth splits open all around them as they come rushing forth, that is a gathering, easy for Us to accomplish. (50:44)

Say: 'The earlier and the later peoples will certainly all be gathered.' (56:49)

You who believe! When you confer together secretly, do not do so in wrongdoing and enmity and disobedience to the Messenger; rather confer together in goodness and fear of Allah. Have fear of Allah–Him to Whom you will be gathered. (58:9)

On the Day He gathers you for the Day of Gathering—that is the Day of Profit and Loss. As for those who believe in Allah and act rightly, We will erase their bad actions from them and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. That is the Great Victory! (64:9)

Say: 'It is He Who scattered you about the earth and you will be gathered to Him.' (67:24)

'This is the Day of Decision. We have gathered you and the earlier peoples.' (77:38)

## **AL-GAYB (SEE THE UNSEEN)**

### **GENERATION**

Have they not seen how many generations We destroyed before them which We had established on the earth far more firmly than We have established you? We sent down heaven upon them in abundant rain and made rivers flow under them. But We destroyed them for their wrong actions and raised up further generations after them. (6:6)

We destroyed generations before you when they did wrong. Their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs, but they were never going to believe. That is how We repay evildoers. (10:13)

Would that there had been more people with a vestige of good among the generations of those who came before you, who forbade corruption in the earth, other than the few among them whom We saved. Those who did wrong gladly pursued the life of luxury that they were given and were evildoers. (11:116)

An evil generation succeeded them who neglected the prayer and followed their appetites. They will plunge into the Valley of Evil. (19:59)

How many generations We have destroyed before them who had finer furnishings and a better outward show! (19:74)

How many generations We have destroyed before them! Do you see a trace of any one of them or hear even a whisper of them? (19:98)

He (Pharaoh) said, 'What about the previous generations?' (20:51)

Are they not guided by the many generations We have destroyed before them, among whose dwelling places they walk about? There are Signs in that for people of sound intellect. (20:128)

Then We raised up other generations after them. (23:42)

The same goes for 'Ad and Thamud and the Companions of the Rass and many generations in between. (25:38)

Yet We produced further generations and ages passed. Nor did you live among the people of

Madyan and recite Our Signs to them, yet We have sent you news of them. (28:45)

He (Qarun) said, 'I have only been given it because of knowledge I have.' Did he not know that before him Allah had destroyed generations with far greater strength than his and far more possessions? The evildoers will not be questioned about their sins. (28:78)

Are they not guided by the many generations We destroyed before them, among whose ruined homes they walk around? There are certainly Signs in that. So will they not listen? (32:26)  
Do they not see how many generations before them We have destroyed and that they will not return to them? (36:31)

But what of him who says to his parents, 'Fie on you! Do you promise me that I will be resurrected when generations before me have passed away?' They both call on Allah for help: 'Woe to you! Believe! Allah's promise is true.' But he says, 'This is nothing but the myths of previous peoples.' (46:17)

How many generations before them We destroyed who had greater force than them and scoured many lands! Did they find any way of escape? (50:36)

## GENTLENESS

In this way We have made you a middlemost community, so that you may act as witnesses against mankind and the Messenger as a witness against you. We only appointed the direction you used to face in order to know those who follow the Messenger from those who turn round on their heels. Though in truth it is a very hard thing—except for those Allah has guided. Allah would never let your faith go to waste. Allah is All-Gentle, Most Merciful to mankind. (2:143)  
And among the people there are some who give up everything, desiring the good pleasure of Allah. Allah is Ever-Gentle with His servants. (2:207)

On the Day that each self finds the good it did, and the evil it did, present there in front of it, it will wish there were an age between it and then. Allah advises you to beware of Him. Allah is Ever-Gentle with His servants. (3:30)

A Messenger has come to you from among yourselves. Your suffering is distressing to him; he is deeply concerned for you; he is gentle and merciful to the believers. (9:128)

They carry your loads to lands you would never reach except with great difficulty. Your Lord is All-Gentle, Most Merciful. (16:7)

It is He Who sends down Clear Signs to His servant to bring you out of the darkness to the light. Allah is All-Gentle with you, Most Merciful. (57:9)

Those who have come after them say, 'Our Lord, forgive us and our brothers who preceded us in faith and do not put any rancour in our hearts towards those who believe. Our Lord, You are All-Gentle, Most Merciful.' (59:10)

## GIFT

There is nothing wrong in your divorcing women before you have touched them or allotted a dowry to them. But give them a gift—he who is wealthy according to his means and he who is less well off according to his means—a gift to be given with correctness and courtesy: a duty for all good-doers. (2:236)

If someone is in difficult circumstances, there should be a deferral until things are easier. But making a free gift of it would be better for you if you only knew. (2:280)

Give women their dowry as an outright gift. But if they are happy to give you some of it, make use of it with pleasure and goodwill. (4:4)

They are pursued by a curse in this world and on the Day of Rising. What an evil gift to be given! (11:99)

As for those who are glad, they will be in the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever, as long as the heavens and earth endure, except as your Lord wills: an uninterrupted gift. (11:108)  
(Queen of Sheba said,) 'I will send them a gift and then wait and see what the messengers bring back.' When it reached Sulayman he said, 'Would you give me wealth when what Allah has given me is better than what He has given you? No, rather it is you who delight in your gift.' (27:35-36)

You who believe! When you marry believing

women and then divorce them before you have touched them, there is no waiting period for you to calculate for them, so give them a gift and let them go with kindness. (33:49)

(We said to Sulayman,) 'This is Our gift: so bestow it or withhold it without reckoning.' (38:39)

Are you afraid to give gifts of charity before your private consultation? If you do not and Allah turns to you, at least perform prayer and give the alms, and obey Allah and His Messenger. Allah is aware of what you do. (58:13)

Gardens and grape vines, and nubile maidens of similar age, and an overflowing cup, where they will hear no prattle and no denial, a recompense from your Lord, a commensurate gift. (78:32-36)

## **GINGER**

(In the Gardens of Paradise) they will be given there a cup to drink mixed with the warmth of ginger. (76:17)

## **GIRL**

When she gave birth, she said, 'My Lord! I have given birth to a girl'—and Allah knew very well what she had given birth to, male and female are not the same—and I have named her Maryam and placed her and her children in Your safe-keeping from the accursed Satan.' (3:36)

When one of them is given the good news of a baby girl, his face darkens and he is furious. (16:58)

O Prophet! We have made lawful for you: your wives to whom you have given dowries and any slavegirls you own from the booty Allah has allotted you and the daughters of your paternal uncles and the daughters of your paternal aunts and the daughters of your maternal uncles and the daughters of your maternal aunts who have migrated with you and any believing woman who gives herself to the Prophet if the Prophet desires to marry her: exclusively for you as opposed to the rest of the believers—We know very well what We have prescribed for them regarding their wives and any slavegirls they possess—in order that there be no restriction on you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:50)

When the baby girl buried alive is asked, for

what crime she was killed. (81:8-9)

## **GIVING**

Give women their dowry as an outright gift. But if they are happy to give you some of it, make use of it with pleasure and goodwill. (4:4)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Praise be to Allah Who, despite my old age, has given me Isma'il and Ishaq. My Lord is the Hearer of Prayer.' (14:39)

(Zakariyya said,) 'I fear my relatives when I am gone and my wife is barren, so give me an heir from You.' (19:5)

He (Our Spirit) said (to Maryam), 'I am only your Lord's messenger so that He can give you a pure boy.' (19:19)

When he (Ibrahim) had separated himself from them, and what they worshipped besides Allah, We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, making each of them a Prophet. (19:49)

And in addition to that We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub and made both of them righteous. (21:72)

We responded to him and gave him Yahya, restoring for him his wife's fertility. They outdid one another in good actions, calling out to Us in yearning and in awe, and humbling themselves to Us. (21:90)

(Believers are) those who say, 'Our Lord, give us joy in our wives and children and make us a good example for those who guard against evil'. (25:74)

(Ibrahim said,) 'My Lord, give me right judgement and unite me with the righteous.' (26:83)

(Queen of Sheba said,) 'I will send them a gift and then wait and see what the messengers bring back.' When it reached Sulayman he said, 'Would you give me wealth when what Allah has given me is better than what He has given you? No, rather it is you who delight in your gift.' (27:35-36)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub and placed Prophethood and the Book among his progeny. We gave him his reward in this world and in the hereafter he will be among the righteous. (29:27)

Or do they possess the treasures of your Lord's mercy, the Almighty, the Ever-Giving? (38:9)

We gave Dawud Sulayman. What an excellent servant! He truly turned to his Lord. (38:30)

He (Sulayman) said, 'My Lord, forgive me and give me a kingdom the like of which will never be granted to anyone after me. Truly You are the Ever-Giving.' (38:35)

We gave him (Ayyub) back his family and the same again with them as a mercy from Us and a reminder for people of intellect. (38:43)

The kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs to Allah. He creates whatever He wills. He gives daughters to whoever He wishes; and He gives sons to whoever He wishes. (42:49)

## GLASS

Allah is the Light of the heavens and the earth. The metaphor of His Light is that of a niche in which is a lamp, the lamp inside a glass, the glass like a brilliant star, lit from a blessed tree, an olive, neither of the east nor of the west, its oil all but giving off light even if no fire touches it. Light upon Light. Allah guides to His Light whoever He wills and Allah makes metaphors for mankind and Allah has knowledge of all things. (24:35)  
She was told: 'Enter the courtyard,' but when she saw it she supposed it to be a pool and bared her legs. He (Sulayman) said, 'It is a courtyard paved with glass.' She said, 'My Lord, I have wronged myself but I have submitted with Sulayman to the Lord of all the worlds.' (27:44)

## GLORIFICATION

He (Zakariyya) said, 'My Lord, appoint a Sign for me.' He said, 'Your Sign is that you will not speak to people for three days, except by gesture. Remember your Lord much and glorify Him in the evening and after dawn.' (3:41)

Those who are in the presence of your Lord do not consider themselves too great to worship Him. They glorify His praise and they prostrate to Him. (7:206)

The thunder glorifies His praise, as do the angels, out of fear of Him. He discharges the thunderbolts, striking with them anyone He wills. Yet still they argue about Allah when He is inexorable in His power! (13:13)

So glorify your Lord with praise and be one of the prostrators. (15:98)

The seven heavens and the earth and everyone in

them glorify Him. There is nothing which does not glorify Him with praise but you do not understand their glorification. He is All-Forbearing, Ever-Forgiving. (17:44)

He (Zakariyya) came out to his people from the Upper Room and gestured to them to glorify Allah in the morning and the evening. (19:11)

(Musa said,) 'Assign me a helper from my family, my brother Harun. Strengthen my back by him and let him share in my task, so that we can glorify You much.' (20:29-33)

So be steadfast in the face of what they say and glorify your Lord with praise before the rising of the sun and before its setting. And glorify Him during part of the night and at both ends of the day, so that hopefully you will be pleased. (20:130)

They glorify Him by night and day, without ever flagging. (21:20)

We gave Sulayman understanding of it. We gave each of them judgement and knowledge. We subjected the mountains to Dawud, glorifying, and the birds as well. This is something We are well able to do. (21:79)

In houses which Allah has permitted to be built and in which His name is remembered, there are men who proclaim His glory morning and evening, (24:36)

Do you not see that everyone in the heavens and earth glorifies Allah, as do the birds with their outspread wings? Each one knows its prayer and glorification. Allah knows what they do. (24:41)  
Put your trust in the Living Who does not die and glorify Him with praise. He is well aware of the wrong actions of His servants. (25:58)

The people who truly do believe in Our Signs are those who fall to the ground prostrating when they are reminded of them, and glorify their Lord with praise, and are not arrogant. (32:15)

You who believe! Remember Allah much, and glorify Him in the morning and the evening. (33:41-42)

Had it not been that he was a man who glorified Allah, he (Yunus) would have remained inside its belly until the Day they are raised again. (37:143-144)

(Angels say,) 'We are those who glorify.' (37:166)

We subjected the mountains to glorify with him in the evening and at sunrise. (38:18)

You will see the angels circling round the Throne, glorifying their Lord with praise. It will be decided between them with truth. And it will be said: 'Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds.' (39:75)

Those who bear the Throne, and all those around it, glorify their Lord with praise and believe in Him and ask forgiveness for those who believe: 'Our Lord, You encompass everything in mercy and knowledge! Forgive those who turn to You and who follow Your Way and safeguard them from the punishment of the Blazing Fire.' (40:7) So remain steadfast. Allah's promise is true. Ask forgiveness for your wrong action and glorify your Lord with praise in the evening and the early morning. (40:55)

If they grow arrogant, those who are with your Lord glorify Him night and day and never grow tired. (41:38)

The heavens are all but rent asunder from above when the angels glorify their Lord with praise and ask forgiveness for those who are on the earth. Allah is the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful. (42:5)

(It is) so that you might all believe in Allah and His Messenger and honour Him and respect Him and glorify Him in the morning and the evening. (48:9)

So be patient in the face of what they say and glorify your Lord with praise before the rising of the sun and before it sets. (50:39)

And glorify Him during the night and after you have prostrated. (50:40)

So wait steadfastly for the judgement of your Lord—you are certainly before Our eyes. And glorify and praise your Lord when you get up. (52:48)

And glorify Him in the night and when the stars fade out. (52:49)

So glorify the name of your Lord, the Magnificent! (56:74)

So glorify the Name of your Lord, the Magnificent! (56:96)

Everything in the heavens and the earth glorifies Allah. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (57:1)

Everything in the heavens and everything in the earth glorifies Allah. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (59:1)

He is Allah—the Creator, the Maker, the Giver of Form. To Him belong the Most Beautiful Names. Everything in the heavens and earth glorifies Him. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (59:24)

Everything in the heavens and everything in the earth glorifies Allah. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (61:1)

Everything in the heavens and everything in the earth glorifies Allah, the King, the All-Pure, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (62:1)

Everything in the heavens and everything on earth glorifies Allah. Sovereignty and praise belong to Him. He has power over all things. (64:1)

The best of them said, 'Did I not say to you, "Why do you not glorify Allah?"' (68:28)

Glorify then the name of your Lord, the Magnificent. (69:52)

Prostrate to Him during the night and glorify Him throughout the long night. (76:26)

Glorify the Name of your Lord, the Most High. (87:1)

Then glorify your Lord's praise and ask His forgiveness. He is the Ever-Returning. (110:3)

## **GOAT**

There are eight in pairs: A pair of sheep and a pair of goats—Say: 'Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Tell me with knowledge if you are being truthful.' (6:143)

## **GOBLET**

Vessels of silver and goblets of pure crystal will be passed round among them. (76:15)

## **GOG AND MAGOG (SEE YAJUJ AND MAJUJ)**

## **GOING BEYOND THE LIMITS**

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces—its green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,' he said, 'Do you want to replace what is

better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.' Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon themselves. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

You who believe! Retaliation is prescribed for you in the case of people killed: free man for free man, slave for slave, female for female. But if someone is absolved by his brother, blood-money should be claimed with correctness and paid with good will. That is an easement and a mercy from your Lord. Anyone who goes beyond the limits after this will receive a painful punishment. (2:178)

Fight in the Way of Allah against those who fight you, but do not go beyond the limits. Allah does not love those who go beyond the limits. (2:190) Divorce can be pronounced two times; in which case wives may be retained with correctness and courtesy or released with good will. It is not lawful for you to keep anything you have given them unless a couple fear that they will not remain within Allah's limits. If you fear that they will not remain within Allah's limits, there is nothing wrong in the wife ransoming herself with some of what she received. These are Allah's limits, so do not overstep them. Those who overstep Allah's limits are wrongdoers. (2:229)

They will be plunged into abasement wherever they are found, unless they have a treaty with Allah and with the people. They have brought down anger from Allah upon themselves, and they have been plunged into destitution. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they disobeyed and went beyond the limits. (3:112)

You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque

(Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

## GOING TO WASTE

In this way We have made you a middlemost community, so that you may act as witnesses against mankind and the Messenger as a witness against you. We only appointed the direction you used to face in order to know those who follow the Messenger from those who turn round on their heels. Though in truth it is a very hard thing—except for those Allah has guided. Allah would never let your faith go to waste. Allah is All-Gentle, Most Merciful to mankind. (2:143)

(Those killed in the way of Allah are) rejoicing in blessings and favour from Allah and that Allah does not let the wage of the believers go to waste. (3:171)

Their Lord responds to them: 'I will not let the deeds of any doer among you go to waste, male or female—you are both the same in that respect. Those who migrated and were driven from their homes and suffered harm in My Way and fought and were killed, I will erase their bad actions from them and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, as a reward from Allah. The best of all rewards is with Allah.' (3:195)

As for those who hold fast to the Book and perform prayer, We will not let the wage of the righteous be wasted. (7:170)

It was not for people of Madina, and the desert arabs around them, to remain behind the Messenger of Allah nor to prefer themselves to him. That is because no thirst or weariness or hunger will afflict them in the Way of Allah, nor will they take a single step to infuriate the disbelievers, nor secure any gain from the enemy, without a right action being written down for them because of it. Allah does not let the wage of the good-doers go to waste. (9:120)

And be steadfast. Allah does not let the wage of good-doers go to waste. (11:115)

And thus We established Yusuf in the land so he

could live in any place he pleased. We grant Our grace to anyone We will and We do not allow to go to waste the wage of any people who do good. (12:56)

They said, 'Are you Yusuf?' He said, 'I am indeed Yusuf, and this here is my brother. Allah has acted graciously to us. As for those who fear Allah and are steadfast, Allah does not allow to go to waste the wage of any people who do good.' (12:90)  
But as for those who believe and do right actions, We will not let the wage of good-doers go to waste. (18:30)

## GOLD

To mankind the love of worldly appetites is painted in glowing colours: women and children, and heaped-up mounds of gold and silver, and horses with fine markings, and livestock and fertile farmland. All that is merely the enjoyment of the life of this world. The best homecoming is in the presence of Allah. (3:14)

Among the People of the Book there are some who, if you entrust them with a pile of gold, will return it to you. But there are others among them who, if you entrust them with just a single dinar, will not return it to you, unless you stay standing over them. That is because they say, 'We are under no obligation where the gentiles are concerned.' They tell a lie against Allah and they know it. (3:75)

As for those who disbelieve and die while they are disbelievers, the whole earth filled with gold would not be accepted from any of them if they were to offer it as a ransom. They will have a painful punishment. They will have no helpers. (3:91)

You who believe! Many of the rabbis and monks devour people's property under false pretences and bar people from access to the Way of Allah. As for those who hoard up gold and silver and do not spend it in the Way of Allah, give them the news of a painful punishment. (9:34)

They say, 'We will not believe you until you make a spring gush out from the earth for us; or have a garden of dates and grapes which you make rivers come pouring through; or make the sky, as you claim, fall down on us in lumps; or

bring Allah and the angels here as a guarantee; or possess a house built out of gleaming gold; or ascend up into heaven—and even then we will not believe in your ascent unless you bring us down a book to read!' Say: 'Glory be to my Lord! Am I anything but a human messenger?' (17:90-93)  
They will have Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them. They will be adorned in them with bracelets made of gold and wear green garments made of the finest silk and rich brocade, reclining there on couches under canopies. What an excellent reward! What a wonderful repose! (18:31)

But Allah will admit those who believe and do right actions into Gardens with rivers flowing under them where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. (22:23)

They will enter Gardens of Eden where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. (35:33)

Were it not that mankind might all become one community, We would have given those who reject the All-Merciful silver roofs to their houses and silver stairways to ascend and silver doors to their houses and silver couches on which to recline, and gold ornaments. All that is merely the trappings of the life of this world. But the hereafter with your Lord is for those who guard against evil. (43:33-35)

(Pharaoh said to his people,) 'Why have gold bracelets not been put upon his arms and why is there not a train of angels accompanying him?' (43:53)

Platters and cups of gold will be passed around among them and they will have there all that their hearts desire and their eyes find delight in. You will remain in it timelessly, for ever. (43:71)

## GOLIATH (JALUT)

When Talut marched out with the army, he said, 'Allah will test you with a river. Anyone who drinks from it is not with me. But anyone who does not taste it is with me—except for him who merely scoops up a little in his hand.' But they drank from it—except for a few of them. Then when he and those who believed with him had

crossed it, they said, 'We do not have the strength to face Goliath and his troops today.' But those who were sure that they were going to meet Allah said, 'How many a small force has triumphed over a much greater one by Allah's permission! Allah is with the steadfast.' (2:249)

When they came out against Goliath and his troops, they said, 'Our Lord, pour down steadfastness upon us, and make our feet firm, and help us against this disbelieving people.' (2:250) And with Allah's permission they routed them. Dawud killed Goliath and Allah gave him kingship and wisdom and taught him whatever He willed. If it were not for Allah's driving some people back by means of others, the earth would have been corrupted. But Allah shows favour to all the worlds. (2:251)

## GOOD

Perform prayer and give the alms. Any good you send ahead for yourselves, you will find with Allah. Certainly Allah sees what you do. (2:110) Each person faces a particular direction so race each other to the good. Wherever you are, Allah will bring you all together. Truly Allah has power over all things. (2:148)

Spend in the Way of Allah. Do not cast yourselves into destruction. And do good: Allah loves good-doers. (2:195)

The pilgrimage takes place during certain well-known months. If anyone undertakes the obligation of pilgrimage in them, there must be no sexual intercourse, no wrongdoing, nor any quarrelling during pilgrimage. Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. Take provision; but the best provision is fear of Allah. So have fear of Me, people of intelligence! (2:197)

When you have completed your rites, remember Allah as you used to remember your forefathers—or even more. There are some people who say, 'Our Lord, give us good in this world.' They will have no share in the hereafter. And there are others who say, 'Our Lord, give us good in this world, and good in the hereafter, and safeguard us from the punishment of the Fire.' They will have a good share from what they have earned. Allah is swift at reckoning. (2:200-202)

They will ask you what they should give away. Say, 'Any wealth you give away should go to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor and travellers.' Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. (2:215)

Fighting is prescribed for you even if it is hateful to you. It may be that you hate something when it is good for you and it may be that you love something when it is bad for you. Allah knows and you do not know. (2:216)

If you make your charity public, that is good. But if you conceal it and give it to the poor, that is better for you, and We will erase some of your bad actions from you. Allah is aware of what you do. (2:271)

Say, 'O Allah! Master of the Kingdom! You give sovereignty to whoever You will, You take sovereignty from whoever You will. You exalt whoever You will, You abase whoever You will. All good is in Your hands. You have power over all things.' (3:26)

(People who guard against evil are) those who give in times of both ease and hardship, those who control their rage and pardon other people—Allah loves the good-doers. (3:134)

Any good thing that happens to you comes from Allah. Any bad thing that happens to you comes from yourself. We have sent you to mankind as a Messenger. Allah suffices as a Witness. (4:79)

There is no good in much of their secret talk, except in the case of those who enjoin charity, or what is right, or putting things right between people. If anyone does that, seeking the pleasure of Allah, We will give him an immense reward. (4:114)

Who could have a better religion than someone who submits himself completely to Allah and is a good-doer, and follows the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief? Allah took Ibrahim as an intimate friend. (4:125)

Whether you reveal a good act or keep it hidden, or pardon an evil act, Allah is Ever-Pardoning, All-Powerful. (4:149)

And We have sent down the Book to you with truth, confirming and conserving the previous Books. So judge between them by what Allah has sent down and do not follow their whims and de-

sires deviating from the Truth that has come to you. We have appointed a law and a practice for every one of you. Had Allah willed, He would have made you a single community, but He wanted to test you regarding what has come to you. So compete with each other in doing good. Every one of you will return to Allah and He will inform you regarding the things about which you differed. (5:48)

If Allah afflicts you with harm, no one can remove it except Him. If He desires good for you, no one can avert His favour. He bestows it on whichever of His servants He wills. He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (10:107)

Perform prayer at each end of the day and in the first part of the night. Good actions eradicate bad actions. This is a reminder for people who pay heed. (11:114)

Allah is with those who have fear of Him and with those who are good-doers. (16:128)

Every self will taste death. We test you with both good and evil as a trial. And you will be returned to Us. (21:35)

You who believe! Bow and prostrate and worship your Lord, and do good, so that hopefully you will be successful. (22:77)

Such people are truly racing towards good things, and they are the first to reach them. (23:61)

The truly good will drink from a cup mixed with the coolness of camphor. (76:5)

The truly good will be in perfect Bliss. (82:13)

No indeed! The book of the truly good is in 'Illiyyun. (83:18)

The truly good will be in perfect Bliss. (83:22)

## GOOD-DOERS

Remember when We said, 'Go into this town and eat from it wherever you like, freely. Enter the gate prostrating and say, "Relieve us of our burdens!" Your mistakes will be forgiven. We will grant increase to all good-doers.' (2:58)

Not so! All who submit themselves completely to Allah and are good-doers will find their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:112)

Spend in the Way of Allah. Do not cast your-

selves into destruction. And do good: Allah loves good-doers. (2:195)

There is nothing wrong in your divorcing women before you have touched them or allotted a dowry to them. But give them a gift—he who is wealthy according to his means and he who is less well off according to his means—a gift to be given with correctness and courtesy: a duty for all good-doers. (2:236)

Those who give in times of both ease and hardship, those who control their rage and pardon other people—Allah loves the good-doers. (3:134) So Allah gave them the reward of this world and the best reward of the hereafter. Allah loves good-doers. (3:148)

Who could have a better religion than someone who submits himself completely to Allah and is a good-doer, and follows the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief? Allah took Ibrahim as an intimate friend. (4:125)

But because of their breaking of their covenant, We have cursed them and made their hearts hard. They distort the true meaning of words and have forgotten a good portion of what they were reminded of. You will never cease to come upon some act of treachery on their part, except for a few of them. Yet pardon them, and overlook. Allah loves good-doers. (5:13)

Allah will reward them for what they say with Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the recompense of the good-doers. (5:85)

Those who believe and do right actions are not to blame for anything they have eaten provided they guard against evil and believe and do right actions, and then again guard against evil and believe, and then guard against evil and do good. Allah loves good-doers. (5:93)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, each of whom We guided. And before him We had guided Nuh. And among his descendants were Dawud and Sulayman, and Ayyub, Yusuf, Musa and Harun. That is how We recompense the good-doers. (6:84)

Do not corrupt the earth after it has been put right. Call on Him fearfully and eagerly. Allah's mercy is close to the good-doers. (7:56)

When they were told: 'Live in this town and eat of it wherever you like and say, "Relieve us of our burdens!" and enter the gate prostrating. Your mistakes will be forgiven you. We will grant increase to good-doers.' (7:161)

Nothing is held against the weak and sick nor against those who find nothing to spend, provided they are true to Allah and His Messenger—there is no way open against good-doers, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:91)

It was not for people of Madina, and the desert arabs around them, to remain behind the Messenger of Allah nor to prefer themselves to him. That is because no thirst or weariness or hunger will afflict them in the Way of Allah, nor will they take a single step to infuriate the disbelievers, nor secure any gain from the enemy, without a right action being written down for them because of it. Allah does not let the wage of the good-doers go to waste. (9:120)

And be steadfast. Allah does not let the wage of good-doers go to waste. (11:115)

Allah is with those who have fear of Him and with those who are good-doers. (16:128)

But as for those who believe and do right actions, We will not let the wage of good-doers go to waste. (18:30)

Their flesh and blood does not reach Allah but your heedfulness does reach Him. In this way He has subjected them to you so that you might proclaim Allah's greatness for the way that He has guided you. Give good news to the good-doers. (22:37)

And when he reached his full strength and maturity, We gave him judgement and knowledge. That is how We recompense good-doers. (28:14) As for those who strive in Our Way, We will guide them to Our Paths. Truly Allah is with the good-doers. (29:69)

Those are the Signs of the Wise Book—guidance and mercy for the good-doers. (31:2-3)

(O Prophet, tell your wives,) 'But if you desire Allah and His Messenger and the abode of the hereafter, Allah has prepared an immense reward for those among you who are good-doers.' (33:29)

We showered blessings upon him and upon Ishaq. Among their descendants are good-doers and also people who clearly wrong themselves. (37:113)

They will have anything they wish for with their Lord. That is the recompense of the good-doers. (39:34)

Follow the best that has been sent down to you from your Lord before the punishment comes upon you suddenly when you are not expecting it; lest anyone should say, 'Alas for me for neglecting what Allah was due, and being one of the scoffers!' or lest they should say, 'If only Allah had guided me, I would have guarded against evil,' or lest he should say, when he sees the punishment, 'If only I could have another chance so that I could be a good-doer!' (39:55-58)

But before it there was the Book of Musa as a model and a mercy. And this is a corroborating Book in the Arabic tongue so that you may warn those who do wrong, and as good news for the good-doers. (46:12)

## GOODS

It is prescribed for you, when death approaches one of you and if he has some goods to leave, to make a will in favour of his parents and relatives, correctly and fairly: a duty for all those who guard against evil. (2:180)

You who believe! When you go out to fight in the Way of Allah verify things carefully. Do not say, 'You are not a believer', to someone who greets you as a Muslim, simply out of desire for the goods of this world. With Allah there is booty in abundance. That is the way you were before but Allah has been kind to you. So verify things carefully. Allah is aware of what you do. (4:94)

And to Madyan We sent their brother Shu'ayb who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. A Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord. Give full measure and full weight. Do not diminish people's goods. Do not cause corruption in the land after it has been put right. That is better for you if you are believers. (7:85)

An evil generation has succeeded them, inheriting the Book, taking the goods of this lower

world, and saying, 'We will be forgiven.' But if similar goods come to them again they still take them. Has not a covenant been made with them in the Book, that they should only say the truth about Allah and have they not studied what is in it? The Final Abode is better for those who guard against evil. Will you not use your intellect? (7:169)

It is not fitting for a Prophet to take captives until he has thoroughly subdued the land. You desire the goods of this world, whereas Allah desires the hereafter. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (8:67) My people! Give full measure and full weight with justice; do not diminish people's goods; and do not go about the earth, corrupting it. (11:85)

Some travellers came that way and then dispatched their water-drawer who let his bucket down. He said, 'Good news for me, I've found a boy!' They then hid him (Yusuf) away among their goods. Allah knew very well what they were doing. (12:19)

He (Yusuf) told his serving men, 'Put back their goods into their saddlebags for them to find when they arrive back to their families so that perhaps they will return again.' (12:62)

He said, 'Allah forbid that we should take anyone but him with whom our goods were found. In that case we would clearly be wrongdoers.' (12:79)

Those who cannot find the means to marry should be abstinent until Allah enriches them from His bounty. If any slaves you own want to make a contract to free themselves, write it for them if you know of good in them and give them some of the wealth Allah has given you. Do not force your slavegirls to prostitute themselves if they desire to be virtuous women out of your desire for the goods of this world. If anyone forces them, then after they have been forced, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:33) Do not diminish people's goods and do not go about the earth, corrupting it. (26:183)

## GOOD WORDS

Remember when We made a covenant with the tribe of Israel: 'Worship none but Allah and be good to your parents and to relatives and or-

phans and the very poor. And speak good words to people. And perform prayer and pay the welfare tax.' But then you turned away—except a few of you—you turned aside. (2:83)

Do you not see how Allah makes a metaphor of a good word: a good tree whose roots are firm and whose branches are in heaven? (14:24)

They have been guided to speak good words and guided to the praiseworthy path. (22:24)

If anyone wants power, all power belongs to Allah. All good words rise to Him and He raises up all virtuous deeds. But people who plot evil deeds will suffer a harsh punishment. The plotting of such people is profitless. (35:10)

## GOSPEL, THE (INJIL)

He has sent down the Book to you with truth, confirming what was there before it. And He sent down the Torah and the Gospel. (3:3)

He will teach him the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel. (3:48)

(Say,) 'People of the Book! Why do you argue concerning Ibrahim when the Torah and Gospel were only sent down after him? Why do you not use your intellect?' (3:65)

You who have been given the Book! Believe in what We have sent down confirming what is with you, before We obliterate faces, turning them inside out, or We curse you as We cursed the Companions of the Sabbath. Allah's command is always carried out. (4:47)

And We sent 'Isa son of Maryam following in their footsteps, confirming the Torah that came before him. We gave him the Gospel containing guidance and light, confirming the Torah that came before it, and as guidance and admonition for those who guard against evil. (5:46)

The people of the Gospel should judge by what Allah sent down in it. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are deviators. (5:47)

If only they had implemented the Torah and the Gospel and what was sent down to them from their Lord, they would have been fed from above their heads and beneath their feet. Among them there is a moderate group but what most of them do is evil. (5:66)

Say: 'People of the Book! You have nothing to stand on until you implement the Torah and the Gospel and what has been sent down to you from your Lord.' What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of them in insolence and disbelief. So do not waste your grief on the people of the disbelievers. (5:68)

Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to your mother when I reinforced you with the Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth the dead by My permission; and when I held back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but downright magic".' (5:110)

(Allah said, 'I will prescribe My mercy for) those who follow the Messenger, the Ummi, whom they find written down with them in the Torah and the Gospel, commanding them to do right and forbidding them to do wrong, making good things lawful for them and bad things forbidden for them, relieving them of their heavy loads and the chains which were around them. Those who believe in him and honour him and help him, and follow the Light that has been sent down with him, they are the ones who are successful.' (7:157)

Allah has bought from the believers their selves and their wealth in return for the Garden. They fight in the Way of Allah and they kill and are killed. It is a promise binding on Him in the Torah, the Gospel and the Qur'an and who is truer to his contract than Allah? Rejoice then in the bargain you have made. That is the great victory. (9:111)

Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and those who are with him are fierce to the disbelievers, merciful to one another. You see them bowing and prostrating, seeking Allah's good favour and

His pleasure. Their mark is on their faces, the traces of prostration. That is their likeness in the Torah. And their likeness in the Gospel is that of a seed which puts up a shoot and makes it strong so that it thickens and grows up straight upon its stalk, filling the sowers with delight—so that by them He may infuriate the disbelievers. Allah has promised those of them who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (48:29)

Then We sent Our Messengers following in their footsteps and sent 'Isa son of Maryam after them, giving him the Gospel. We put compassion and mercy in the hearts of those who followed him. They invented monasticism—We did not prescribe it for them—purely out of desire to gain the pleasure of Allah, but even so they did not observe it as it should have been observed. To those of them who believed We gave their reward but many of them are deviators. (57:27)

## GOVERNOR

Some city women said, 'The governor's wife solicited her slave. He's fired her heart with love. We see that she's the one to blame.' (12:30)

He said, 'What was this past affair of yours when you solicited Yusuf?' Then they said 'Allah forbid! We know no bad of him.' The governor's wife then said, 'The truth has now emerged. Indeed I tried to seduce him then and he has simply told the honest truth.' (12:51)

(Yusuf said,) 'In this way he (the governor) may know at last that I did not dishonour him behind his back and that Allah most surely does not guide the deviousness of the dishonourable.' (12:52)

## GRAIN

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces—its green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,' he said, 'Do you want to replace what is better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.' Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon

themselves. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

The metaphor of those who spend their wealth in the Way of Allah is that of a grain which produces seven ears; in every ear there are a hundred grains. Allah gives such multiplied increase to whoever He wills. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing. (2:261)

We will set up the Just Balance on the Day of Rising and no self will be wronged in any way. Even if it is no more than the weight of a grain of mustard-seed, We will produce it. We are sufficient as a Reckoner. (21:47)

A Sign for them is the dead land which We bring to life and from which We bring forth grain of which they eat. (36:33)

And We sent down blessed water from the sky and made gardens grow by it and grain for harvesting. (50:9)

In it (the earth) are fruits and date-palms with covered spathes, and grains on leafy stems and fragrant herbs. (55:11-12)

We sent down cascading water from the clouds so that by it We might bring forth grains and plants. (78:14-15)

Then We make grain grow in it. (80:27)

## **GRANDCHILDREN**

Allah has given you wives from among yourselves, and given you children and grandchildren from your wives, and provided good things for you. So why do they believe in falsehood and reject the blessings of Allah? (16:72)

## **GRAPE**

Would any of you like to have a garden of dates and grapes, with rivers flowing underneath and containing all kinds of fruits, then to be stricken with old age and have children who are weak, and then for a fierce whirlwind containing fire to come and strike it so that it goes up in flames? In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect. (2:266)

It is He Who sends down water from the sky from which We bring forth growth of every kind, and

from that We bring forth the green shoots and from them We bring forth close-packed seeds, and from the spathes of the date palm date clusters hanging down, and gardens of grapes and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Look at their fruits as they bear fruit and ripen. There are Signs in that for people who believe. (6:99)

In the earth there are diverse regions side by side and gardens of grapes and cultivated fields, and palm-trees sharing one root and others with individual roots, all watered with the same water. And We make some things better to eat than others. There are Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (13:4)

And by it (water) He makes crops grow for you and olives and dates and grapes and fruit of every kind. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who reflect. (16:11)

And from the fruit of the date-palm and the grape-vine you derive both intoxicants and wholesome provision. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who use their intellect. (16:67)

They say, 'We will not believe you until you make a spring gush out from the earth for us; or have a garden of dates and grapes which you make rivers come pouring through;' (17:90-91)

Make an example for them of two men. To one of them We gave two gardens of grape-vines and surrounded them with date-palms, putting between them some cultivated land. (18:32)

By means of it (water) We produce gardens of dates and grapes for you, in which there are many fruits for you and from which you eat. (23:19)

We place in it gardens of dates and grapes, and cause springs to gush out in it. (36:34)

Gardens and grape vines, (78:32)  
and grapes and herbs. (80:28)

## **GRAVE**

And the Hour is coming without any doubt and Allah will raise up all those in the graves. (22:7)

The living and dead are not the same. Allah makes anyone He wills hear but you cannot make those in the grave hear. (35:22)

The Trumpet will be blown and at once they will

be sliding from their graves towards their Lord. (36:51)

They will emerge from their graves with down-cast eyes, like swarming locusts. (54:7)

The Day they will emerge swiftly from their graves as if rushing to rally to the flag. (70:43)

When the graves are emptied out, each self will know what it has sent ahead and left behind. (82:4-5)

Does he not know that when the graves are emptied out, and the heart's contents are brought into the open, that Day their Lord will certainly be aware of them. (100:9-11)

## **GREAT ABUNDANCE**

Truly We have given you the Great Abundance. (108:1)

## **GREAT EVENT / OCCURRENCE**

When the Great Event occurs, (56:1)

On that Day, the Occurrence will occur. (69:15)

## **GREED**

Rather you will find them (the Tribe of Israel) the people greediest for life, along with the idolaters. One of them would love to be allowed to live a thousand years. But being allowed to live would not save him from the punishment. Allah sees what they do. (2:96)

If a woman fears cruelty or aversion on her husband's part, there is nothing wrong in the couple becoming reconciled. Reconciliation is better. But people are prone to selfish greed. If you do good and guard against evil, Allah is aware of what you do. (4:128)

## **GREEN**

It is He Who sends down water from the sky from which We bring forth growth of every kind, and from that We bring forth the green shoots and from them We bring forth close-packed seeds, and from the spathes of the date palm date clusters hanging down, and gardens of grapes and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Look at their fruits as they bear fruit and ripen. There are Signs in that for people who believe. (6:99)

The King declared, 'I dreamt of seven fat cows which seven thin ones ate and seven green ears of wheat and seven others which were dry. O counsellors! Explain my dream to me if you are those who can interpret visions!' (12:43)

(One of Yusuf's fellow-prisoners said,) 'O truthful Yusuf, tell us of seven fat cows which seven thin ones ate and seven green ears of wheat and seven others which were dry so that I can return to them and let them know.' (12:46)

They will have Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them. They will be adorned in them with bracelets made of gold and wear green garments made of the finest silk and rich brocade, reclining there on couches under canopies. What an excellent reward! What a wonderful repose! (18:31)

Say 'He Who made them in the first place will bring them back to life. He has total knowledge of each created thing; He Who produces fire for you from green trees so that you use them to light your fires.' (36:79-80)

(Believers will be) reclining on green quilts and exquisite rugs. (55:76)

They will wear green garments of fine silk and rich brocade. They will be adorned with silver bracelets. And their Lord will give them a pure draught to drink. (76:21)

## **GREETING - 'PEACE'**

When you are greeted with a greeting, return the greeting or improve on it. Allah takes account of everything. (4:86)

You who believe! When you go out to fight in the Way of Allah verify things carefully. Do not say, 'You are not a believer', to someone who greets you as a Muslim, simply out of desire for the goods of this world. With Allah there is booty in abundance. That is the way you were before but Allah has been kind to you. So verify things carefully. Allah is aware of what you do. (4:94)

When those who believe in Our Signs come to you, say, 'Peace be upon you!' Allah has made mercy incumbent on Himself. If anyone among you does evil out of ignorance and then afterwards repents and puts things right, He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (6:54)

There will be a dividing wall between them and on the ramparts there will be men who recognise everyone by their mark. They will call out to the people of the Garden: 'Peace be upon you!' They will not have yet entered it, though they hope. (7:46)

Their call there is: 'Glory be to You, O Allah!' Their greeting there is: 'Peace!' The end of their call is: 'Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds!' (10:10)

It was said, 'Nuh, descend with peace from Us and with blessings on you and on the nations which will issue from those who are with you. But there are nations to whom we will give enjoyment and then a painful punishment from Us will afflict them.' (11:48)

Our messengers brought the good news to Ibrahim. They said, 'Peace!' and he too said, 'Peace!' and brought in a roasted calf without delay. (11:69)

... Angels will enter in to welcome them from every gate: 'Peace be upon you because of your steadfastness! How wonderful is the Ultimate Abode!' (13:23-24)

Those who believed and did right actions will be admitted into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever by the permission of their Lord. Their greeting there is 'Peace!' (14:23)

When they came in to him, they said, 'Peace!' He (Ibrahim) said, 'Truly we are afraid of you.' (15:52)

Gardens of Eden which they enter, with rivers flowing under them, where they have whatever they desire. That is how Allah repays those who guard against evil: those the angels take in a virtuous state. They say, 'Peace be upon you! Enter the Garden for what you did.' (16:31-32)

Peace be upon him the day he (Yahya) was born, and the day he dies, and the day he is raised up again alive. (19:15)

('Isa said,) 'Peace be upon me the day I was born, and the day I die and the day I am raised up again alive.' (19:33)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'Peace be upon you. I will ask my Lord to forgive you. He has always honoured me. (19:47)

They will not hear any prattling there--nothing but 'Peace'. They will receive their provision there morning and night. (19:62)

Go to him and say, "We are your Lord's Messengers so send the tribe of Israel away with us and do not punish them. We have brought you a Sign from your Lord. Peace be upon those who follow the guidance." (20:47)

You who believe! Do not enter houses other than your own until you have asked permission and greeted their inhabitants. That is better for you, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (24:27)

There is no objection to the blind, no objection to the lame, no objection to the sick; nor to yourselves if you eat in your own houses or your fathers' houses or your mothers' houses or your brothers' houses or your sisters' houses or the houses of your paternal uncles or paternal aunts or the houses of your maternal uncles or maternal aunts or places to which you own the keys or those of your friends. There is nothing wrong in your eating together or eating separately. And when you enter houses greet one another with a greeting from Allah, blessed and good. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (24:61)

The servants of the All-Merciful are those who walk lightly on the earth and, who, when the ignorant speak to them, say, 'Peace'; (25:63)

Such people will be repaid for their steadfastness with the Highest Paradise, where they will meet with welcome and with 'Peace'. (25:75)

Say: 'Praise be to Allah and peace be upon His servants whom He has chosen.' Is Allah better, or what you associate with Him? (27:59)

When they hear worthless talk they turn away from it and say, 'We have our actions and you have your actions. Peace be upon you. We do not desire the company of the ignorant.' (28:55)

Their greeting on the Day they meet Him will be 'Peace!' and He has prepared a generous reward for them. (33:44)

'Peace!' A word from a Merciful Lord. (36:58)

'Peace be upon Nuh among all beings!' (37:79)

'Peace be upon Ibrahim.' (37:109)

'Peace be upon Musa and Harun!' (37:120)

'Peace be upon the family of Ilyas!' (37:130)

And peace be upon the Messengers. (37:181)  
And those who guard against evil of their Lord will be driven to the Garden in companies and when they arrive there, finding its gates open, its custodians will say to them, ‘Peace be upon you! You have done well so enter it timelessly, for ever.’ (39:73)

Turn from them and say, ‘Peace! You will soon come to know.’ (43:89)

When they entered his dwelling and said, ‘Peace!', he (Ibrahim) said, ‘Peace, to people we do not know.' (51:25)

All that is said is, ‘Peace! Peace!' (56:26)

‘Peace be upon you!' from the Companions of the Right. (56:91)

Do you not see those who were forbidden to confer together secretly returning to the very thing they were forbidden to do, and conferring together secretly in wrongdoing and enmity and disobedience to the Messenger? And when they come to you they greet you with words Allah has never used in greeting you, and say to themselves ‘Why does Allah not punish us for what we say?' Hell will be enough for them! They will roast in it. What an evil destination! (58:8)

## **GUARANTOR**

They said, ‘We're missing the goblet of the king. The man who brings it will get a camel's load. Regarding that I stand as guarantor.' (12:72)  
Be true to Allah's contract when you have agreed to it, and do not break your oaths once they are confirmed and you have made Allah your guarantee. Allah knows what you do. (16:91)

## **GUARDIAN**

You who believe! When you take on a debt for a specified period, write it down. A writer should write it down between you justly. No writer should refuse to write; as Allah has taught him, so he should write. The one incurring the debt should dictate and should have fear of Allah his Lord and not reduce it in any way. If the person incurring the debt is incompetent or weak or unable to dictate, then his guardian should dictate for him justly. Two men among you should act as witnesses. But if there are not two men, then a

man and two women with whom you are satisfied as witnesses; then if one of them forgets, the other can remind her. Witnesses should not refuse when they are called upon. Do not think it too trivial to write down, whether small or large, with the date that it falls due. Doing that is more just in Allah's sight and more helpful when bearing witness and more likely to eliminate any doubt—unless it is an immediate transaction hand to hand, taken and given without delay. There is nothing wrong in your not writing that down. Call witnesses when you trade. Neither writer nor witness should be put under pressure. If you do that, it is deviancy on your part. Have fear of Allah and Allah will give you knowledge. Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:282)

(Believers are) those to whom people said, ‘The people have gathered against you, so fear them.' But that merely increased their faith and they said, ‘Allah is enough for us and the Best of Guardians.' (3:173)

They have the word, ‘Obedience!' on their tongues but when they leave your presence, a group of them spend the night plotting to do other than what you say. Allah is recording their nocturnal plotting. So let them be and put your trust in Allah. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:81)  
Here you are arguing on their behalf in this world, but who will argue with Allah on their behalf on the Day of Rising? Who will act as guardian for them then? (4:109)

What is in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Allah. Allah suffices as a Guardian (4:132)

People of the Book! Do not go to excess in your religion. Say nothing but the truth about Allah. The Messiah, ‘Isa son of Maryam, was only the Messenger of Allah and His Word, which He cast into Maryam, and a Spirit from Him. So believe in Allah and His Messengers. Do not say, ‘Three.' It is better that you stop. Allah is only One God. He is too Glorious to have a son! Everything in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Him. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:171)

Your people deny it and yet it is the Truth. Say: ‘I am not here as your guardian.' (6:66)

If Allah had willed, they would not have associated anything with Him. We did not appoint you

over them as their keeper and you are not set over them as their guardian. (6:107)

Say: 'Mankind! The truth has come to you from your Lord. Whoever is guided is only guided for his own good. Whoever is misguided is only misguided to his detriment. I have not been set over you as a guardian.' (10:108)

Perhaps you are leaving aside part of what has been revealed to you and your breast is constricted by this because they say, 'Why has treasure not been sent down to him or an angel not accompanied him?' You are only a warner and Allah is Guardian over all things. (11:12)

He said, 'I will not send him out with you until you make a covenant with Allah to bring him home unless you are overwhelmed.' When they had made their covenant, he said, 'Allah is Guardian over what we say.' (12:66)

We gave Musa the Book and made it guidance for the tribe of Israel: 'Do not take anyone besides Me as a guardian.' (17:2)

Your Lord knows you best. If He wills, He will have mercy on you, and, if He wills, He will punish you. We did not send you to be their guardian. (17:54)

(Allah said to Satan,) 'But as for My servants, you will not have any authority over them.' Your Lord suffices as a guardian. (17:65)

Do you feel secure against Him causing the shore to swallow you up or sending against you a sudden squall of stones? Then you will find no one to be your guardian. (17:68)

Have you seen him who has taken his whims and desires to be his god? Will you then be his guardian? (25:43)

He (Musa) said, 'That is agreed between me and you. Whichever of the two terms I fulfil, there should be no bad feeling towards me. Allah is Guardian over what we say.' (28:28)

And put your trust in Allah. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (33:3)

Do not obey the disbelievers and hypocrites and disregard their abuse of you. Put your trust in Allah. Allah suffices as a Protector. (33:48)

We have sent down to you the Book for mankind with truth. So whoever is guided is guided to his own good and whoever is misguided, it is to his

detriment. You are not set over them as a guardian. (39:41)

Allah is the Creator of everything and He is Guardian over everything. (39:62)

As for those who take others besides Him as protectors, Allah takes care of them. You are not set over them as a guardian. (42:6)

Lord of the East and West—there is no god but Him—so take Him as your Guardian. (73:9)

## **GUARDING AGAINST EVIL (TAQWA)**

That is the Book, without any doubt. It contains guidance for those who guard against evil. (2:2) We made it an exemplary punishment for those there then, and those coming afterwards, and a warning to those who guard against evil. (2:66)

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

You will not be denied the reward for any good thing you do. Allah knows those who guard against evil. (3:115)

Race each other to forgiveness from your Lord and a Garden as wide as the heavens and the earth, prepared for the people who guard against evil. (3:133)

Do you not see those who were told: 'Hold back from fighting but perform prayer and give the alms'? Then when fighting is prescribed for them, a group of them fear people as Allah should be feared, or even more than that. They say, 'Our Lord, why have you prescribed fighting for us? If only You would give us just a little more time!' Say, 'The enjoyment of this world is very brief. The hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. You will not be wronged by so much as the smallest speck.' (4:77)

And We sent 'Isa son of Maryam following in their footsteps, confirming the Torah that came before him. We gave him the Gospel containing guidance and light, confirming the Torah that came before it, and as guidance and admonition for those who guard against evil. (5:46)

Musa said to his people, 'Seek help in Allah and be steadfast. The earth belongs to Allah. He bequeathes it to any of His servants He wills. The successful outcome is for those who guard against evil.' (7:128)

... Give those who disbelieve the news of a painful punishment—except those among the idolaters you have treaties with, who have not then broken their treaties with you in any way, nor granted assistance to anyone against you. Honour their treaties until their time runs out. Allah loves those who guard against evil. (9:3-4) How could any of the idolaters possibly have a treaty with Allah and with His Messenger, except for those you made a treaty with at the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram)? As long as they are straight with you, be straight with them. Allah loves those who guard against evil. (9:7)

There have been twelve months with Allah in the Book of Allah, from the day He first created the heavens and earth. Four of them are forbidden. That is the True Religion. So do not wrong one another during them. However, fight the idolaters totally just as they fight you totally, and know that Allah is with those who guard against evil. (9:36)

Those who believe in Allah and the Last Day do not ask you to excuse them from striving with their wealth and themselves. Allah knows the people who guard against evil. (9:44)

You who believe! Fight those of the disbelievers who are near to you and let them find you implacable. Know that Allah is with those who guard against evil. (9:123)

That is some of the news of the Unseen which We reveal to you. Neither you nor your people knew it before this time. So be steadfast. The best end result is for those who guard against evil. (11:49)

What is the Garden promised to those who guard against evil like? It has rivers flowing under it and

its foodstuffs and cool shade never fail. That is the final fate of those who guard against evil. But the final fate of the disbelievers is the Fire. (13:35)

Those who guard against evil will be amid Gardens and Springs. (15:45)

When those who have fear of Allah are asked, 'What has your Lord sent down?' their reply is, 'Good!' There is good in this world for those who do good, and the abode of the hereafter is even better. How wonderful is the abode of those who guard against evil: Gardens of Eden which they enter, with rivers flowing under them, where they have whatever they desire. That is how Allah repays those who guard against evil. (16:30-31)

And (We gave Yahya) tenderness and purity from Us—he guarded against evil. (19:13)

She (Maryam) said, 'I seek refuge from you with the All-Merciful if you guard against evil.' (19:18) That is the Garden which We will bequeath to those of Our servants who guard against evil. (19:63)

Then We will rescue those who guarded against evil and We will leave the wrongdoers in it on their knees. (19:72)

On that Day We will gather those who guard against evil to the All-Merciful with due ceremony. (19:85)

We have made it (the Qur'an) easy on your tongue so that you can give good news to those who guard against evil and warn stubbornly hostile people by it. (19:97)

We have sent down Clear Signs to you and the example of those who passed away before you and an admonition for those who guard against evil. (24:34)

Say: 'Is that better, or the Garden of Eternal Life which has been promised to those who guard against evil? That is their recompense and destination.' (25:15)

(Believers are) those who say, 'Our Lord, give us joy in our wives and children and make us a good example for those who guard against evil'. (25:74)

(On the Day) the Garden will be brought near to those who guard against evil. (26:90)

That abode of the hereafter—We grant it to those

who do not seek to exalt themselves in the earth or to cause corruption in it. The successful outcome is for those who guard against evil. (28:83) Would We make those who believe and do right actions the same as those who cause corruption on the earth? Would We make those who guard against evil the same as the dissolute? (38:28) This is a Reminder. Those who guard against evil will have a good Homecoming. (38:49) He who brings the truth and he who confirms it—those are the people who guard against evil. (39:33)

Follow the best that has been sent down to you from your Lord before the punishment comes upon you suddenly when you are not expecting it; lest anyone should say, ‘Alas for me for neglecting what Allah was due, and being one of the scoffers!’ or lest they should say, ‘If only Allah had guided me, I would have guarded against evil.’ (39:55-57) Allah will give security those who guarded against evil in their victorious Safe Haven. No evil will touch them and they will know no sorrow. (39:61) Were it not that mankind might all become one community, We would have given those who reject the All-Merciful silver roofs to their houses and silver stairways to ascend and silver doors to their houses and silver couches on which to recline, and gold ornaments. All that is merely the trappings of the life of this world. But the hereafter with your Lord is for those who guard against evil. (43:33-35) On that Day the closest friends will be enemies to one another—except for those who guard against evil. (43:67)

The people who guard against evil will be in a safe place. (44:51)

They will not help you in any way against Allah. The wrongdoers are protectors of one another but Allah is the Protector of those who guard against evil. (45:19)

An image of the Garden which is promised to those who guard against evil: in it there are rivers of water which will never spoil and rivers of milk whose taste will never change and rivers of wine, delightful to all who drink it, and rivers of honey of undiluted purity; in it they will have fruit of every kind and forgiveness from their Lord. Is that like those who will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever,

with boiling water to drink which lacerates their bowels? (47:15)  
The people who guard against evil will be in Gardens of Delight. (52:17)  
The people who guard against evil will be amid Gardens and Rivers. (54:54)  
The people who guard against evil will have Gardens of Delight with their Lord. (68:34)  
For those who guard against evil there is triumph. (78:31)

### **GUARDS OF HELL**

(The guard of Hell will be told,) ‘Seize him and drag him bodily into the middle of the Blazing Fire. Then pour the punishment of boiling water on his head.’ ‘Taste that! You are the mighty one, the noble one!’ (44:47-49)

We have only appointed angels as masters of the Fire and We have only specified their number as a trial for those who disbelieve; so that those who were given the Book might gain in certainty, and those who believe might increase in their faith, and both those who were given the Book and the believers might have no doubt; and so that those with sickness in their hearts and the disbelievers might say, ‘What did Allah intend by this example?’ In this way Allah misguides those He wills and guides those He wills. No one knows the legions of your Lord but Him. This is nothing but a reminder to all human beings. (74:31)

We will call the Guards of Hell! (96:18)

### **GUIDANCE**

That is the Book, without any doubt. It contains guidance for those who guard against evil. (2:2) The Jews and the Christians will never be pleased with you until you follow their religion. Say, ‘Allah’s guidance is the true guidance.’ If you were to follow their whims and desires, after the knowledge that has come to you, you would find no protector or helper against Allah. (2:120)

They say, ‘Be Jews or Christians and you will be guided.’ Say, ‘Rather adopt the religion of Ibrahim, a man of natural pure belief. He was not one of the idolaters.’ (2:135)

If their faith is the same as yours then they are guided. But if they turn away, they are en-

trenched in hostility. Allah will be enough for you against them. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing. (2:137)

When they are told, 'Follow what Allah has sent down to you,' They say, 'We are following what we found our fathers doing.' What, even though their fathers did not understand a thing and were not guided! (2:170)

The month of Ramadan is the one in which the Qur'an was sent down as guidance for mankind, with Clear Signs containing guidance and discrimination. Any of you who are resident for the month should fast it. But any of you who are ill or on a journey should fast a number of other days. Allah desires ease for you; He does not desire difficulty for you. You should complete the number of days and proclaim Allah's greatness for the guidance He has given you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (2:185)

If My servants ask you about Me, I am near. I answer the call of the caller when he calls on Me. They should therefore respond to Me and believe in Me so that hopefully they will be rightly guided. (2:186)

There is nothing wrong in seeking bounty from your Lord. When you pour down from Arafat, remember Allah at the Sacred Landmark. Remember Him because He has guided you, even though before this you were astray. (2:198) Do not trust anyone except for those who follow your religion.' Say, 'Allah's guidance is true guidance. But you think it is impossible for anyone to be given the same as you were given, or to argue with you before your Lord.' Say, 'All favour is in Allah's Hand and He gives it to whoever He wills. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing.' (3:73)

But if anyone opposes the Messenger after the guidance has become clear to him, and follows other than the path of the believers, We will hand him over to whatever he has turned to, and We will roast him in Hell. What an evil destination! (4:115)

And We sent 'Isa son of Maryam following in their footsteps, confirming the Torah that came before him. We gave him the Gospel containing guidance and light, confirming the Torah that

came before it, and as guidance and admonition for those who guard against evil. (5:46)

You who believe! You are only responsible for yourselves. The misguided cannot harm you as long as you are guided. All of you will return to Allah and He will inform you about what you were doing. (5:105)

Say: 'I am forbidden to worship those you call upon besides Allah.' Say: 'I do not follow your whims and desires. If I did I would go astray and not be among the guided.' (6:56)

Say: 'Are we to call on something besides Allah which can neither help nor harm us, and to turn on our heels after Allah has guided us, like someone the Satans have lured away in the earth, leaving him confused and stupefied, despite the fact that he has companions calling him to guidance, saying, "Come with us!"?' Say: 'Allah's guidance, that is true guidance. We are commanded to submit as Muslims to the Lord of all the worlds.' (6:71)

Then when he (Ibrahim) saw the moon come up he said, 'This is my Lord!' Then when it set he said, 'If my Lord does not guide me, I will be one of the misguided people.' (6:77)

His people argued with him. He (Ibrahim) said, 'Are you arguing with me about Allah when He has guided me? I have no fear of any partner you ascribe to Him unless my Lord should will such a thing to happen. My Lord encompasses all things in His knowledge so will you not pay heed?' (6:80)

It is He Who has appointed the stars for you so you might be guided by them in the darkness of the land and sea. We have made the Signs clear for people who have knowledge. (6:97)

Those who kill their children foolishly without any knowledge and make what Allah has provided for them forbidden, inventing lies against Allah, such people are lost. They are misguided. They are not guided. (6:140)

Nor can you say: 'If the Book had been sent down to us, We would have been better guided than they were.' For a Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord, and guidance and mercy. Who could do greater wrong than someone who denies Allah's Signs and turns away from them? We

will repay those who turn away from Our Signs with the worst kind of punishment because they turned away. (6:157)

One group He guided; but another group got the misguidance they deserved. They took the Satans as friends instead of Allah and thought that they were guided. (7:30)

I will divert from My Signs all those who are arrogant in the earth without any right. If they see every Sign, they will not believe in it. If they see the way of right guidance, they will not take it as a way. But if they see the way of error, they will take that as a way. That is because they denied Our Signs and paid no attention to them. (7:146) If you call them to guidance, they do not hear. You see them looking at you, yet they do not see. (7:198)

Say: 'If your fathers or your sons or your brothers or your wives or your tribe, or any wealth you have acquired, or any business you fear may slump, or any house which pleases you, are dearer to you than Allah and His Messenger and striving in His Way, then wait until Allah brings about His command. Allah does not guide people who are deviators.' (9:24)

Say: 'Can any of your partner-gods guide to the truth?' Say: 'Allah guides to the truth. Who has more right to be followed--He Who guides to the truth, or he who cannot guide unless he is guided? What is the matter with you? How do you reach your judgement?' (10:35)

Among them there are some who look at you. But can you guide the blind, even though they cannot see? (10:43)

(We sent Musa) to Pharaoh and his ruling circle. They followed Pharaoh's command but Pharaoh's command was not rightly guided. (11:97)

Those who disbelieve say, 'Why has a Sign not been sent down to him from his Lord?' Say: 'Allah misguides whoever He wills and guides to Himself all who turn to Him.' (13:27)

What then of Him Who is standing over every self seeing everything it does? Yet still they associate others with Allah! Say: 'Name them! Or would you inform Him of something in the earth He does not know, or are they words which are

simply guesswork on your part?' However, the plotting of those who disbelieve seems good to them and they bar the way. Anyone misguided by Allah has no guide. (13:33)

They will all parade before Allah and the weak will say to those who were arrogant, 'We followed you, so can you help us at all against the punishment of Allah?' They will say, 'If Allah had guided us, we would have guided you. It makes no difference whether we cannot stand it or bear it patiently. We have no way of escape.' (14:21) He cast firmly embedded mountains on the earth so it would not move under you, and rivers and pathways so that hopefully you would be guided. (16:15)

You would have seen the sun, when it rose, inclining away from their cave towards the right, and, when it set, leaving them behind on the left, while they were lying in an open part of it. That was one of Allah's Signs. Whoever Allah guides is truly guided. But if He misguides someone, you will find no protector for them to guide them rightly. (18:17)

Musa said to him, 'May I follow you on condition that you teach me some of the right guidance you have been taught?' (18:66)

Those are some of the Prophets Allah has blessed, from the descendants of Adam and from those We carried with Nuh, and from the descendants of Ibrahim and Isra'il and from those We guided and chose. When the Signs of the All-Merciful were recited to them they fell on their faces, weeping, in prostration. (19:58)

When he (Musa) saw a fire and said to his family, 'Wait here. I can make out a fire. Maybe I will bring you a brand from it, or will find guidance there.' (20:10)

He (Musa) said, 'Our Lord is He Who gives each thing its created form and then guides it.' (20:50) But then his Lord chose him (Adam) and turned to him and guided him. (20:122)

He said, 'Go down from it, all of you, as enemies to one another! But when guidance comes to you from Me, all those who follow My guidance will not go astray and will not be miserable.' (20:123)

We gave Ibrahim his right guidance early on, and We had complete knowledge of him. (21:51)

Among people there is one who argues about Allah without knowledge or guidance or any light-giving Book, turning away arrogantly, to misguide people from the Way of Allah. He will be disgraced in this world and on the Day of Rising We will make him taste the punishment of the Burning. (22:8-9)

In this way We have assigned to every Prophet an enemy from among the evildoers. But your Lord is a sufficient guide and helper. (25:31)

He (Musa) said, 'Never! My Lord is with me and He will guide me.' (26:62)

We gave Musa the Book after destroying the earlier nations, to awaken people's hearts and as a guidance and a mercy so that hopefully they would pay heed. (28:43)

If they do not respond to you then know that they are merely following their whims and desires. And who could be further astray than someone who follows his whims and desires without any guidance from Allah? Allah does not guide the people of the wrongdoers. (28:50)

Do you not see that Allah has subjected to you everything in the heavens and earth and has showered His blessings upon you, both outwardly and inwardly? Yet there are people who argue about Allah without knowledge or guidance or any illuminating Book. (31:20)

We gave Musa the Book—be in no doubt about the meeting with him—and made it a guidance for the tribe of Israel. (32:23)

We appointed leaders from among them, guiding by Our command when they were steadfast and when they had certainty about Our Signs. (32:24)

Are they not guided by the many generations We destroyed before them, among whose ruined homes they walk around? There are certainly Signs in that. So will they not listen? (32:26)

Allah has sent down the Supreme Discourse, a Book consistent in its frequent repetitions. The skins of those who fear their Lord tremble at it and then their skins and hearts yield softly to the remembrance of Allah. That is Allah's guidance by which He guides whoever He wills. And no one can guide those whom Allah misguides. (39:23)

Is Allah not enough for His servant? Yet they try

to scare you with others apart from Him. If Allah misguides someone, he has no guide. (39:36)  
We gave Musa the guidance and bequeathed the Book to the tribe of Israel, as guidance and a reminder for people of intelligence. (40:53-54)  
As for Thamud, We guided them, but they preferred blindness to guidance. So the lightning-bolt of the punishment of humiliation seized them on account of what they earned. (41:17)  
It is He Who made the earth a cradle for you and made pathways for you in it so that hopefully you would be guided. (43:10)  
Have you seen him who takes his whims and desires to be his god—whom Allah has misguided knowingly, sealing up his hearing and his heart and placing a blindfold over his eyes? Who then will guide him after Allah? So will you not pay heed? (45:23)  
Know that the Messenger of Allah is among you. If he were to obey you in many things, you would suffer for it. However, Allah has given you love of faith and made it pleasing to your hearts, and has made disbelief, deviance and disobedience hateful to you. People such as these are rightly guided. (49:7)  
They are nothing but names which you yourselves have given, you and your forefathers. Allah has sent down no authority for them. They are following nothing but conjecture and what their own selves desire. And that when guidance has reached them from their Lord! (53:23)  
That is as far as their knowledge extends. Your Lord knows best those who are misguided from His Way and He knows best those who are guided. (53:30)  
The metaphor of those who were charged with the Torah but then have not upheld it, is that of a donkey loaded with weighty tomes. How evil is the metaphor of those who deny Allah's Signs! Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (62:5) (Say: 'It has been revealed to me that a band of the jinn listened and said,) "And when we heard the guidance, we believed in it. Anyone who believes in his Lord need fear neither belittlement nor tyranny." (72:13)  
Say: 'I possess no power to do you harm or to guide you right.' (72:21)

Glorify the Name of your Lord, the Most High:  
He Who created and moulded; He Who determined and guided. (87:1-3)

Assuredly guidance is up to Us. (92:12)  
Did He not find you wandering and guide you?  
(93:7)

Do you think he (who prevents a servant when he goes to pray) is rightly guided? (96:11)

### **GUT - BOWELS**

We made forbidden for the Jews every animal with an undivided hoof, and in respect of cattle and sheep, We made their fat forbidden for them, except what is attached to their backs or guts or mixed up with bone. That is how We repaid them for their insolence. And We certainly speak the truth. (6:146)

An image of the Garden which is promised to those who guard against evil: in it there are rivers of water which will never spoil and rivers of milk whose taste will never change and rivers of wine, delightful to all who drink it, and rivers of honey of undiluted purity; in it they will have fruit of every kind and forgiveness from their Lord. Is that like those who will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever, with boiling water to drink which lacerates their bowels? (47:15)

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## HÂBIL AND QÂBIL (SEE ABEL AND CAIN)

## HAJJ (SEE PILGRIMAGE)

## HALAL (SEE LAWFUL)

## HAMAN

We desired to show kindness to those who were oppressed in the land and to make them leaders and make them inheritors and establish them firmly in the land and to show Pharaoh and Haman and their troops the very thing that they were fearing from them. (28:5-6)

The family of Pharaoh picked him (Musa) up so that he might be an enemy and a source of grief to them. Certainly Pharaoh and Haman and their troops were in the wrong. (28:8)

Pharaoh said, 'Council, I do not know of any other god for you apart from Me. Haman, kindle a fire for me over the clay and build me a lofty tower so that perhaps I may be able to climb up to Musa's god! I consider him a blatant liar.' (28:38)

And Qarun and Pharaoh and Haman—Musa came with the Clear Signs to them, but they were arrogant on the earth. They could not outstrip Us. (29:39)

We sent Musa with Our Signs and clear authority to Pharaoh, Haman and Qarun. But they said, 'A lying magician.' (40:23-24)

Pharaoh said, 'Haman, build me a tower so that perhaps I may gain means of access, access to the heavens, so that I can look on Musa's God. Truly I think he is a liar.' That is how Pharaoh's evil actions were made attractive to him and he debarred others from the Path. Pharaoh's scheming led to nothing but ruin. (40:36-37)

## HANDIWORK

You who believe! Wine and gambling, stone altars and divining arrows are filth from the handiwork of Shaytan. Avoid them completely so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:90)

(We said to Musa,) 'Throw down what is in your right hand. It will swallow up their handiwork.

Their handiwork is just a magician's trick. Magicians do not prosper wherever they go.' (20:69)

You will see the mountains you reckoned to be solid going past like clouds—the handiwork of Allah Who gives to everything its solidity. He is aware of what you do. (27:88)

He entered the city at a time when its inhabitants were unaware and found two men fighting there—one from his party and the other from his enemy. The one from his party asked for his support against the other from his enemy. So Musa hit him, dealing him a fatal blow. He said, 'This is part of Satan's handiwork. He truly is an outright and misleading enemy.' (28:15)

Have they not seen how We created for them, by Our own handiwork, livestock which are under their control? (36:71)

## HAPPINESS

On the Day it comes, no self will speak except by His permission. Some of them will be wretched and others glad. (11:105)

As for those who are glad, they will be in the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever, as long as the heavens and earth endure, except as your Lord wills: an uninterrupted gift. (11:108)

Those who believe and do right actions, happiness will be theirs and a wonderful Homecoming. (13:29)

Some faces on that Day will be radiant. (88:8)

## HARAM (SEE FORBIDDEN)

## HARDSHIP

(Believers are) those who give in times of both ease and hardship, those who control their rage and pardon other people—Allah loves the good-doers. (3:134)

We sent Messengers to nations before you, and afflicted those nations with hardship and distress so that hopefully they would humble themselves. (6:42)

We have never sent a Prophet to any city without seizing its people with hardship and distress so that hopefully they would be humble. (7:94)

Then We gave them good in exchange for evil

until they increased in number and said, 'Our forefathers too underwent both hardship and ease.' Then We seized them suddenly when they were not expecting it. (7:95)

When We let people taste mercy after hardship has afflicted them, immediately they plot against Our Signs. Say: 'Allah is swifter at plotting.' Your plotting is recorded by Our Messengers. (10:21) But if We let him taste blessings after hardship has afflicted him, he says, 'My troubles have gone away,' and he is overjoyed, boastful. (11:10)

So when they came into his presence, they said, 'Your Eminence! Hardship has hit us and our families. We bring scant merchandise, but fill the measure for us generously. Allah always rewards a generous giver.' (12:88)

But if We let him taste mercy from Us after he has suffered hardship, then he says, 'This is my due. I do not think that the Hour is going to come. And if I am returned to my Lord, I will definitely find the best reward with Him.' But We will inform those who disbelieve of what they did and make them suffer a ruthless punishment. (41:50)

For truly with hardship comes ease; truly with hardship comes ease. (94:5-6)

### **HARUN (AS) (AARON)**

Their Prophet said to them, 'The sign of his kingship is that the Ark will come to you, containing serenity from your Lord and certain relics left by the families of Musa and Harun. It will be borne by angels. There is a sign for you in that if you are believers.' (2:248)

We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh and the Prophets who came after him. And We revealed to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and 'Isa and Ayyub and Yunus and Harun and Sulayman. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (4:163)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, each of whom We guided. And before him We had guided Nuh. And among his descendants were Dawud and Sulayman, and Ayyub, Yusuf, Musa and Harun. That is how We recompense the good-doers. (6:84)

They (the magicians) said, 'We believe in the

Lord of all the worlds, the Lord of Musa and Harun.' (7:121-122)

We set aside thirty nights for Musa and then completed them with ten, so the appointed time of his Lord was forty nights in all. Musa said to his brother Harun, 'Take my place among my people. Keep order and do not follow the way of the corrupters.' (7:142)

When Musa returned to his people in anger and great sorrow, he said, 'What an evil thing you did in my absence after I left! Did you want to hasten your Lord's command?' He threw down the Tablets and seized hold of his brother's head, dragging him towards him. Harun said, 'Son of my mother, The people oppressed me and almost killed me. Do not give my enemies cause to gloat over me. Do not include me with the wrongdoers.' (7:150)

Then after them We sent Musa and Harun with Our Signs to Pharaoh and his ruling circle, but they were arrogant and were a people of evildoers. (10:75)

(Her people said to Maryam,) 'Sister of Harun, your father was not an evil man nor was your mother an unchaste woman!' (19:28)

We endowed him with Our mercy, making his brother Harun a Prophet. (19:53)

(Musa said), 'Assign me a helper from my family, my brother Harun. Strengthen my back by him and let him share in my task, so that we can glorify You much and remember You much, for You are watching us.' (20:29-35)

The magicians threw themselves down in prostration. They said, 'We believe in the Lord of Harun and Musa.' (20:70)

Harun had earlier said to them, 'My people! It is just a trial for you. Your Lord is the All-Merciful, so follow me and obey my command!' (20:90)

He (Musa) said, 'What prevented you following me, Harun, when you saw that they had gone astray?' (20:92)

We gave to Musa and Harun the Discrimination and a Shining Light and a Reminder for the heedful. (21:48)

Then We sent Musa and his brother Harun with Our Signs and clear authority. (23:45)

We gave Musa the Book and appointed his

brother Harun with him as a helper. (25:35)  
He (Musa) said, 'My Lord, I fear they will deny me and that my breast will be constricted and that my tongue will not be free, so send Harun as a Messenger as well.' (26:12-13)

They (the magicians) said, 'We believe in the Lord of all the worlds, the Lord of Musa and Harun.' (26:47-48)

He (Musa) said, 'My Lord, I killed one of them and I am afraid they will kill me; and my brother Harun is more eloquent than me so send him with me to support me and back me up. I am afraid they will call me a liar.' (28:33-34)

We showed great kindness to Musa and Harun. We rescued them and their people from their terrible plight. We supported them and so they were the victors. We gave them the clarifying Book and guided them on the Straight Path, and left the later people saying of them, 'Peace be upon Musa and Harun!' (37:114-120)

### **HARUT AND MARUT**

They follow what the Satans recited in the reign of Sulayman. Sulayman did not disbelieve, but the Satans did, teaching people sorcery and what had been sent down to Harut and Marut, the two angels in Babylon, who taught no one without first saying to him, 'We are merely a trial and temptation, so do not disbelieve.' People learned from them how to separate a man and his wife but they cannot harm anyone by it, except with Allah's permission. They have learned what will harm them and will not benefit them. They know that any who deal in it will have no share in the hereafter. What an evil thing they have sold themselves for if they only knew! (2:102)

### **HATRED**

You who believe! Do not take any outside yourselves as intimates. They will do anything to harm you. They love what causes you distress. Hatred has appeared out of their mouths, but what their breasts hide is far worse. We have made the Signs clear to you if you use your intellect. (3:118)

We also made a covenant with those who say, 'We are Christians,' and they too forgot a good

portion of what they were reminded of. So We stirred up enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising when Allah will inform them about what they did. (5:14)

The Jews say, 'Allah's hand is chained.' Their hands are chained and they are cursed for what they say! No! Both His hands are open wide and He gives however He wills. What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of them in insolence and disbelief. We have incited enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising. Each time they kindle the fire of war, Allah extinguishes it. They rush about the earth corrupting it. Allah does not love corrupters. (5:64)

We will strip away any rancour in their (the believers') hearts. Rivers will flow under them and they will say, 'Praise be to Allah Who has guided us to this! We would not have been guided, had Allah not guided us. The Messengers of our Lord came with the Truth.' It will be proclaimed to them: 'This is your Garden which you have inherited for what you did.' (7:43)

We will strip away any rancour in their (the heedful's) hearts—brothers, resting on couches face-to-face (amid Gardens and Springs). (15:47) Those who have come after them say, 'Our Lord, forgive us and our brothers who preceded us in faith and do not put any rancour in our hearts towards those who believe. Our Lord, You are All-Gentle, Most Merciful.' (59:10)

You have an excellent example in Ibrahim and those with him, when they said to their people, 'We wash our hands of you and all that you worship apart from Allah, and we reject you. Between us and you there will be enmity and hatred for ever unless and until you believe in Allah alone.' Except for Ibrahim's words to his father: 'I will ask forgiveness for you but I have no power to help you in any way against Allah.' 'Our Lord, we have put our trust in You and have repented to You. You are our final destination.' (60:4)

It is the one who hates you who is cut off without an heir. (108:3)

### **HAYD (SEE MENSTRUATION)**

## **HEALING**

Fight them! Allah will punish them at your hands, and disgrace them and help you against them, and heal the hearts of those who believe. (9:14)

Mankind! Admonition has come to you from your Lord and also healing for what is in the breasts and guidance and mercy for the believers. (10:57)

(Your Lord revealed to the bees:) 'Then eat from every kind of fruit and travel the paths of your Lord, which have been made easy for you to follow.' From inside them comes a drink of varying colours, containing healing for mankind. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who reflect. (16:69)

We send down in the Qur'an that which is a healing and a mercy to the believers, but it only increases the wrongdoers in loss. (17:82)

(Ibrahim said,) 'and when I am ill, it is He Who heals me;' (26:80)

If We had made it a Qur'an in a foreign tongue they would have said, 'Why have its Signs not been made plain? What! A foreign language for an Arab?' Say: 'It is guidance and healing for people who believe. Those who do not believe have heaviness in their ears and for them it is blindness. Such people are being called from a very distant place.' (41:44)

## **HEARING**

Allah has sealed up their hearts and hearing and over their eyes is a blindfold. They will have a terrible punishment. (2:7)

Say: 'Who provides for you out of heaven and earth? Who controls hearing and sight? Who brings forth the living from the dead and the dead from the living? Who directs the whole affair?' They will say, 'Allah.' Say, 'So will you not guard against evil?'. (10:31)

Those are the people whose hearts, hearing and sight Allah has sealed up. They are the unaware. (16:108)

Do not pursue what you have no knowledge of. Hearing, sight and hearts will all be questioned. (17:36)

It is He Who has created hearing, sight and

hearts for you. What little thanks you show! (23:78)

They give them (Satan's) a hearing and most of them are liars. (26:223)

Then (He) formed him and breathed His Spirit into him and gave you hearing, sight and hearts. What little thanks you show! (32:9)

Say: 'It is He Who brought you into being and gave you hearing, sight and hearts. What little thanks you show!' (67:23)

## **HEART**

Allah has sealed up their hearts and hearing and over their eyes is a blindfold. They will have a terrible punishment. (2:7)

There is a sickness in their hearts and Allah has increased their sickness. They will have a painful punishment on account of their denial. (2:10)

Then your hearts became hardened after that, so they were like rocks or even harder still. There are some rocks from which rivers gush out, and others which split open and water pours out, and others which crash down from fear of Allah. Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:74)

They say, 'Our hearts are uncircumcised.' Rather, Allah has cursed them for their disbelief. What little faith they have! (2:88)

Remember when We made a covenant with you and lifted up the Mount above your heads: 'Take hold vigorously of what We have given you and listen.' They said, 'We hear and disobey.' They were made to drink the Calf into their hearts because of their disbelief. Say, 'If you are believers, what an evil thing your faith has made you do.' (2:93)

Say, 'Anyone who is the enemy of Gabriel should know that it was he who brought it down upon your heart, by Allah's authority, confirming what came before, and as guidance and good news for the believers. (2:97)

Those who do not know say, 'If only Allah would speak to us, or some sign come to us!' just like those before them who said the same as they say. Their hearts are much the same. We have made the Signs clear for people who have certainty. (2:118)

Among the people there is someone whose

words about the life of this world excite your admiration, and he calls Allah to witness what is in his heart, while he is in fact the most hostile of adversaries. (2:204)

Allah will not take you to task for inadvertent statements in your oaths, but He will take you to task for the intention your hearts have made.

Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (2:225)

When Ibrahim said, 'My Lord, show me how You bring the dead to life.' He asked, 'Do you not then believe?' He replied, 'Indeed I do! But so that my heart may be at peace.' He said, 'Take four birds and train them to yourself. Then put a part of them on each mountain and call to them; they will come rushing to you. Know that Allah is Almighty, All-Wise.' (2:260)

If you are on a journey and cannot find a writer, something can be left as a security. If you leave things on trust with one another the one who is trusted must deliver up his trust and have fear of Allah his Lord. Do not conceal testimony. If someone does conceal it, his heart commits a crime. Allah knows what you do. (2:283)

It is He Who sent down the Book to you from Him: verses containing clear judgements—they are the core of the Book—and others which are open to interpretation. Those with deviation in their hearts follow what is open to interpretation in it, desiring conflict, seeking its inner meaning. No one knows its inner meaning but Allah. Those firmly rooted in knowledge say, 'We believe in it. All of it is from our Lord.' But only people of intelligence pay heed. 'Our Lord, do not make our hearts swerve aside after You have guided us. And give us mercy from You. You are the Ever-Giving. (3:7-8)

Hold fast to the rope of Allah all together, and do not separate. Remember Allah's blessing to you when you were enemies and He joined your hearts together so that you became brothers by His blessing. You were on the very brink of a pit of the Fire and He rescued you from it. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will be guided. (3:103)

There you are, loving them when they do not love you, even though you believe in all the Books. When they meet you, they say, 'We be-

lieve.' But when they leave they bite their fingers out of rage against you. Say, 'Die in your rage.' Allah knows what your hearts contain. (3:119)

Allah only did this for it to be good news for you and so that your hearts might be set at rest by it (help comes from no one but Allah, the Almighty, the All-Wise). (3:126)

Then He sent down to you, after the distress, security, restful sleep overtaking a group of you, whereas another group became prey to anxious thoughts, thinking other than the truth about Allah—thoughts belonging to the Time of Ignorance—saying, 'Do we have any say in the affair at all?' Say, 'The affair belongs entirely to Allah.' They are concealing things inside themselves which they do not disclose to you, saying, 'If we had only had a say in the affair, none of us would have been killed here in this place.' Say, 'Even if you had been inside your homes, those people for whom killing was decreed would have gone out to their place of death.' So that Allah might test what is in your breasts and purge what is in your hearts. Allah knows the contents of your hearts. (3:154)

You who believe! Do not be like those who disbelieve and say of their brothers, when they are going on journeys or military expeditions, 'If they had only been with us, they would not have died or been killed,' so that Allah can make that anguish for them in their hearts. It is Allah Who gives life and causes to die. Allah sees what you do. (3:156)

It is a mercy from Allah that you were gentle with them. If you had been rough or hard of heart, they would have scattered from around you. So pardon them and ask forgiveness for them, and consult with them about the matter. Then when you have reached a firm decision, put your trust in Allah. Allah loves those who put their trust in Him. (3:159)

What assailed you on the day the two armies met was by Allah's permission, so that He would know the believers, and so that He would know the hypocrites. They were told, 'Come and fight in the Way of Allah or at least help defend us.' They said, 'If we knew how to fight, we would certainly follow you.' They were closer to disbe-

lief that day than to faith, saying with their mouths what was not in their hearts. And Allah knows best what they are hiding. (3:166-167)

Allah knows what is in such people's hearts so turn away from them and warn them and speak to them with words that take effect. (4:63)

Because of the fact that they broke their covenant, and rejected Allah's Signs, and killed the Prophets without any right to do so and said, 'Our hearts are uncircumcised,' Allah has stamped them with disbelief, so they do not believe except for very few. (4:155)

Remember Allah's blessing to you and the covenant He made with you when you said, 'We hear and we obey.' Have fear of Allah. Allah knows what the heart contains. (5:7)

But because of their breaking of their covenant, We have cursed them and made their hearts hard. They distort the true meaning of words and have forgotten a good portion of what they were reminded of. You will never cease to come upon some act of treachery on their part, except for a few of them. Yet pardon them, and overlook. Allah loves good-doers. (5:13)

O Messenger! Do not be grieved by those who rush headlong into disbelief among those who say 'We believe' with their tongues when their hearts contain no faith. And among the Jews are those who listen to lies, listening to other people who have not come to you, distorting words from their proper meanings, saying, 'If you are given this, then take it. If you are not given it, then beware!' If Allah desires misguidance for someone, you cannot help him against Allah in any way. Those are the people whose hearts Allah does not want to purify. They will have disgrace in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (5:41)

Yet you see those with sickness in their hearts rushing to them, saying, 'We fear the wheel of fate may turn against us.' But it may well be that Allah will bring about victory or some other contingency from Him. Then they will deeply regret their secret thoughts. (5:52)

They said, 'We want to eat from it and for our hearts to be at peace and to know that you have told us the truth and to be among those who wit-

ness it.' (5:113)

Some of them listen to you but We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. Though they see every Sign, they still have no faith, so that when they come to you, disputing with you, those who disbelieve say, 'This is nothing but the myths of previous peoples!' (6:25)

If only they had humbled themselves when Our violent force came upon them! However, their hearts were hard and Satan made what they were doing seem attractive to them. (6:43)

Say: 'What do you think? If Allah took away your hearing and your sight and sealed up your hearts, what god is there, other than Allah, who could give them back to you?' Look how We vary the Signs, yet still they turn away! (6:46)

We will overturn their hearts and sight, just as when they did not believe in it at first, and We will abandon them to wander blindly in their excessive insolence. (6:110)

In this way We have appointed as enemies to every Prophet Satans from both mankind and from the jinn, who inspire each other with delusions by means of specious words—if your Lord had willed, they would not have done it, so abandon them and all they fabricate—so that the hearts of those who do not believe in the hereafter incline towards them and are pleased with them and perpetrate whatever they perpetrate. (6:112-113)

We will strip away any rancour in their hearts. Rivers will flow under them and they will say, 'Praise be to Allah Who has guided us to this! We would not have been guided, had Allah not guided us. The Messengers of our Lord came with the Truth.' It will be proclaimed to them: 'This is your Garden which you have inherited for what you did.' (7:43)

Is it not clear to those who have inherited the earth after these people that, if We wanted to, We could strike them for their wrong actions, sealing up their hearts so that they cannot hear? (7:100) These cities—We have given you news of them. Their Messengers came to them with Clear Signs, but they were never going to believe in what they had previously rejected. That is how Allah seals

up the hearts of the disbelievers. (7:101) We created many of the jinn and mankind for Hell. They have hearts they do not understand with. They have eyes they do not see with. They have ears they do not hear with. Such people are like cattle. No, they are even further astray! They are the unaware. (7:179)

The believers are those whose hearts tremble when Allah is mentioned, whose faith is increased when His Signs are recited to them, and who put their trust in their Lord; (8:2)

Allah only did this to give you good news and that so your hearts would be at rest. Victory comes from no one but Allah. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (8:10)

And when He overcame you with sleep, making you feel secure, and sent you down water from heaven to purify you and remove the taint of Satan from you, and to fortify your hearts and make your feet firm. (8:11)

And when your Lord revealed to the angels, 'I am with you so make those who believe firm. I will cast terror into the hearts of those who disbelieve, so strike their necks and strike all their finger joints!' (8:12)

You who believe! Respond to Allah and to the Messenger when He calls you to what will bring you to life! Know that Allah intervenes between a man and his heart and that you will be gathered to Him. (8:24)

Remember when Allah showed them to you in your dream as only a few. If He had shown you them as many, you would have lost heart and quarrelled about the matter; but Allah saved you. He knows what your hearts contain. (8:43)

And when the hypocrites and those with sickness in their hearts said, 'These people have been deluded by their religion.' But those who put their trust in Allah will find Allah to be Almighty, All-Wise. (8:49)

And (it is He Who) unified their hearts. Even if you had spent everything on the earth, you could not have unified their hearts. But Allah has unified them. He is Almighty, All-Wise. (8:63)

O Prophet! Say to those you are holding prisoner, 'If Allah knows of any good in your hearts, He will give you something better than what has

been taken from you and forgive you.' Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (8:70)

How indeed! For if they get the upper hand over you, they will respect neither kinship nor treaty. They please you with their mouths but their hearts belie their words. Most of them are deviators. (9:8)

He will remove the rage from their hearts. Allah turns to anyone He wills. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:15)

Only those who do not believe in Allah and the Last Day ask you to excuse them. Their hearts are full of doubt and in their doubt they waver to and fro. (9:45)

The alms are for: the poor, the destitute, those who collect it, reconciling people's hearts, freeing slaves, those in debt, spending in the Way of Allah, and travellers. It is a legal obligation from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:60)

The hypocrites are afraid that a sura may be sent down about them, informing them of what is in their hearts. Say: 'Go on mocking! Allah will expose everything you are afraid of. (9:64)

So He has punished them by putting hypocrisy in their hearts until the day they meet Him because they failed Allah in what they promised Him and because they lied. (9:77)

They are pleased to be with those who stay behind. Their hearts have been stamped so they do not understand. (9:87)

There are only grounds against those who ask you for permission to stay when they are rich. They were pleased to be among those who were left behind. Allah has sealed up their hearts so they do not know. (9:93)

The buildings they have built will not cease to be a bone of contention in their hearts, until their hearts are cut to shreds. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:110)

Allah has turned towards the Prophet, and the Migrants (Muhajirun) and the Supporters (Ansar), those who followed him at the 'time of difficulty', after the hearts of a group of them had almost deviated. Then He turned towards them—He is All-Gentle, Most Merciful to them. (9:117)

But as for those with sickness in their hearts, it adds defilement to their defilement, and they die

while they are disbelievers. (9:125)

Each time a sura is sent down, they look at one another, implying, 'Can anyone see you?' Then they turn away. Allah has turned their hearts away because they are people who do not understand. (9:127)

Mankind! Admonition has come to you from your Lord and also healing for what is in the breasts and guidance and mercy for the believers. (10:57)

Then after him We sent Messengers to their people, and they brought them the Clear Signs, but they were never going to believe in something which they had previously denied. That is how We seal up the hearts of those who overstep the limits. (10:74)

Musa said, 'Our Lord, You have given Pharaoh and his ruling circle finery and wealth in the life of this world, Our Lord, so that they may be misguided from Your Way. Our Lord, obliterate their wealth and harden their hearts so that they do not believe until they see the painful punishment.' (10:88)

See how they wrap themselves round trying to conceal their feelings from Him! No, indeed! When they wrap their garments round themselves, He knows what they keep secret and what they make public. He knows what their hearts contain. (11:5)

As for those who believe and do right actions and humble themselves before their Lord, they are the Companions of the Garden. remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (11:23)

... Say: 'Allah misguides whoever He wills and guides to Himself all who turn to Him: those who believe and whose hearts find peace in the remembrance of Allah. Only in the remembrance of Allah can the heart find peace.' (13:27-28)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord! I have settled some of my offspring by Your Sacred House in an uncultivated valley. Our Lord! Let them perform prayer! Make the hearts of mankind incline towards them and provide them with fruits, so that hopefully they will be thankful.' (14:37)

Do not consider Allah to be unaware of what the wrongdoers perpetrate. He is merely deferring them to a Day on which their sight will be trans-

fixed, rushing headlong--heads back, eyes vacant, hearts hollow. (14:42-43)

In that way We insert it into the evildoers' hearts. (15:12)

We will strip away any rancour in their hearts--brothers, resting on couches face-to-face. (15:47)

Your God is One God. As for those who do not believe in the hereafter, their hearts are in denial and they are puffed up with pride. (16:22)

Allah brought you out of your mothers' wombs knowing nothing at all, and gave you hearing, sight and hearts so that perhaps you would show thanks. (16:78)

Those are the people whose hearts, hearing and sight Allah has sealed up. They are the unaware. (16:108)

Do not pursue what you have no knowledge of. Hearing, sight and hearts will all be questioned. (17:36)

We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. When you mention your Lord alone in the Qur'an, they turn their backs and run away. (17:46) We fortified their hearts when they stood up and said, 'Our Lord is the Lord of the heavens and the earth and We will not call on any god apart from Him. We would in that case have uttered an abomination.' (18:14)

Restrain yourself patiently with those who call on their Lord morning and evening, desiring His face. Do not turn your eyes from them, desiring the attractions of this world. And do not obey someone whose heart We have made neglectful of Our remembrance and who follows his own whims and desires and whose life has transgressed all bounds. (18:28)

Both gardens yielded their crops and did not suffer any loss, and We made a river flow right through the middle of them. (18:33)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who is reminded of the Signs of his Lord and then turns away from them, forgetting all that he has done before? We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. Though you call them to guidance, they will nonetheless never be guided. (18:57)

Their hearts are distracted. Those who do wrong confer together secretly, saying, 'Is this man anything but a human being like yourselves? Do you succumb to magic with your eyes wide open?' (21:13)

That is it. As for those who honour Allah's sacred rites should do so from heartfelt heeding. (22:32)

... Give good news to the humble-hearted, whose hearts quake at the mention of Allah, and who are steadfast in the face of all that happens to them, those who perform prayer and give of what We have provided for them. (22:34-35)

Have they not travelled about the earth and do they not have hearts to understand with or ears to hear with? It is not their eyes which are blind but the hearts in their breasts which are blind. (22:46)

We did not send any Messenger or any Prophet before you without Satan insinuating something into his recitation while he was reciting. But Allah revokes whatever Satan insinuates and then Allah confirms His Signs—Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise—so that He can make what Satan insinuates a trial for those with sickness in their hearts and for those whose hearts are hard—the wrongdoers are entrenched in hostility—and so that those who have been given knowledge will know it is the truth from their Lord and believe in it and their hearts will be humbled to Him. Allah guides those who believe to a straight path. (22:52-54)  
(The believers are) those who give what they have given, their hearts fearful of their return to their Lord. (23:60)

However, their hearts are overwhelmed by ignorance about this matter and they do other things as well. (23:63)

It is He Who has created hearing, sight and hearts for you. What little thanks you show! (23:78)

... there are men who proclaim His glory morning and evening, not distracted by trade or commerce from the remembrance of Allah and the performance of prayer and the giving of the alms; fearing a day when all hearts and eyes will be in turmoil. (24:36-37)

Is there a sickness in their hearts or do they have misgivings or do they fear that Allah and His Messenger will be unjust to them? No, it is sim-

ply that they are wrongdoers. (24:50)

Those who disbelieve say, 'Why was the Qur'an not sent down to him all in one go?' It is so that We can fortify your heart by it. We have recited it distinctly, little by little. (25:32)

(Ibrahim said,) 'The Day when neither wealth nor sons will be of any use—except to those who come to Allah with sound and flawless hearts.' (26:88-89)

The Faithful Spirit brought it down to your heart so you would be one of the Warners. (26:193-194)

That is how We thread it into the hearts of the evildoers. (26:200)

Certainly your Lord knows what their hearts keep hidden and what they divulge. (27:74)

Musa's mother felt a great emptiness in her heart and she almost gave him away; only We fortified her heart so that she would be one of the believers. (28:10)

Your Lord knows what their hearts conceal and what they divulge. (28:69)

There are some people who say, 'We believe in Allah,' and then, when they suffer harm in Allah's cause, they take people's persecution for Allah's punishment; but if help comes from your Lord they say, 'We were with you.' Does Allah not know best what is in every person's heart? (29:10)

No, it is Clear Signs reposed in the hearts of those who have been given knowledge. Only wrongdoers deny Our Signs. (29:49)

In that way Allah seals up the hearts of those who do not know. (30:59)

And do not let the disbelief of those who disbelieve sadden you. They will return to Us and We will inform them about the things they did. Allah knows what the heart contains. (31:23)

Then (He) formed him and breathed His Spirit into him and gave you hearing, sight and hearts. What little thanks you show! (32:9)

Allah has not allotted to any man two hearts within his breast, nor has He made those of your wives you equate with your mothers your actual mothers, nor has He made your adopted sons your actual sons. These are just words coming out of your mouths. But Allah speaks the truth

and He guides to the Way. (33:4)

Call them after their fathers. That is closer to justice in Allah's sight. And if you do not know who their fathers were then they are your brothers in the religion and people under your patronage. You are not to blame for any honest mistake you make but only for what your hearts premeditate. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:5)

When they came at you from above you and below you, when your eyes rolled and your hearts rose to your throats, and you thought unworthy thoughts about Allah. (33:10)

When the hypocrites and people with sickness in their hearts said, 'What Allah and His Messenger promised us was mere delusion.' (33:12)

He brought down from their fortresses those of the People of the Book who supported them and cast terror into their hearts. You killed some of them and some you took prisoner. (33:26)

Wives of the Prophet! You are not like other women provided you guard against evil. Do not be too soft-spoken in your speech lest someone with sickness in his heart becomes desirous. Speak correct and courteous words. (33:32)

You may refrain from any of them you will and keep close to you any of them you will. And if you desire any you have left alone, there is nothing wrong in that. This makes it more likely they will be comforted and not be grieved, and all of them will be content with what you give them. Allah knows what is in your hearts. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Forbearing. (33:51)

You who believe! Do not go into the Prophet's rooms except when you are invited to come and eat. Do not wait there while the food is being cooked. However, when you are called, go in, and when you have eaten, disperse, not remaining there to chat with one another. Doing that gives the prophet trouble though he is ashamed to dismiss you, but Allah is not ashamed (to tell you) the truth. When you ask his wives for something, ask them from behind a screen. That is purer for your hearts and their hearts. It is not right for you to give trouble to the Messenger of Allah or ever to marry his wives after him. To do that would be a dreadful thing in Allah's sight. (33:53)

If the hypocrites and those with sickness in their hearts and the rumour-mongers in Madina do not desist, We will set you onto them. Then they will only be your neighbours there a very short time. (33:60)

Intercession with Him will be of no benefit except from someone who has His permission. So that when the terror has left their hearts they will say, 'What did your Lord say?' They will say, 'The truth. He is the All-High, the Most Great.' (34:23)

Allah knows the Unseen of the heavens and earth. Allah knows what the heart contains. (35:38)

One of his followers in faith was Ibrahim when he came to his Lord with an unblemished heart. (37:83-84)

If you are ungrateful, Allah is rich beyond need of any of you and He is not pleased with ingratitude in His servants. But if you are grateful, He is pleased with you for that. No burden-bearer can bear another's burden. Then you will return to your Lord and He will inform you of what you did. He knows what the heart contains. (39:7)

Is he whose breast is opened to Islam, and who is therefore illuminated by his Lord...? Woe to those whose hearts are hardened against the remembrance of Allah! Such people are clearly misguided. (39:22)

Allah has sent down the Supreme Discourse, a Book consistent in its frequent repetitions. The skins of those who fear their Lord tremble at it and then their skins and hearts yield softly to the remembrance of Allah. That is Allah's guidance by which He guides whoever He wills. And no one can guide those whom Allah misguides. (39:23)

When Allah is mentioned on His own, the hearts of those who do not believe in the hereafter shrink back shuddering, but when others apart from Him are mentioned, they jump for joy. (39:45)

And warn them of the Day of Immediacy when hearts rise choking to the throat. The wrongdoers will have no close friend nor any intercessor who might be heard. (40:18)

Those who argue about the Signs of Allah without any authority coming to them do something hateful in the sight of Allah and in the sight of the people who believe. That is how Allah seals up

the heart of every arrogant oppressor. (40:35) They say, 'Our hearts are covered up against what you call us to and there is a heaviness in our ears. There is a screen between us and you. So act—we are certainly acting.' (41:5)

Or do they ask, 'Has he invented a lie about Allah?' If Allah willed, He could seal up your heart. By His Words Allah wipes out the false and confirms the truth. He knows what the heart contains. (42:24)

Have you seen him who takes his whims and desires to be his god—whom Allah has misguided knowingly, sealing up his hearing and his heart and placing a blindfold over his eyes? Who then will guide him after Allah? So will you not pay heed? (45:23)

We established them far more firmly than We have established you and gave them hearing, sight and hearts. But their hearing, sight and hearts were of no use to them at all when they renounced Allah's Signs and what they mocked at engulfed them. (46:26)

Among them are those who listen to you and then, when they leave your presence, say to those who have been given knowledge, 'What was that he just said?' They are those whose hearts Allah has sealed up and who follow their own desires. (47:16)

Those who believe say, 'If only a sura could be sent down.' But when a straightforward sura is sent down and fighting is mentioned in it, you see those with sickness in their hearts looking at you with the look of someone about to faint from fear of death. More fitting for them would be obedience and honourable words... (47:20-21)

Will they not then ponder the Qur'an or are there locks upon their hearts? (47:24)

Or did those with sickness in their hearts imagine that Allah would not expose their malevolence? (47:29)

It is He Who sent down serenity into the hearts of the believers thereby increasing their faith with more faith—the legions of the heavens and the earth belong to Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (48:4)

Those Arabs who remained behind will say to you, 'Our wealth and families kept us occupied,

so ask forgiveness for us.' They say with their tongues what is not in their hearts. Say: 'Who can control Allah for you in any way whether He wants harm for you or wants benefit for you?' Allah is aware of what you do. (48:11)

No, you thought that the Messenger and the believers were not going to return to their families, and that seemed pleasing to your hearts and you thought evil thoughts and you were a blighted people. (48:12)

Allah was pleased with the believers when they pledged allegiance to you under the tree. He knew what was in their hearts, and sent down serenity to them and has rewarded them with an imminent victory. (48:18)

Those who disbelieve filled their hearts with fanatical rage—the fanatical rage of the Time of Ignorance—and Allah sent down serenity to His Messenger and to the believers, and bound them to the expression of heedfulness which they had most right to and were most entitled to. Allah has knowledge of all things. (48:26)

Those who lower their voices when they are with the Messenger of Allah are people whose hearts Allah has tested for heedfulness. They will have forgiveness and an immense reward. (49:3)

Know that the Messenger of Allah is among you. If he were to obey you in many things, you would suffer for it. However, Allah has given you love of faith and made it pleasing to your hearts, and has made disbelief, deviance and disobedience hateful to you. People such as these are rightly guided. (49:7)

The desert Arabs say, 'We believe.' Say: 'You do not believe. Say rather, "We have become Muslim," for faith has not yet entered into your hearts. If you obey Allah and His Messenger, He will not undervalue your actions in any way. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (49:14)

... It (the Garden) is for every careful penitent: those who fear the All-Merciful in the Unseen and come with a contrite heart. (50:32-33)

There is a reminder in that for anyone who has a heart, or who listens well, having seen the evidence. (50:37)

Has the time not arrived for the hearts of those who believe to yield to the remembrance of

Allah and to the truth He has sent down, so they are not like those who were given the Book before for whom the time seemed over long so that their hearts became hard? Many of them are deviators. (57:16)

Then We sent Our Messengers following in their footsteps and sent 'Isa son of Maryam after them, giving him the Gospel. We put compassion and mercy in the hearts of those who followed him. They invented monasticism—We did not prescribe it for them—purely out of desire to gain the pleasure of Allah, but even so they did not observe it as it should have been observed. To those of them who believed We gave their reward but many of them are deviators. (57:27)

You will not find people who believe in Allah and the Last Day having love for anyone who opposes Allah and His Messenger, though they be their fathers, their sons, their brothers or their clan. Allah has inscribed faith upon such people's hearts and will reinforce them with a Spirit from Him and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. Such people are the party of Allah. Truly it is the party of Allah who are successful. (58:22)

It is He Who expelled those who disbelieved among the People of the Book from their homes to the first gathering-place. You did not think that they would leave and they thought that their fortresses would protect them from Allah. Then Allah came upon them from where they least expected it and cast terror into their hearts. Their houses were pulled down by their own hands and by the hands of the believers. People of insight, take note! (59:2)

Those who have come after them say, 'Our Lord, forgive us and our brothers who preceded us in faith and do not put any rancour in our hearts towards those who believe. Our Lord, You are All-Gentle, Most Merciful.' (59:10)

They will not fight against you all together as a group except in fortified towns or behind high walls. Their hostility towards each other is intense. They are full of bravado in each other's company. You consider them united but their

hearts are scattered wide. That is because they are people who do not use their intellect. (59:14) Remember when Musa said to his people, 'My people, why do you mistreat me when you know that I am the Messenger of Allah to you?' So when they deviated, Allah made their hearts deviate. Allah does not guide people who are deviators. (61:5)

That is because they have believed and then returned to disbelief. So their hearts have been sealed up and they cannot understand. (63:3) No misfortune occurs except by Allah's permission. Whoever believes in Allah—He will guide his heart. Allah has knowledge of all things. (64:11)

If the two of you would only turn to Allah, for your hearts clearly deviated... But if you support one another against him, Allah is his Protector and so are Gabriel and every right-acting man of the believers and, furthermore, the angels too will come to his support. (66:4)

Whether you keep your words secret or say them out loud He knows what the heart contains. (67:13)

Say: 'It is He Who brought you into being and gave you hearing, sight and hearts. What little thanks you show!' (67:23)

We have only appointed angels as masters of the Fire and We have only specified their number as a trial for those who disbelieve; so that those who were given the Book might gain in certainty, and those who believe might increase in their faith, and both those who were given the Book and the believers might have no doubt; and so that those with sickness in their hearts and the disbelievers might say, 'What did Allah intend by this example?' In this way Allah misguides those He wills and guides those He wills. No one knows the legions of your Lord but Him. This is nothing but a reminder to all human beings. (74:31)

On the Day the first blast shudders, and the second blast follows it, hearts that Day will be pounding and eyes will be cast down. (79:6-9)

No indeed! Rather what they have earned has rusted up their hearts. (83:14)

The kindled Fire of Allah reaching right into the heart. (104:6-7)

Say: 'I seek refuge with the Lord of mankind, the King of mankind, the God of mankind, from the evil of the insidious whisperer who whispers in people's breasts and comes from the jinn and from mankind.' (114:1-6)

## HEAVEN

It is He Who created everything on the earth for you and then directed His attention up to heaven and arranged it into seven regular heavens. He has knowledge of all things. (2:29)

He said, 'Adam, tell them their names.' When he had told them their names, He said, 'Did I not tell you that I know the Unseen of the heavens and the earth, and I know what you make known and what you hide?' (2:33)

Do you not know that Allah is He to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and the earth belongs and that, besides Allah, you have no protector and no helper? (2:107)

They say, 'Allah has a son.' Glory be to Him! No, everything in the heavens and earth belongs to Him. Everything is obedient to Him. (2:116)

The Originator of the heavens and earth. When He decides on something, He just says to it, 'Be!' and it is. (2:117)

In the creation of the heavens and earth, and the alternation of the night and day, and the ships which sail the seas to people's benefit, and the water which Allah sends down from the sky--by which He brings the earth to life when it was dead and scatters about in it creatures of every kind--and the varying direction of the winds, and the clouds subservient between heaven and earth, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (2:164)

Allah, there is no god but Him, the Living, the Self-Sustaining. He is not subject to drowsiness or sleep. Everything in the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. Who can intercede with Him except by His permission? He knows what is before them and what is behind them but they cannot grasp any of His knowledge save what He wills. His Footstool encompasses the heavens and the earth and their preservation does not tire Him. He is the Most High, the Magnificent. (2:255)

Everything in the heavens and everything in the earth belongs to Allah. Whether you divulge what is in yourselves or keep it hidden, Allah will still call you to account for it. He forgives whoever He wills and He punishes whoever He wills. Allah has power over all things. (2:284)

Say, 'Whether you conceal what is in your breasts or make it known, Allah knows it. He knows what is in the heavens and what is on earth. Allah has power over all things.' (3:29)

Is it other than the religion of Allah that you desire, when everything in the heavens and earth, willingly or unwillingly, submits to Him and to Him you will be returned? (3:83)

Everything in the heavens and everything in the earth belongs to Allah. All matters return to Allah. (3:109)

Race each other to forgiveness from your Lord and a Garden as wide as the heavens and the earth, prepared for the people who guard against evil. (3:133)

Those who are tight-fisted with the bounty Allah has given them should not suppose that that is better for them. No indeed, it is worse for them! What they were tight-fisted with will be hung around their necks on the Day of Rising. Allah is the inheritor of the heavens and the earth and Allah is aware of what you do. (3:180)

The kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs to Allah. Allah has power over all things. (3:189)

In the creation of the heavens and the earth, and the alternation of night and day, there are Signs for people with intelligence: those who remember Allah, standing, sitting and lying on their sides, and reflect on the creation of the heavens and the earth: 'Our Lord, You have not created this for nothing. Glory be to You! So safeguard us from the punishment of the Fire.' (3:190-191)

What is in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Allah. Allah encompasses all things. (4:126)

What is in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Allah. We have instructed those given the Book before you and you yourselves, to have fear of Allah, but if you disbelieve, what is in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Allah. Allah is Rich Beyond Need, Praiseworthy. (4:131)

What is in the heavens and in the earth belongs

to Allah. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:132) Mankind! The Messenger has brought you the truth from your Lord, so it is better for you to believe. But if you disbelieve, everything in the heavens and the earth belongs to Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:170)

People of the Book! Do not go to excess in your religion. Say nothing but the truth about Allah. The Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, was only the Messenger of Allah and His Word, which He cast into Maryam, and a Spirit from Him. So believe in Allah and His Messengers. Do not say, 'Three.' It is better that you stop. Allah is only One God. He is too Glorious to have a son! Everything in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Him. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:171)

Those who say, 'Allah is the Messiah, son of Maryam,' are disbelievers. Say: 'Who possesses any power at all over Allah if He desires to destroy the Messiah, son of Maryam, and his mother, and everyone else on earth?' The kingdom of the heavens and the earth and everything between them belongs to Allah. He creates whatever He wills. Allah has power over all things. (5:17)

The Jews and Christians say, 'We are Allah's children and His loved ones.' Say: 'Why, then, does He punish you for your wrong actions? No, you are merely human beings among those He has created. He forgives whoever He wills and He punishes whoever He wills. The kingdom of the heavens and the earth and everything between them belongs to Allah. He is our final destination.' (5:18)

Do you not know that the kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs to Allah? He punishes whoever He wills and forgives whoever He wills. Allah has power over all things. (5:40)

Allah has made the Kaaba, the Sacred House, a special institution for mankind, and also the sacred months and the sacrificial animals and the ritual garlands. That is so you will know that Allah knows what is in the heavens and in the earth and that Allah has knowledge of all things. (5:97)

The kingdom of the heavens and the earth and everything in them belongs to Allah. He has

power over all things. (5:120)

Praise belongs to Allah Who created the heavens and the earth and appointed darkness and light. Then those who disbelieve make others equal to their Lord! (6:1)

He is Allah in the heavens and in the earth. He knows what you keep secret and what you make public and He knows what you earn. (6:3)

Say: 'To whom does everything in the heavens and earth belong?' Say: 'To Allah.' He has made mercy incumbent on Himself. He will gather you to the Day of Rising about which there is no doubt. As for those who have lost their own selves, they have no faith. (6:12)

Say: 'Am I to take anyone other than Allah as my protector, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and the earth, He Who feeds and is not fed?' Say: 'I am commanded to be the first of the Muslims,' and, 'Do not be among the idolaters.' (6:14)

It is He Who created the heavens and the earth with truth. The day He says 'Be!' it is. His speech is Truth. The Kingdom will be His on the Day the Trumpet is blown, the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible. He is the All-Wise, the All-Aware. (6:73)

Because of that We showed Ibrahim the dominions of the heavens and the earth so that he might be one of the people of certainty. (6:75)

(Ibrahim said,) 'I have turned my face to Him Who brought the heavens and earth into being, a pure natural believer. I am not one of the idolaters.' (6:79)

He is the Originator of the heavens and the earth. How could He have a son when He has no wife? He created all things and He has knowledge of all things. (6:101)

Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then settled Himself firmly on the Throne. He covers the day with the night, each pursuing the other urgently; and the sun and moon and stars are subservient to His command. Both creation and command belong to Him. Blessed be Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (7:54)

Say: 'Mankind! I am the Messenger of Allah to you all, of Him to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs. There is no god but

Him. He gives life and causes to die.' So believe in Allah and His Messenger, the Ummi, who believes in Allah and His words, and follow him so that hopefully you will be guided. (7:158)

Have they not looked into the dominions of the heavens and the earth and what Allah has created, and seen that it may well be that their appointed time is near? In what discourse after this will they believe? (7:185)

They will ask you about the Hour: when is it due? Say: 'Knowledge of it rests with my Lord alone. He alone will reveal it at its proper time. It hangs heavy in the heavens and the earth. It will not come upon you except suddenly.' They will ask you as if you had full knowledge of it. Say: 'Knowledge of it rests with Allah alone. But most people do not know that.' (7:187)

There have been twelve months with Allah in the Book of Allah, from the day He first created the heavens and earth. Four of them are forbidden. That is the True Religion. So do not wrong one another during them. However, fight the idolaters totally just as they fight you totally, and know that Allah is with those who guard against evil. (9:36)

Allah is He to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs. He gives life and causes to die. You have no protector or helper besides Allah. (9:116)

Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then established Himself firmly on the Throne. He directs the whole affair. No one can intercede except with His permission. That is Allah your Lord, so worship Him. Will you not pay heed? (10:3)

In the alternation of night and day and what Allah has created in the heavens and the earth there are Signs for people who guard against evil. (10:6)

They worship, instead of Allah, what can neither harm them nor help them, saying, 'These are our intercessors with Allah.' Say: 'Would you inform Allah of something about which He does not know either in the heavens or on the earth?' May He be glorified and exalted above what they associate with Him! (10:18)

Yes, everything in the heavens and earth belongs

to Allah. Yes, Allah's promise is true but most of them do not know it. (10:55)

Yes, indeed! Everyone in the heavens and everyone on the earth belongs to Allah. Those who call on something other than Allah are not really following their partner-gods. They are only following conjecture. They are only guessing. (10:66)

They say, 'Allah has a son.' Glory be to Him! He is the Rich Beyond Need. Everything in the heavens and everything on the earth belongs to Him. Have you authority to say this or are you saying about Allah what you do not know? (10:68)

Say: 'Look at what there is in the heavens and on the earth.' But Signs and warnings are of no avail to people who have no faith. (10:101)

It is He Who created the heavens and the earth in six days when His Throne was on the water, in order to test which of you has the best actions. If you say, 'You will be raised up after death,' those who disbelieve will say, 'This is nothing but downright magic.' (11:7)

As for those who are wretched, they will be in the Fire, where they will sigh and gasp, remaining in it timelessly, for ever, as long as the heavens and earth endure, except as your Lord wills. Your Lord is the Doer of what He wills. (11:106-107)

As for those who are glad, they will be in the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever, as long as the heavens and earth endure, except as your Lord wills: an uninterrupted gift. (11:108)

The Unseen of the heavens and the earth belongs to Allah and the whole affair will be returned to Him. So worship Him and put your trust in Him. Your Lord is not unaware of what you do. (11:123)

(Yusuf said,) 'My Lord, You have granted power to me on earth and taught me the true meaning of events. Originator of the heavens and earth, You are my Friend in this world and the Next. So take me as a Muslim at my death and join me to the people who are righteous.' (12:101)

How many Signs there are in the heavens and earth! Yet they pass them by, turning away from them. (12:105)

Allah is He Who raised up the heavens without

any support—you can see that—and then established Himself firmly on the Throne. He made the sun and moon subservient, each running for a specified term. He directs the whole affair. He makes the Signs clear so that hopefully you will be certain about the meeting with your Lord. (13:2)

Say: ‘Who is the Lord of the heavens and the earth?’ Say: ‘Allah.’ Say: ‘So why have you taken protectors apart from Him who possess no power to help or harm themselves?’ Say: ‘Are the blind and seeing equal? Or are darkness and light the same? Or have they assigned partners to Allah who create as He creates, so that all creating seems the same to them?’ Say: ‘Allah is the Creator of everything. He is the One, the All-Conquering.’ (13:16)

Allah is He to Whom everything in the heavens and everything in the earth belongs. Woe to the disbelievers because of a terrible punishment. (14:2)

Their Messengers said, ‘Is there any doubt about Allah, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and the earth? He summons you to forgive you for your wrong actions and to defer you until a specified time.’ They said, ‘You are nothing but human beings like ourselves who want to debar us from what our fathers worshipped; so bring us a clear authority.’ (14:10)

Do you not see that Allah has created the heavens and the earth with truth? If He wished He could eliminate you and bring about a new creation. (14:19)

Allah is He Who created the heavens and the earth and sends down water from the sky and by it brings forth fruits as provision for you. He has made the ships subservient to you to run upon the sea by His command, and He has made the rivers subservient to you. (14:32)

On the Day the earth is changed to other than the earth, and the heavens likewise, and they parade before Allah, the One, the All-Conquering, that Day you will see the evildoers yoked together in chains. (14:48-49)

We did not create the heavens and earth and everything between them, except with truth. The Hour is certainly coming, so turn away gra-

ciously. (15:85)

He created the heavens and the earth with truth. He is exalted above anything they associate with Him. (16:3)

Everything in the heavens and every creature on the earth prostrates to Allah, as do the angels. They are not puffed up with pride. (16:49)

Everything in the heavens and earth belongs to Him, and the religion belongs to Him, firmly and for ever. So why do you fear anyone other than Allah? (16:52)

Allah has given you wives from among yourselves, and given you children and grandchildren from your wives, and provided good things for you. So why do they believe in falsehood and reject the blessings of Allah, and worship, instead of Allah, things that have no control over their provision from the heavens or earth in any way, and are themselves completely impotent? (16:72-73)

The Unseen of the heavens and earth belongs to Allah. The matter of the Hour is only the blink of an eye away, or even nearer. Allah has power over all things. (16:77)

The seven heavens and the earth and everyone in them glorify Him. There is nothing which does not glorify Him with praise but you do not understand their glorification. He is All-Forbearing, Ever-Forgiving. (17:44)

My Lord knows best everyone in the heavens and earth. We favoured some of the Prophets over others. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (17:55)

Do they not see that Allah, Who created the heavens and earth, has the power to create the like of them, and has appointed fixed terms for them of which there is no doubt? But the wrong-doers still spurn anything but disbelief. (17:99) He (Musa) said, ‘You know that no one sent these down but the Lord of the heavens and earth to be clear proofs. Pharaoh, I think you are destroyed.’ (17:102)

We fortified their hearts when they stood up and said, ‘Our Lord is the Lord of the heavens and the earth and We will not call on any god apart from Him. We would in that case have uttered an abomination.’ (18:14)

Say: ‘Allah knows best how long they stayed. The

Unseen of the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. How perfectly He sees, how well He hears! They have no protector apart from Him. Nor does He share His rule with anyone.' (18:26)  
I did not make them witnesses of the creation of the heavens and the earth nor of their own creation. I would not take as assistants those who lead astray! (18:51)

He is Lord of the heavens and the earth and everything in between them, so worship Him and persevere in His worship. Do you know of any other with His Name? (19:65)

The heavens are all but rent apart and the earth split open and the mountains brought crashing down, at their ascription of a son to the All-Merciful! (19:90-91)

There is no one in the heavens and earth who will not come to the All-Merciful as a servant. (19:93)

(The Qur'an is) a Revelation from Him Who created the earth and the high heavens. (20:4)

Everything in the heavens and everything on the earth and everything in between them and everything under the ground belongs to Him. (20:6)

Everyone in the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. Those in His presence do not consider themselves too great to worship Him and do not grow tired of it. (21:19)

Do those who disbelieve not see that the heavens and the earth were sewn together and then We unstitched them and that We made from water every living thing? So will they not believe? (21:30)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'Far from it! Your Lord is the Lord of the heavens and the earth, He Who brought them into being. I am one of those who bear witness to that.' (21:56)

Do you not see that everyone in the heavens and everyone on the earth prostrates to Allah, and the sun and moon and stars and the mountains, trees and beasts and many of mankind? But many of them inevitably merit punishment. Those Allah humiliates will have no one to honour them. Allah does whatever He wills. (22:18)

Everything in the heavens and everything in the earth belongs to Him. Allah is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy. (22:64)

If the truth were to follow their whims and desires, the heavens and the earth and everyone in them would have been brought to ruin. No indeed! We have given them their Reminder, but they have turned away from it. (23:71)

Say: 'Who is the Lord of the Seven Heavens and the Lord of the Mighty Throne?' (23:86)

Allah is the Light of the heavens and the earth. The metaphor of His Light is that of a niche in which is a lamp, the lamp inside a glass, the glass like a brilliant star, lit from a blessed tree, an olive, neither of the east nor of the west, its oil all but giving off light even if no fire touches it. Light upon Light. Allah guides to His Light whoever He wills and Allah makes metaphors for mankind and Allah has knowledge of all things. (24:35)

Do you not see that everyone in the heavens and earth glorifies Allah, as do the birds with their outspread wings? Each one knows its prayer and glorification. Allah knows what they do. (24:41)  
Everything in the heavens and the earth belongs to Allah. He knows what you are engaged upon. On the Day when they are returned to Him, He will inform them of what they did. Allah has knowledge of all things. (24:64)

He to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and the earth belongs. He does not have a son and He has no partner in the Kingdom. He created everything and determined it most exactly. (25:2)

Say: 'The One Who sent it down is He Who knows all hidden secrets in the heavens and earth. He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (25:6)  
He Who created the heavens and the earth and everything in between them in six days, and then established Himself firmly on the Throne; the All-Merciful—ask anyone who is informed about Him. (25:59)

He (Musa) said, 'The Lord of the heavens and the earth and everything between them if you knew for sure.' (26:24)

(The hoopoe said,) 'I found both her (Queen of Sheba) and her people prostrating to the sun instead of Allah. Satan has made their actions seem good to them and debarred them from the Way so they are not guided and do not prostrate to Allah, Who brings out what is hidden in the heavens and the earth, and knows what you con-

ceal and what you divulge.' (27:24-25)

He Who created the heavens and the earth and sends down water for you from the sky by which We make luxuriant gardens grow—you could never make their trees grow. Is there another god besides Allah? No indeed, but they are people who equate others with Him! (27:60)

Say: 'No one in the heavens and the earth knows the Unseen except Allah.' They are not aware of when they will be raised. (27:65)

On the Day the Trumpet is blown and everyone in the heavens and everyone on the earth is terrified—except those Allah wills, everyone will come to Him abject. (27:87)

Allah created the heavens and the earth with truth. There is certainly a Sign in that for the believers. (29:44)

Say: 'Allah is a sufficient witness between me and you.' He knows everything in the heavens and the earth. Those who believe in falsehood and reject Allah, they are the losers. (29:52)

If you ask them, 'Who created the heavens and the earth and made the sun and moon subservient?' they will say, 'Allah.' So how have they been perverted? (29:61)

Have they not reflected within themselves? Allah did not create the heavens and the earth and everything between them except with truth and for a fixed term. Yet many people reject the meeting with their Lord. (30:8)

Praise be to Him in the heavens and the earth, in the afternoon and when you reach midday. (30:18)

Among His Signs is the creation of the heavens and earth and the variety of your languages and colours. There are certainly Signs in that for every being. (30:22)

Everyone in the heavens and earth belongs to Him. All are submissive to Him. (30:26)

It is He Who originated creation and then regenerates it. That is very easy for Him. His is the most exalted designation in the heavens and the earth. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (30:27)

It is Allah Who created the heavens with no support—you can see them—and cast firmly embedded mountains on the earth so that it would not move under you, and scattered about in it crea-

tures of every kind. And We send down water from the sky and make every generous species grow in it. (31:10)

(Luqman said,) 'My son, even if something weighs as little as a mustard-seed and is inside a rock or anywhere else in the heavens or earth, Allah will bring it out. Allah is All-Pervading, All-Aware.' (31:16)

Do you not see that Allah has subjected to you everything in the heavens and earth and has showered His blessings upon you, both outwardly and inwardly? Yet there are people who argue about Allah without knowledge or guidance or any illuminating Book. (31:20)

If you asked them, 'Who created the heavens and the earth?' they would say, 'Allah!' Say: 'Praise be to Allah!' But most of them do not know. (31:25) Everything in the heavens and earth belongs to Allah. Allah is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy. (31:26)

Allah is He Who created the heavens and the earth and everything between them in six days and then established Himself firmly upon the Throne. You have no protector or intercessor apart from Him. So will you not pay heed? (32:4) We offered the Trust to the heavens, the earth and the mountains but they refused to take it on and shrank from it. But man took it on. He is indeed wrongdoing and ignorant. (33:72)

Praise be to Allah, to Whom everything in the heavens and everything in the earth belongs, and praise be to Him in the hereafter. He is the All-Wise, the All-Aware. (34:1)

Those who disbelieve say, 'The Hour will never come.' Say: 'Yes, by my Lord, it certainly will come!' He is the Knower of the Unseen, Whom not even the weight of the smallest particle eludes, either in the heavens or in the earth; nor is there anything smaller or larger than that which is not in a Clear Book. (34:3)

Say: 'Call on those you make claims for besides Allah. They have no power over even the smallest particle, either in the heavens or in the earth. They have no share in them. He has no need of their support.' (34:22)

Say: 'Who provides for you from the heavens and earth?' Say: 'Allah. It is certain that one or the

other of us, either we or you, is following guidance or else clearly astray.' (34:24)

Praise be to Allah, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and earth, He Who made the angels messengers, with wings—two, three or four. He adds to creation in any way He wills. Allah has power over all things. (35:1)

Allah knows the Unseen of the heavens and earth. Allah knows what the heart contains. (35:38)

Say: 'Have you thought about your partner gods, those you call upon besides Allah? Show me what they have created of the earth; or do they have a partnership in the heavens?' Have We given them a Book whose Clear Signs they follow? No indeed! The wrongdoers promise each other nothing but delusion. (35:40)

Allah keeps a firm hold on the heavens and earth, preventing them from vanishing away. And if they vanished no one could then keep hold of them. Certainly He is Most Forbearing, Ever-Forgiving. (35:41)

Have they not travelled in the land and seen the final fate of those before them? They were far greater than them in strength. Allah cannot be withheld in any way, either in the heavens or on earth. He is All-Knowing, All-Powerful. (35:44)

Does He Who created the heavens and earth not have the power to create the same again? Yes indeed! He is the Creator, the All-Knowing. (36:81) Lord of the heavens and the earth and everything between them; Lord of the Easts. (37:5)

Or does the kingdom of the heavens and earth and everything between them belong to them? Let them, in that case, climb the ropes to heaven! (38:10)

Say: 'I am only a warner. There is no god except Allah, the One, the All-Conquering, Lord of the heavens and the earth and everything between them, the Almighty, the Endlessly Forgiving.' (38:65-66)

He created the heavens and the earth with truth. He wraps the night around the day and wraps the day around the night, and has made the sun and moon subservient, each one running for a specified term. Is He not indeed the Almighty, the Endlessly Forgiving? (39:5)

If you ask them, 'Who created the heavens and the earth?' they will say, 'Allah.' Say: 'So what do you think? If Allah desires harm for me, can those you call upon besides Allah remove His harm? Or if He desires mercy for me, can they withhold His mercy?' Say: 'Allah is enough for me. All those who truly trust put their trust in Him.' (39:38)

Say: 'Intercession is entirely Allah's affair. The kingdom of the heavens and earth is His. Then you will be returned to Him.' (39:44)

Say: 'O Allah, Originator of the heavens and the earth, Knower of the Unseen and the Visible, You will judge between Your servants regarding what they differed about.' (39:46)

The keys of the heavens and earth belong to Him. It is those who reject Allah's Signs who are the losers. (39:63)

They do not measure Allah with His true measure. The whole earth will be a mere handful for Him on the Day of Rising the heavens folded up in His right hand. Glory be to Him! He is exalted above the partners they ascribe! (39:67)

The Trumpet will be blown and those in the heavens and those in the earth will all lose consciousness, except those Allah wills. Then it will be blown a second time and at once they will be standing upright, looking on. (39:68)

Pharaoh said, 'Haman, build me a tower so that perhaps I may gain means of access, access to the heavens, so that I can look on Musa's God. Truly I think he is a liar.' That is how Pharaoh's evil actions were made attractive to him and he debarred others from the Path. Pharaoh's scheming led to nothing but ruin. (40:36-37)

The creation of the heavens and earth is far greater than the creation of mankind. But most of mankind do not know it. (40:57)

In two days He determined them as seven heavens and revealed, in every heaven, its own mandate. We adorned the lowest heaven with lamps and guarded it. That is the decree of the Almighty, the All-Knowing. (41:12)

Everything in the heavens and everything in the earth belongs to Him. He is the Most High, the Magnificent. (42:4)

The heavens are all but rent asunder from above

when the angels glorify their Lord with praise and ask forgiveness for those who are on the earth. Allah is the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful. (42:5)

(He is) the Bringer into Being of the heavens and the earth: He has given you mates from among yourselves, and given mates to the livestock, in that way multiplying you. Nothing is like Him. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Seeing. (42:11)

The Keys of the heavens and earth belong to Him. He expands the provision of anyone He wills or restricts it. He has knowledge of all things. (42:12)

Among His Signs is the creation of the heavens and earth and all the creatures He has spread about in them. And He has the power to gather them together whenever He wills. (42:29)

The kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs to Allah. He creates whatever He wills. He gives daughters to whoever He wishes; and He gives sons to whoever He wishes. (42:49)

### **HEREAFTER, THE (AKHIRAH)**

(Those who guard against evil are) those who believe in what has been sent down to you and what was sent down before you, and are certain about the hereafter. (2:4)

Those are the people who trade the hereafter for this world. The punishment will not be lightened for them. They will not be helped. (2:86)

Say, 'If the abode of the hereafter with Allah is for you alone, to the exclusion of all others, then long for death if you are telling the truth.' (2:94)

They follow what the Satans recited in the reign of Sulayman. Sulayman did not disbelieve, but the Satans did, teaching people sorcery and what had been sent down to Harut and Marut, the two angels in Babylon, who taught no one without first saying to him, 'We are merely a trial and temptation, so do not disbelieve.' People learned from them how to separate a man and his wife but they cannot harm anyone by it, except with Allah's permission. They have learned what will harm them and will not benefit them. They know that any who deal in it will have no share in the hereafter. What an evil thing they have sold themselves for if they only knew! (2:102)

When you have completed your rites, remember Allah as you used to remember your forefathers—or even more. There are some people who say, 'Our Lord, give us good in this world.' They will have no share in the hereafter. (2:200)

And there are others who say, 'Our Lord, give us good in this world, and good in the hereafter, and safeguard us from the punishment of the Fire.' (2:201)

They will ask you about the Sacred Month and fighting in it. Say, 'Fighting in it is a serious matter; but barring access to the Way of Allah and rejecting Him and barring access to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and expelling its people from it are far more serious in the sight of Allah. Discord is worse than killing.' They will not stop fighting you until they make you revert from your religion, if they are able. As for any of you who revert from their religion and die disbeliever, their actions will come to nothing in this world and the hereafter. They are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:217)

... Allah makes the Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect on this world and the hereafter. They will ask you about the property of orphans. Say, 'Managing it in their best interests is best.' If you mix your property with theirs, they are your brothers. Allah knows a squanderer from a good manager. If Allah had wanted, He could have been hard on you. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:219-220)

They are the ones whose actions come to nothing in this world or the hereafter. They will have no helpers. (3:22)

When the angels said, 'Maryam, your Lord gives you good news of a Word from Him. His name is the Messiah, 'Isa, son of Maryam, of high esteem in this world and the hereafter, and one of those brought near. (3:45)

As for those who disbelieve, I will punish them with a harsh punishment in this world and the hereafter. They will have no helpers.' (3:56)

Those who sell Allah's contract and their own oaths for a paltry price, such people will have no portion in the hereafter and on the Day of Rising Allah will not speak to them or look at them or

purify them. They will have a painful punishment. (3:77)

If anyone desires anything other than Islam as a religion, it will not be accepted from him, and in the hereafter he will be among the losers. (3:85) They believe in Allah and the Last Day, and enjoin the right and forbid the wrong, and compete in doing good. They are among the righteous. (3:114)

No self can die except with Allah's permission, at a predetermined time. If anyone desires the reward of this world, We will give him some of it. If anyone desires the reward of the hereafter, We will give him some of it. We will recompense the thankful. (3:145)

So Allah gave them the reward of this world and the best reward of the hereafter. Allah loves good-doers. (3:148)

Allah fulfilled His promise to you when you were slaughtering them by His permission. But then you faltered, disputing the command, and disobeyed after He showed you what you love. Among you are those who want this world and among you are those who want the hereafter. Then He turned you from them in order to test you—but He has pardoned you. Allah shows favour to the believers. (3:152)

Do not let those who rush headlong into disbelief sadden you. They do not harm Allah in any way. Allah desires to assign no portion to them in the hereafter. They will have a terrible punishment. (3:176)

So let those who sell the life of this world for the hereafter fight in the Way of Allah. If someone fights in the Way of Allah, whether he is killed or is victorious, We will pay him an immense reward. (4:74)

Do you not see those who were told: 'Hold back from fighting but perform prayer and give the alms'? Then when fighting is prescribed for them, a group of them fear people as Allah should be feared, or even more than that. They say, 'Our Lord, why have you prescribed fighting for us? If only You would give us just a little more time!' Say, 'The enjoyment of this world is very brief. The hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. You will not be wronged by so much

as the smallest speck.' (4:77)

If anyone desires the reward of this world, the reward of both this world and hereafter is with Allah. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Seeing. (4:134)

Today all good things have been made lawful for you. And the food of those given the Book is also lawful for you and your food is lawful for them. So are chaste women from among the believers and chaste women of those given the Book before you, once you have given them their dowries in marriage, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. But as for anyone who rejects faith, his actions will come to nothing and in the hereafter he will be among the losers. (5:5)

The reprisal against those who wage war on Allah and His Messenger, and go about the earth corrupting it, is that they should be killed or crucified, or have their alternate hands and feet cut off, or be banished from the land. That will be their degradation in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment, (5:33) O Messenger! Do not be grieved by those who rush headlong into disbelief among those who say 'We believe' with their tongues when their hearts contain no faith. And among the Jews are those who listen to lies, listening to other people who have not come to you, distorting words from their proper meanings, saying, 'If you are given this, then take it. If you are not given it, then beware!' If Allah desires misguidance for someone, you cannot help him against Allah in any way. Those are the people whose hearts Allah does not want to purify. They will have disgrace in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (5:41)

The life of this world is nothing but a game and a diversion. The hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. So will you not use your intellect? (6:32)

This is a Book We have sent down and blessed, confirming what came before it, so that you can warn the Mother of Cities (Makka) and the people around it. Those who believe in the hereafter believe in it and safeguard their prayer. (6:92)

In this way We have appointed as enemies to every Prophet Satans from both mankind and from the jinn, who inspire each other with delu-

sions by means of specious words—if your Lord had willed, they would not have done it, so abandon them and all they fabricate—so that the hearts of those who do not believe in the hereafter incline towards them and are pleased with them and perpetrate whatever they perpetrate. (6:112-113)

Say: ‘Produce your witnesses to testify that Allah made this forbidden.’ If they do testify, do not testify with them and do not follow the whims and desires of people who deny Our Signs, and who do not believe in the hereafter and make others equal to their Lord. (6:150)

The Companions of the Garden will call out to the Companions of the Fire, ‘We have found that what our Lord promised us is true. Have you found that what your Lord promised you is true?’ They will say, ‘Yes, we have!’ Between them a herald will proclaim: ‘May the curse of Allah be on the wrongdoers those who bar access to the Way of Allah, seeking in it something crooked, and reject the hereafter.’ (7:44-45)

As for those who denied Our Signs and the encounter of the hereafter, their actions will come to nothing. Will they be repaid except for what they did? (7:147)

(Musa said,) ‘Prescribe good for us in this world and the hereafter. We have truly turned to You.’ He said, ‘As for My punishment, I strike with it anyone I will. My mercy extends to all things but I will prescribe it for those who guard against evil and give the alms, and those who believe in Our Signs.’ (7:156)

An evil generation has succeeded them, inheriting the Book, taking the goods of this lower world, and saying, ‘We will be forgiven.’ But if similar goods come to them again they still take them. Has not a covenant been made with them in the Book, that they should only say the truth about Allah and have they not studied what is in it? The Abode of the Hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. Will you not use your intellect? (7:169)

It is not fitting for a Prophet to take captives until he has thoroughly subdued the land. You desire the goods of this world, whereas Allah desires the hereafter. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (8:67)

You who believe! What is the matter with you that when you are told, ‘Go out and fight in the way of Allah,’ you sink down heavily to the earth? Are you happier with this world than the hereafter? Yet the enjoyment of this world is very small compared to that of the hereafter. (9:38)

Like those before you who had greater strength than you and more wealth and children. They enjoyed their portion; so enjoy your portion as those before you enjoyed theirs. You have plunged into defamation as they plunged into it. The actions of such people come to nothing in this world or the hereafter. They are the lost. (9:69)

They swear by Allah that they said nothing, but they definitely spoke the word of disbelief and returned to disbelief after their Islam. They planned something which they did not achieve and they were vindictive for no other cause than that Allah and His Messenger had enriched them from His bounty. If they were to repent, it would be better for them. But if they turn away, Allah will punish them with a painful punishment in this world and the hereafter, and they will not find any protector or helper on the earth. (9:74)

There is good news for them (the believers) in the life of this world and in the hereafter. There is no changing the words of Allah. That is the great victory! (10:64)

But such people will have nothing in the hereafter but the Fire. What they achieved here will come to nothing. What they did will prove to be null and void. (11:16)

(Allah's curse is on) those who bar access to the way of Allah and seek in it something crooked and reject the hereafter. (11:19)

Without question they will be the greatest losers in the hereafter. (11:22)

There is certainly a Sign in that for anyone who fears the punishment of the hereafter. That is a Day to which mankind will all be gathered. That is a Day which will be witnessed by everyone. (11:103)

He (Yusuf) said, ‘No meal to feed you will arrive before I have informed you what they mean. That is part of what my Lord taught me. For I have left the religion of a people who clearly have no faith

in Allah and who refuse to acknowledge the truth of the world to come.' (12:37)

But the wages of the hereafter are the best for people who believe and fear their Lord. (12:57) (Yusuf said,) 'My Lord, You have granted power to me on earth and taught me the true meaning of events. Originator of the heavens and earth, You are my Friend in this world and the hereafter. So take me as a Muslim at my death and join me to the people who are righteous.' (12:101)

We sent none before you but men inspired with revelation from among the people of the cities. Have they not travelled in the land and seen the final fate of those before them? The abode of the hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. So will you not use your intellect? (12:109) Allah expands provision to anyone He wills and restricts it. They rejoice in the life of this world. Yet the life of this world, compared to the hereafter, is only fleeting enjoyment. (13:26)

They will receive punishment in the life of this world and the punishment of the hereafter is harsher still. They have no defender against Allah. (13:34)

Those who prefer the life of this world to the hereafter, and bar access to the way of Allah, seeking in it something crooked; they are greatly misguided. (14:3)

Allah makes those who believe firm with the Firm Word in the life of this world and the hereafter. But Allah misguides the wrongdoers. Allah does whatever He wills. (14:27)

Your God is One God. As for those who do not believe in the hereafter, their hearts are in denial and they are puffed up with pride. (16:22)

When those who have fear of Allah are asked, 'What has your Lord sent down?' their reply is, 'Good!' There is good in this world for those who do good, and the abode of the hereafter is even better. How wonderful is the abode of those who guard against evil. (16:30)

As for those who migrate for Allah's sake after being wronged, We shall give them good lodging in this world, and the reward of the hereafter is greater still if they only knew. (16:41)

Those who do not believe in the hereafter have an evil likeness. Allah's is the Highest Likeness.

He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (16:60)

That is because they prefer the life of this world to the hereafter and because Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (16:107)

There is no doubt that in the hereafter they will be the losers. (16:109)

We gave him good in this world and in the hereafter he will be one of the righteous. (16:122)

But as for those who do not believe in the hereafter, We have prepared for them a painful punishment. (17:10)

But as for anyone who desires the hereafter, and strives for it with the striving it deserves, being a believer, the striving of such people will be gratefully acknowledged. (17:19)

Look how We favour some of them over others. But the hereafter has higher ranks and greater favours. (17:21)

When you recite the Qur'an, We place an obscuring veil between you and those who do not believe in the hereafter. (17:45)

Those who are blind in this world will be blind in the hereafter and even further off the Path. (17:72)

We said to the tribe of Israel after that, 'Inhabit the land and, when the promise of the hereafter comes, We will produce you as a motley crowd.' (17:104)

That is how We repay anyone who is profligate and does not believe in the Signs of his Lord. And the punishment of the hereafter is much harsher and longer lasting. (20:127)

Among the people there is one who worships Allah right on the edge. If good befalls him, he is content with it, but if a trial befalls him, he reverts to his former ways, losing both this world and the hereafter. That is indeed sheer loss. (22:11)

Anyone who thinks that Allah will not help him in this world and the hereafter should stretch a rope up to the ceiling and then cut (it) off. Let him see whether his stratagem gets rid of what enrages him! (22:15)

The ruling circle of his people--those who disbelieved and denied the encounter of the hereafter and whom We had given opulence in this world--said, 'This is nothing but a human being

like yourselves who eats what you eat and drinks what you drink.' (23:33)

But those who do not believe in the hereafter recoil from the path. (23:74)

Were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, both in this world and the hereafter, a terrible punishment would have afflicted you for your plunging headlong into it. (24:14)

People who love to see filth being spread about concerning those who believe will have a painful punishment both in this world and the hereafter. Allah knows and you do not know. (24:19)

Those who accuse chaste believing women, unaware (of the evil), are cursed both in this world and the hereafter, and they will have a terrible punishment. (24:23)

(Believers are) those who perform prayer and give the alms and are certain about the hereafter. (27:3)

As for those who do not believe in the hereafter, We have made their actions appear good to them and they wander about blindly. (27:4)

Such people will receive an evil punishment and will be the greatest losers in the hereafter. (27:5)

No, their knowledge stops short of the hereafter. In fact they have doubts about it. In fact they are blind to it. (27:66)

He is Allah. There is no god but Him. Praise be to Him in this world and the hereafter. Judgement belongs to Him. You will be returned to Him. (28:70) (His people said to Qarun,) 'Seek the abode of the hereafter with what Allah has given you, without forgetting your portion of this world. And do good as Allah has been good to you. And do not seek to cause corruption in the earth. Allah does not love corrupters.' (28:77)

That abode of the hereafter—We grant it to those who do not seek to exalt themselves in the earth or to cause corruption in it. The successful outcome is for those who guard against evil. (28:83)

Say: 'Travel about the earth and see how He brought creation out of nothing. Then later Allah will bring about the next existence (of the hereafter). Allah has power over all things. (29:20)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub and placed Prophethood and the Book among his progeny. We gave him his reward in this world and in the

hereafter he will be among the righteous. (29:27)

The life of this world is nothing but a game and a diversion. The abode of the hereafter—that is truly Life if they only knew. (29:64)

They know an outward aspect of the life of this world but are heedless of the hereafter. (30:7)

But as for those who disbelieved and denied Our Signs and the meeting of the hereafter, they will be summoned to the punishment. (30:16)

(The good-doers are) those who perform prayer and give the alms and are certain of the hereafter. (31:4)

(O Prophet, tell your wives:) 'But if you desire Allah and His Messenger and the abode of the hereafter, Allah has prepared an immense reward for those among you who are good-doers.' (33:29)

As for those who abuse Allah and His Messenger, Allah's curse is on them in this world and the hereafter. He has prepared a humiliating punishment for them. (33:57)

Praise be to Allah, to Whom everything in the heavens and everything in the earth belongs, and praise be to Him in the hereafter. He is the All-Wise, the All-Aware. (34:1)

Has he invented a lie against Allah or is he possessed? No indeed! Those who do not believe in the hereafter are in punishment and deeply misguided. (34:8)

He (Satan) had no authority over them except to enable Us to know those who believe in the hereafter from those who are in doubt about it. Your Lord is the Preserver of all things. (34:21)

What of him who spends the night hours in prayer, prostrating and standing up, mindful of the hereafter, hoping for the mercy of his Lord? Say: 'Are they the same—those who know and those who do not know?' It is only people of intelligence who pay heed. (39:9)

So Allah made them taste disgrace in the life of this world and the punishment of the hereafter is far worse if they only knew. (39:26)

When Allah is mentioned on His own, the hearts of those who do not believe in the hereafter shrink back shuddering, but when others apart from Him are mentioned, they jump for joy. (39:45)

(The man who believed said,) ‘My people! The life of this world is only fleeting enjoyment. It is the hereafter which is the abode of permanence.’ (40:39)

There is no question that what you call me to has no foundation either in this world or the hereafter, that our return is to Allah, and that the profligate will be Companions of the Fire. (40:43) (Woe to) those who do not give the alms and reject the hereafter. (41:7)

So We sent a howling wind against them on disastrous ill-fated days to make them taste the punishment of degradation in this world. And the punishment of the hereafter is even more degrading. And they will not be helped. (41:16)

We are your protectors in the life of this world and the hereafter. You will have there all that yourselves could wish for. You will have there everything you demand. (41:31)

If anyone desires to cultivate the hereafter, We will increase him in his cultivation. If anyone desires to cultivate this world, We will give him some of it but he will have no share in the hereafter. (42:20)

Were it not that mankind might all become one community, We would have given those who reject the All-Merciful silver roofs to their houses and silver stairways to ascend and silver doors to their houses and silver couches on which to recline, and gold ornaments. All that is merely the trappings of the life of this world. But the hereafter with your Lord is for those who guard against evil. (43:33-35)

Those who do not believe in the hereafter give the angels female names. (53:27)

Know that the life of this world is merely a game and a diversion and ostentation and a cause of boasting among yourselves and trying to outdo one another in wealth and children: like the plant-growth after rain which delights the cultivators, but then it withers and you see it turning yellow, and then it becomes broken stubble. In the hereafter there is terrible punishment but also forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure. The life of this world is nothing but the enjoyment of delusion. (57:20)

If Allah had not prescribed banishment for them,

He would have punished them in this world. But in the hereafter they will have the punishment of the Fire. (59:3)

You who believe! Do not make friends of people with whom Allah is angry, who have despaired of the hereafter as the disbelievers have despaired of the inhabitants of the graves. (60:13)

Such is the punishment. And the punishment of the hereafter is much greater if they only knew. (68:33)

No indeed! The truth is they do not fear the hereafter. (74:53)

No indeed! But you love this fleeting world and you disregard the hereafter. (75:20-21)

So Allah made an example of him seizing him with punishment in this world and the hereafter. (79:25)

Yet still you prefer the life of this world, when the hereafter is better and longer lasting. (87:16-17)

## HEAVY RAIN

You who believe! Do not nullify your charity by demands for gratitude or insulting words, like him who spends his wealth, showing off to people and not believing in Allah and the Last Day. His likeness is that of a smooth rock coated with soil, which, when heavy rain falls on it, is left stripped bare. They have no power over anything they have earned. Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (2:264)

The metaphor of those who spend their wealth, desiring the pleasure of Allah and firmness for themselves, is that of a garden on a hillside. When heavy rain falls on it, it doubles its produce; and if heavy rain does not fall, there is dew. Allah sees what you do. (2:265)

## HEED

Do not marry women of the idolaters until they believe. A slavegirl who is one of the believers is better for you than a woman of the idolaters, even though she may attract you. And do not marry men of the idolaters until they believe. A slave who is one of the believers is better for you than a man of the idolaters, even though he may attract you. Such people call you to the Fire whereas Allah calls you, with His permission, to

the Garden and forgiveness. He makes His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will pay heed. (2:221)

If you divorce them before you have touched them but have already allotted them a dowry, they should have half the amount which you allotted, unless they forgo it or the one in charge of the marriage contract forgoes it. To forgo it is closer to heedfulness. Do not forget to show generosity to one another. Allah sees what you do. (2:237)

He gives wisdom to whoever He wills and he who has been given wisdom has been given great good. But no one pays heed but people of intelligence. (2:269)

It is He Who sent down the Book to you from Him: verses containing clear judgements—they are the core of the Book—and others which are open to interpretation. Those with deviation in their hearts follow what is open to interpretation in it, desiring conflict, seeking its inner meaning. No one knows its inner meaning but Allah. Those firmly rooted in knowledge say, ‘We believe in it. All of it is from our Lord.’ But only people of intelligence pay heed. (3:7)

You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

You who believe! Show integrity for the sake of Allah, bearing witness with justice. Do not let hatred for a people incite you into not being just. Be just. That is closer to heedfulness. Have fear of Allah. Allah is aware of what you do. (5:8)

His people argued with him. He said, ‘Are you arguing with me about Allah when He has guided me? I have no fear of any partner you ascribe to Him unless my Lord should will such a thing to happen. My Lord encompasses all things

in His knowledge so will you not pay heed? (6:80)

And that you do not go near the property of orphans before they reach maturity—except in a good way; that you give full measure and full weight with justice—We impose on no self any more than it can bear; that you are equitable when you speak—even if a near relative is concerned; and that you fulfil Allah’s contract. That is what He instructs you to do, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (6:152)

Children of Adam! We have sent down clothing to you to conceal your private parts, and fine apparel, but the garment of heedfulness—that is best! That is one of Allah’s Signs, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (7:26)

We seized Pharaoh’s people with years of drought and scarcity of fruits so that hopefully they would pay heed. (7:130)

Do they not see that they are tried once or twice in every year? But still they do not turn back. They do not pay heed. (9:126)

Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then established Himself firmly on the Throne. He directs the whole affair. No one can intercede except with His permission. That is Allah your Lord, so worship Him. Will you not pay heed? (10:3)

The likeness of the two groups is that of the blind and deaf and the seeing and hearing. Are they the same as one another? So will you not pay heed? (11:24)

Perform prayer at each end of the day and in the first part of the night. Good actions eradicate bad actions. This is a reminder for people who pay heed. (11:114)

Is he who knows that what has been sent down to you from your Lord is the truth like him who is blind? It is only people of intelligence who pay heed: (13:19)

It bears fruit regularly by its Lord’s permission. Allah makes metaphors for people so that hopefully they will pay heed. (14:25)

This is a communication to be transmitted to mankind so that they may be warned by it and so that they will know that He is One God and so that people of intelligence will pay heed. (14:52)

And also the things of varying colours He has created for you in the earth. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who pay heed. (16:13)

Is He Who creates like him who does not create? So will you not pay heed? (16:17)

Allah commands justice and doing good and giving to relatives. And He forbids indecency and doing wrong and tyranny. He warns you so that hopefully you will pay heed. (16:90)

We have made things clear in this Qur'an so that they might pay heed, but it only makes them run away the more! (17:41)

(He said to Musa,) 'But speak to him with gentle words so that hopefully he will pay heed or show some fear.' (20:44)

We gave to Musa and Harun the Discrimination and a Shining Light and a Reminder for the heedful. (21:48)

That is it. As for those who honour Allah's sacred rites should do so from heartfelt heeding. (22:32)

Their flesh and blood does not reach Allah but your heedfulness does reach Him. In this way He has subjected them to you so that you might proclaim Allah's greatness for the way that He has guided you. Give good news to the good-doers. (22:37)

Say: 'To whom does the earth belong, and everyone in it, if you have any knowledge?' They will say: 'To Allah.' Say: 'So will you not pay heed?' (23:84-85)

A sura We have sent down and imposed. We have sent down Clear Signs in it so that hopefully you will pay heed. (24:1)

You who believe! Do not enter houses other than your own until you have asked permission and greeted their inhabitants. That is better for you, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (24:27)

We have variegated it for them so they might pay heed but most people spurn anything else but disbelief. (25:50)

It is He Who made night and day succeed each other for those who want to pay heed or to give thanks. (25:62)

He Who responds to the oppressed when they call on Him and removes their distress, and has appointed you as inheritors of the earth. Is there another god besides Allah? How little you pay

heed! (27:62)

We gave Musa the Book after destroying the earlier nations, to awaken people's hearts and as a guidance and a mercy so that hopefully they would pay heed. (28:43)

Nor were you on the side of the Mount when We called, yet it is a mercy from your Lord so that you can warn a people to whom no warner came before, so that hopefully they will pay heed. (28:46)

We have conveyed the Word to them so that hopefully they will pay heed. (28:51)

Allah is He Who created the heavens and the earth and everything between them in six days and then established Himself firmly upon the Throne. You have no protector or intercessor apart from Him. So will you not pay heed? (32:34)

They will shout out in it, 'Our Lord! Take us out! We will act rightly, differently from the way we used to act!' Did We not let you live long enough for anyone who was going to pay heed to pay heed? And did not the warner come to you? Taste it then! There is no helper for the wrongdoers. (35:37)

When they are reminded they do not pay heed. (37:13)

Will you not pay heed? (37:155)

It is a Book We have sent down to you, full of blessing, so let people of intelligence ponder its Signs and take heed. (38:29)

What of him who spends the night hours in prayer, prostrating and standing up, mindful of the hereafter, hoping for the mercy of his Lord? Say: 'Are they the same--those who know and those who do not know?' It is only people of intelligence who pay heed. (39:9)

We have given all kinds of examples to people in this Qur'an, so that hopefully they will pay heed. (39:27)

It is He Who shows you His Signs and sends down provision to you out of heaven. But none pay heed save those who repent. (40:13)

The blind and the seeing are not the same. Nor are those who believe and do right actions the same as evildoers. What little heed they pay! (40:58)

We have made it easy in your own tongue so that hopefully they will pay heed. (44:58)

Have you seen him who takes his whims and desires to be his god—whom Allah has misguided knowingly, sealing up his hearing and his heart and placing a blindfold over his eyes? Who then will guide him after Allah? So will you not pay heed? (45:23)

Those who disbelieve filled their hearts with fanatical rage—the fanatical rage of the Time of Ignorance—and Allah sent down serenity to His Messenger and to the believers, and bound them to the expression of heedfulness which they had most right to and were most entitled to. Allah has knowledge of all things. (48:26)

Those who lower their voices when they are with the Messenger of Allah are people whose hearts Allah has tested for heedfulness. They will have forgiveness and an immense reward. (49:3)

And the Garden will be brought up close to the heedful, not far away. (50:31)

The heedful will be among Gardens and Fountains. (51:15)

And We created all things in pairs so that hopefully you would pay heed. (51:49)

You have known the first formation, so will you not pay heed? (56:62)

It is not the word of a poet—how little faith you have! Nor the word of a fortune-teller—how little heed you pay! (69:41-42)

It (the Qur'an) is a reminder for the heedful. (69:48)

No indeed! It is truly a reminder to which anyone who wills may pay heed. (74:54-55)

But they will only pay heed if Allah wills. He is entitled to be feared and entitled to forgive. (74:56)

The heedful will be amid shade and fountains. (77:41)

Do you think he is rightly guided or commands heedfulness? (96:11-12)

## HEEL

In this way We have made you a middlemost community, so that you may act as witnesses against mankind and the Messenger as a witness against you. We only appointed the direction

you used to face in order to know those who follow the Messenger from those who turn round on their heels. Though in truth it is a very hard thing—except for those Allah has guided. Allah would never let your faith go to waste. Allah is All-Gentle, Most Merciful to mankind. (2:143) Muhammad is only a Messenger and he has been preceded by other Messengers. If he were to die or be killed, would you turn on your heels? Those who turn on their heels do not harm Allah in any way. Allah will recompense the thankful. (3:144)

You who believe! If you obey those who disbelieve, they will turn you round on your heels and you will be transformed into losers. (3:149)

Say: 'Are we to call on something besides Allah which can neither help nor harm us, and to turn on our heels after Allah has guided us, like someone the Satans have lured away in the earth, leaving him confused and stupefied, despite the fact that he has companions calling him to guidance, saying, "Come with us!"?' Say: 'Allah's guidance, that is true guidance. We are commanded to submit as Muslims to the Lord of all the worlds.' (6:71)

When Satan made their actions appear good to them, saying, 'No one will overcome you today for I am at your side.' But when the two parties came in sight of one another, he turned right round on his heels saying, 'I wash my hands of you. I see what you do not see. I fear Allah. Allah is severe in retribution.' (8:48)

My Signs were recited to you and you turned round on your heels, (23:66)

## HEIGHTS, THE (A'RAF)

There will be a dividing wall between them and on the heights there will be men who recognise everyone by their mark. They will call out to the people of the Garden: 'Peace be upon you!' They will not enter it for all their ardent desire to do so. When they turn their eyes towards the Companions of the Fire, they will say, 'Our Lord, do not place us with the people of the wrongdoers!' The Companions of the Heights will call out to men they recognise by their mark, saying, 'What you amassed was of no use to you, nor was your arrogance.' (7:46-48)

## **HELL (JAHANNAM)**

When he is told to have fear of Allah, he is seized by pride which drives him to wrongdoing. Hell will be enough for him! What an evil resting-place! (2:206)

Say to those who disbelieve: 'You will be overwhelmed and crowded into Hell. What an evil resting-place!' (3:12)

On the Day when faces are whitened and faces are blackened. As for those whose faces are blackened: 'What! Did you disbelieve after having believed? Taste the punishment for your disbelief!' (3:106)

Is someone who pursues the pleasure of Allah the same as someone who incurs displeasure from Allah and whose refuge is Hell? What an evil destination! (3:162)

A brief enjoyment; then their shelter will be Hell. What an evil resting-place! (3:197)

Some of them believe in him, and some bar access to him. Hell will suffice as a Searing Blaze! (4:55)

As for those who reject Our Signs, We will roast them in a Fire. Every time their skins are burned off, We will replace them with new skins so that they can taste the punishment. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (4:56)

As for anyone who kills a believer deliberately, his repayment is Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. Allah is angry with him and has cursed him, and has prepared for him a terrible punishment. (4:93)

The angels ask those they take while they are wronging themselves, 'What were your circumstances?' They reply, 'We were oppressed on earth.' They say, 'Was Allah's earth not wide enough for you to have migrated elsewhere in it?' The shelter of such people will be Hell. What an evil destination! (4:97)

But if anyone opposes the Messenger after the guidance has become clear to him, and follows other than the path of the believers, We will hand him over to whatever he has turned to, and We will roast him in Hell. What an evil destination! (4:115)

The shelter of such people will be Hell. They will find no way to escape from it. (4:121)

It has been sent down to you in the Book that

when you hear Allah's Signs being rejected and mocked at by people, you must not sit with them till they start talking of other things. If you do you are just the same as them. Allah will gather all the hypocrites and disbelievers into Hell. (4:140) Allah will not forgive those who disbelieve and do wrong or guide them on any path, except the path of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever and ever. That is easy for Allah. (4:168-169)

If only you could see when they are standing before the Fire and saying, 'Oh! If only we could be sent back again, we would not deny the Signs of our Lord and we would be among the believers.' (6:27)

If only you could see when they are standing before their Lord. He will say, 'Is this not the Truth?' They will say, 'Yes indeed, by our Lord!' He will say, 'Then taste the punishment for your disbelief.' (6:30)

On the Day We gather them all together: 'Company of jinn, you gained many followers among mankind.' And their friends among mankind will say, 'Our Lord, we benefited from one another, and now we have reached the term which You determined for us.' He will say, 'The Fire is your home. You will be in it timelessly, for ever, except as Allah wills. Your Lord is All-Wise, All-Knowing.' (6:128)

He said, 'Get out of it, reviled and driven out. As for those of them who follow you, I will fill up Hell with every one of you.' (7:18)

He will say, 'Enter the Fire together with the nations of jinn and men who have passed away before you.' Each time a nation enters, it will curse its sister nation, until, when they are all gathered together in it, the last of them will say to the first, 'Our Lord, those are the ones who misguided us, so give them a double punishment in the Fire.' He will say, 'Each will receive double. But you do not know it.' (7:38)

The first of them will say to the last, 'You are in no way superior to us so taste the punishment for what you earned.' (7:39)

As for those who deny Our Signs and are arrogant regarding them, the Gates of Heaven will not be opened for them, and they will not enter the Garden until a camel goes through a needle's

eye. That is how We repay the evildoers. (7:40) They will have Hell as a resting-place and covering layers on top of them. That is how We repay wrongdoers. (7:41)

When they turn their eyes towards the Companions of the Fire, they will say, 'Our Lord, do not place us with the people of the wrongdoers!' (7:47)

The Companions of the Ramparts will call out to men they recognise by their mark, saying, 'What you amassed was of no use to you, nor was your arrogance.' (7:48)

The Companions of the Fire will call out to the Companions of the Garden, 'Throw down some water to us or some of what Allah has given you as provision.' They will say, 'Allah has forbidden them to the disbelievers: those who took their religion as a diversion and a game, and were deluded by the life of this world.' Today We will forget them just as they forgot the encounter of this Day and denied Our Signs. (7:50-51)

We created many of the jinn and mankind for Hell. They have hearts they do not understand with. They have eyes they do not see with. They have ears they do not hear with. Such people are like cattle. No, they are even further astray! They are the unaware. (7:179)

Anyone who turns his back on them that day, unless he is withdrawing to rejoin the fight or withdrawing to support another group, brings Allah's anger down upon himself. His refuge is Hell. What an evil destination! (8:16)

Those who disbelieve spend their wealth barring access to the Way of Allah. They will spend it; then they will regret it; then they will be overthrown. Those who disbelieve will be gathered into Hell, so that Allah can sift the bad out from the good, and pile the bad on top of one another, heaping them all together, and tip them into Hell. They are the lost. (8:36-37)

On the Day it is heated up in the fire of Hell and their foreheads, sides and backs are branded with it: 'This is what you hoarded for yourselves, so taste what you were hoarding!' (9:35)

Among them are there some who say, 'Give me permission to stay. Do not put temptation in my way.' Have they not fallen into that very tempta-

tion? Hell hems in the disbelievers. (9:49)

Do they not know that whoever opposes Allah and His Messenger, will have the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever? That is the great disgrace. (9:63)

Allah has promised the men and women of the hypocrites and disbelievers the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. It will suffice them. Allah has cursed them. They will have everlasting punishment. (9:68)

O Prophet, strive against the disbelievers and hypocrites and be harsh with them. Their shelter will be Hell. What an evil destination! (9:73)

Those who were left behind were glad to stay behind the Messenger of Allah. They did not want to strive with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah. They said, 'Do not go out to fight in the heat.' Say: 'The Fire of Hell is much hotter, if they only understood.' (9:81)

They will swear to you by Allah when you return to them, so that you leave them alone. Leave them alone, then! They are filth. Their shelter will be Hell as repayment for what they did. (9:95)

Who is better: someone who finds his building on fear of Allah and His good pleasure, or someone who finds his building on the brink of a crumbling precipice so that it collapses with him into the Fire of Hell? Allah does not love wrongdoers. (9:109)

If your Lord had wanted to, He would have made mankind into one community but they persist in their differences, except for those your Lord has mercy on. That is what He created them for--so that the Word of your Lord would be fulfilled: 'I will fill up Hell with the jinn and mankind all together.' (11:118-119)

Those who respond to their Lord will receive the best. But as for those who do not respond to Him, even if they owned everything on the earth and the same again with it, they would offer it as a ransom. They will receive an evil Reckoning. Their shelter will be Hell. What an evil resting-place! (13:18)

And beyond him is Hell where he will be given pus to drink. He gulps at it but can hardly swallow it down. Death comes at him from every side

but he does not die. And beyond him is relentless punishment. (14:16-17)

Hell, where they will roast? What an evil place to stay! (14:29)

Warn mankind of the Day when the punishment will reach them. Those who did wrong will say, 'Our Lord, reprieve us for a short time. We will respond to Your call and follow the Messengers.' 'But did you not swear to Me before that you would never meet your downfall?' (14:44)

Hell is the promised meeting-place for all of them. (15:43)

It has seven gates and each gate has its allotted share. (15:44)

As for those the angels take in death while they are wronging themselves, they will offer their submission: 'We did not do any evil.' Oh yes you did! Allah knows what you were doing. (16:28) (Wrongdoers will be told:) 'Enter the gates of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. How evil is the abode of the arrogant!' (16:29)

(We decreed in the Book for the tribe of Israel:) 'It may well be that your Lord will have mercy on you. But if you revert to what you did, We also will revert. We have made Hell a prison for the disbelievers.' (17:8)

As for anyone who desires this fleeting existence, We hasten in it whatever We will to whoever We want. Then We will consign him to Hell where he will roast, reviled and driven out. (17:18) That is part of the wisdom your Lord has revealed to you. Do not set up another god together with Allah and so be thrown into Hell, blamed and driven out. (17:39)

He said, 'Go! And as for any who follow you, your repayment is Hell, repayment in full!' (17:63)

Whoever Allah guides is truly guided. But as for those He leads astray, you will not find any protectors for them apart from Him. We will gather them on the Day of Rising, flat on their faces, blind, dumb and deaf. Their shelter will be Hell. Whenever the Blaze dies down, We will increase it for them. (17:97)

Say: 'It is the truth from your Lord; so let whoever wishes believe and whoever wishes disbelieve.' We have prepared for the wrongdoers a Fire whose

billowing walls of smoke will hem them in. If they call for help, they will be helped with water like seething molten brass, frying their faces. What a noxious drink! What an evil repose! (18:29)

We will abandon them, that Day, to pound against each other in surging waves and the Trumpet will be blown and We will gather them all together. (18:99)

That Day We will display Hell in its totality to the disbelievers. (18:100)

Do those who disbelieve imagine that they can take My servants as protectors instead of Me? We have prepared Hell as hospitality for the disbelievers! (18:102)

That is their repayment–Hell–because they disbelieved and made a mockery of My Signs and of My Messengers. (18:106)

By your Lord, We will collect them and the Satans together. Then We will assemble them around Hell on their knees. (19:68)

Say: 'As for those who are astray, let the All-Merciful prolong their term until they see what they were promised, whether it be the punishment or the Hour. Then they will know who is in the worse position and has the weaker troops.' (19:75)

But We will drive the evildoers to Hell, like cattle to a watering hole. (19:86)

As for those who come to their Lord as evildoers, they will have Hell where they will neither die nor stay alive. (20:74)

Were any of them to say, 'I am a god apart from Him,' We would repay him with Hell. That is how We repay wrongdoers. (21:29)

You and what you worship besides Allah are fuel for Hell. You will go down into it. (21:98)

There will be sighing for them in it and they will not be able to hear. (21:100)

Here are two rival groups who disputed concerning their Lord. Those who disbelieve will have garments of fire cut out for them, and boiling water poured over their heads. (22:19)

Every time they want to come out of it, because of their suffering, they will be driven back into it: 'Taste the punishment of the Burning!' (22:22)

Those whose scales are heavy, they are the successful. Those whose scales are light, they are the

losers of their selves, remaining in Hell timelessly, for ever. The Fire will sear their faces, making them grimace horribly in it, their lips drawn back from their teeth. Were My Signs not recited to you and did you not deny them? They will say, 'Our Lord, our miserable destiny overpowered us. We were misguided people. Our Lord, remove us from it! Then if we revert again, we will definitely be wrongdoers.' He will say, 'Slink away into it and do not speak to Me.' (23:102-108)

But instead, they deny the Hour; and We have prepared a Searing Blaze for those who deny the Hour. (25:11)

When they are flung into a narrow place in it, shackled together in chains, they will cry out there for destruction. 'Do not cry out today for just one destruction, cry out for many destructions!' Say: 'Is that better, or the Garden of Eternal Life which has been promised to those who guard against evil? That is their recompense and destination.' (25:13-15)

So now they have disowned you for what you said, and they cannot avert it or give you any help. As for anyone among you who has done wrong, We will make him suffer great punishment. (25:19)

On the Day they see the angels, there will be no good news that Day for the evildoers. They will say, 'There is an absolute ban.' (25:22)

We will advance on the actions they have done and make them scattered specks of dust. (25:23). Those who are herded headlong into Hell, such people are in the worst position. They are the most misguided from the way. (25:34)

(The servants of the All-Merciful are) those who say, 'Our Lord, avert from us the punishment of Hell, its punishment is inescapable pain.' (25:65) He said, 'You have adopted idols apart from Allah as tokens of mutual affection in this world. But then on the Day of Rising you will reject one another and curse one another. The Fire will be your shelter. You will have no helpers.' (29:25)

They ask you to hasten the punishment but Hell already encircles the disbelievers. (29:54)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies the truth when it

comes to him? Is there not shelter in Hell for the disbelievers? (29:68)

But as for those who disbelieved and denied Our Signs and the meeting of the hereafter, they will be summoned to the punishment. (30:16)

(Evildoers will be told,) 'Had We so willed We could have given guidance to everyone, but now My Words are shown to be true: that I shall fill up Hell entirely with jinn and human beings.' (32:13) But as for those who are deviators, their refuge is the Fire. Every time that they want to get out, they are put straight back into it again and they are told, 'Taste the punishment of the Fire, which you deserved.' (32:20)

Whereas for those who disbelieve there will be the Fire of Hell. They will not be killed off so that they die and its punishment will not be lightened for them. That is how We repay every thankless man. (35:36)

They will shout out in it, 'Our Lord! Take us out! We will act rightly, differently from the way we used to act!' Did We not let you live long enough for anyone who was going to pay heed to pay heed? And did not the warner come to you? Taste it then! There is no helper for the wrongdoers. (35:37)

This is the Hell that you were promised. (36:63)

Hell, where they will roast. What an evil resting-place! (38:56)

(He said,) 'I will fill up Hell with you and every one of them who follows you.' (38:85)

Is someone who tries to shield himself with his face from the worst of the torment on the Day of Rising...? The wrongdoers will be told, 'Taste what you have earned.' (39:24)

Who could do greater wrong than those who lie about Allah and deny the truth when it comes to them? Do the disbelievers not have a dwelling place in Hell? (39:32)

On the Day of Rising you will see those who lied against Allah with their faces blackened. Do not the arrogant have a dwelling place in Hell? (39:60)

Those who disbelieve will be driven to Hell in companies and when they arrive there and its gates are opened, its custodians will say to them, 'Did Messengers from yourselves not come to

you, reciting your Lord's Signs to you and warning you of the meeting on this Day of yours?' They will say, 'Indeed they did, but the decree of punishment is justly carried out against the disbelievers.' (39:71)

They will be told, 'Enter the gates of Hell and stay there timelessly, for ever. How evil is the abode of the arrogant!' (39:72)

Those in the Fire will say to the custodians of Hell, 'Call on your Lord to make the punishment less for us for just one day.' (40:49)

Your Lord says, 'Call on Me and I will answer you. Those who are too proud to worship Me will enter Hell abject.' (40:60)

(Deniers will be told,) 'Enter the gates of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. How evil is the abode of the arrogant!' (40:76)

The evildoers will remain timelessly, for ever, in the punishment of Hell. (43:74)

Hell is right at their heels. Nothing they have earned will be of any use to them, nor will those they took as protectors besides Allah. They will have a terrible punishment. (45:10)

And so that He might punish the men and women of the hypocrites and the men and women of the idolaters--those who think bad thoughts about Allah. They will suffer an evil turn of fate. Allah is angry with them, and has cursed them and prepared Hell for them. What an evil destination! (48:6)

(Custodians of Hell will be told,) 'Hurl into Hell every obdurate disbeliever, impeder of good, doubt-causing aggressor, who set up another god together with Allah. Hurl him into the terrible punishment.' (50:24-26)

On the Day He says to Hell, 'Are you full?' it will ask, 'Are there no more to come?' (50:30)

The Day they are shoved roughly into the Fire of Hell: (deniers will be told,) 'This is the Fire which you denied! So is this magic? Or is it that you do not see? Roast in it! And bear it patiently or do not bear it patiently. It makes no difference either way. You are simply being repaid for what you did.' (52:13-16)

This is Hell which the evildoers deny. (55:43) They will go back and forth between fire and scalding water. (55:44)

(Say:) 'This will be their hospitality on the Day of Judgment!' (56:56)

That Day the men and women of the hypocrites will say to those who believe, 'Wait for us so that we can borrow some of your light.' They will be told, 'Go back and look for light!' And a wall will be erected between them with a gate in it, on the inside of which there will be mercy but before whose exterior lies the punishment. (57:13)

Do you not see those who were forbidden to confer together secretly returning to the very thing they were forbidden to do, and conferring together secretly in wrongdoing and enmity and disobedience to the Messenger? And when they come to you they greet you with words Allah has never used in greeting you, and say to themselves 'Why does Allah not punish us for what we say?' Hell will be enough for them! They will roast in it. What an evil destination! (58:8)

'You who disbelieve! Do not try to excuse yourselves today. You are merely being repaid for what you did.' (66:7)

O Prophet! Strive against the disbelievers and hypocrites and be harsh with them. Their refuge is Hell. What an evil destination! (66:9)

Those who reject their Lord will have the punishment of Hell. What an evil destination! (67:6)

It all but bursts with rage. Each time a group is flung into it its custodians will question them: 'Did no warner come to you?' They will say, 'Yes indeed, a warner did come to us but we denied him and said, "Allah has sent nothing down. You are just greatly misguided." They will say, 'If only we had really listened and used our intellect, we would not have been Companions of the Blaze.' Then they will acknowledge their wrong actions. Away with the Companions of the Blaze! (67:8-11)

(Say: 'It has been revealed to me that a band of the jinn listened and said,) "Some of us are Muslims and some are deviators. Those who have become Muslim are those who sought right guidance; the deviators will be firewood for Hellfire." (72:14-15)

Say: 'No one can protect me from Allah and I will never find any refuge apart from Him--only in transmitting from Allah and His Messages. As

for him who disobeys Allah and His Messenger, he will have the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever and ever.' (72:22-23)

I will roast him in Saqr. (74:26)

They (the companions of the Right) will ask the evildoers: 'What caused you to enter Saqr?' (74:41-42)

We have made ready for the disbelievers shackles and chains and a Searing Blaze. (76:4)

Hell lies in wait. (78:21)

So taste! We will increase you only in punishment. (78:30)

Those who persecute men and women of the believers, and then do not repent, will have the punishment of Hell, will have the punishment of the Burning. (85:10)

Some faces on that Day will be downcast, labouring, toiling endlessly, roasting in a red-hot Fire, drinking from a boiling spring. They have no food but a bitter thorny bus which neither nourishes nor satisfies. (88:2-7)

And that Day Hell is produced, that Day man will remember; but how will the remembrance help him? (89:23)

Those who reject Our signs, they are the Companions of the Left. (90:19)

I have warned you of a Fire which rages, in which only the most wretched will roast. (92:14-15)

We will call the Guards of Hell! (96:18)

The People of the Book who disbelieve and the idolaters will be in the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. They are the worst of creatures. (98:6)

But as for him whose balance is light, his motherland is Hawiya. And what will convey to you what that is? A raging Fire! (101:8-11)

No indeed, if you only knew with the Knowledge of Certainty, you will certainly see the Blazing Fire! Then you will certainly see it with the Eye of Certainty. (102:5-7)

Woe to every faultfinding backbiter who has amassed wealth and hoarded it! He thinks his wealth will make him live for ever. No indeed! He will be flung into the Shatterer. And what will convey to you what the Shatterer is? The kindled Fire of Allah reaching right into the heart. It is sealed in above them in towering columns. (104:1-9)

Ruin to the hands of Abu Lahab and ruin to him! His wealth has not helped him nor anything he has earned. He will burn in a Flaming Fire. And so will his wife, the firewood-carrier, with a rope of twisted fibre round her neck. (111:1-5)

## HELP

Seek help in steadfastness and prayer. But that is a very hard thing, except for the humble. (2:45)

Have fear of a Day when no self will be able to compensate for another in any way. No intercession will be accepted from it, no ransom taken from it, and they will not be helped. (2:48)

Those are the people who trade the hereafter for this world. The punishment will not be lightened for them. They will not be helped. (2:86)

Do you not know that Allah is He to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and the earth belongs and that, besides Allah, you have no protector and no helper? (2:107)

The Jews and the Christians will never be pleased with you until you follow their religion. Say, 'Allah's guidance is the true guidance.' If you were to follow their whims and desires, after the knowledge that has come to you, you would find no protector or helper against Allah. (2:120)

Have fear of a Day when no self will be able to compensate for another in any way, and no ransom will be accepted from it, and no intercession benefit it, and they will not be helped. (2:123)

You who believe! Seek help in steadfastness and prayer. Allah is with the steadfast. (2:153)

Or did you suppose that you would enter the Garden without facing the same as those who came before you? Poverty and illness afflicted them and they were shaken to the point that the Messenger and those who believed with him said, 'When is Allah's help coming?' Be assured that Allah's help is very near. (2:214)

When they came out against Goliath and his troops, they said, 'Our Lord, pour down steadfastness upon us, and make our feet firm, and help us against this disbelieving people.' (2:250)

Whatever amount you spend or vow you make, Allah knows it. The wrongdoers have no helpers. (2:270)

Allah does not impose on any self any more than

it can stand. For it is what it has earned; against it, what it has brought upon itself. ‘Our Lord, do not take us to task if we forget or make a mistake! Our Lord, do not place on us a load like the one You placed on those before us! Our Lord, do not place on us a load we have not the strength to bear! And pardon us; and forgive us; and have mercy on us. You are our Master, so help us against the people of the disbelievers.’ (2:286)

As for those who disbelieve, their wealth and children will not help them against Allah in any way. They are fuel for the Fire. (3:10)

There was a sign for you in the two parties which met face to face, one party fighting in the Way of Allah and the other disbelievers. You saw them as twice their number with your own eyes. Allah reinforces with His help whoever He wills. There is instruction in that for people of insight. (3:13) They are the ones whose actions come to nothing in this world or the hereafter. They will have no helpers. (3:22)

When ‘Isa sensed disbelief on their part, he said, ‘Who will be my helpers to Allah?’ The disciples said, ‘We are Allah’s helpers. We believe in Allah. Bear witness that we are Muslims.’ (3:52) Remember when Allah made a covenant with the Prophets: ‘Now that We have given you a share of the Book and Wisdom, and then a messenger comes to you confirming what is with you, you must believe in him and help him.’ He asked, ‘Do you agree and undertake my commission on that condition?’ They replied, ‘We agree.’ He said, ‘Bear witness, then. I am with you as one of the witnesses.’ (3:81)

As for those who disbelieve and die while they are disbelievers, the whole earth filled with gold would not be accepted from any of them if they were to offer it as a ransom. They will have a painful punishment. They will have no helpers. (3:91)

They will not harm you except with abusive words. If they fight you, they will turn their backs on you. Then they will not be helped. (3:111)

Allah helped you at Badr when you were weak so have fear of Allah, so that hopefully you will be thankful. (3:123)

All they said was, ‘Our Lord, forgive us our

wrong actions and any excesses we went to in what we did and make our feet firm and help us against these disbelieving people.’ (3:147)

If Allah helps you, no one can vanquish you. If He forsakes you, who can help you after that? So the believers should put their trust in Allah. (3:160)

What assailed you on the day the two armies met was by Allah’s permission, so that He would know the believers, and so that He would know the hypocrites. They were told, ‘Come and fight in the Way of Allah or at least help defend us.’ They said, ‘If we knew how to fight, we would certainly follow you.’ They were closer to disbelief that day than to faith, saying with their mouths what was not in their hearts. And Allah knows best what they are hiding. (3:166-167)

(People with intelligence remember Allah:) ‘Our Lord, those You cast into the Fire, You have indeed disgraced. The wrongdoers will have no helpers.’ (3:192)

Allah knows best who your enemies are. Allah suffices as a Protector; Allah suffices as a Helper. (4:45)

Those are the ones Allah has cursed. And if someone is cursed by Allah you will not find any one to help him. (4:52)

What reason could you have for not fighting in the Way of Allah—for those men, women and children who are oppressed and say, ‘Our Lord, take us out of this city whose inhabitants are wrongdoers! Give us a protector from You! Give us a helper from You!’? (4:75)

They would like you to disbelieve as they disbelieve so that you will all be the same. Do not take any of them as friends until they have migrated in the Way of Allah. But if they run away then seize them and kill them wherever you find them. Do not take any of them as either a friend or helper. (4:89)

It is not a matter of wishful thinking on your part nor of the wishful thinking of the People of the Book. Anyone who does evil will be repaid for it. He will not find any protector or helper besides Allah. (4:123)

The hypocrites are in the lowest level of the Fire. You will not find any one to help them. (4:145)

As for those who believe and do right actions, He will pay them their wages in full and will give them increase from His favour. As for those who show disdain and grow arrogant, He will punish them with a painful punishment. They will not find any protector or helper for themselves besides Allah. (4:173)

You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

O Messenger! Do not be grieved by those who rush headlong into disbelief among those who say 'We believe' with their tongues when their hearts contain no faith. And among the Jews are those who listen to lies, listening to other people who have not come to you, distorting words from their proper meanings, saying, 'If you are given this, then take it. If you are not given it, then beware!' If Allah desires misguidance for someone, you cannot help him against Allah in any way. Those are the people whose hearts Allah does not want to purify. They will have disgrace in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (5:41)

Those who say that the Messiah, son of Maryam, is Allah are disbelievers. The Messiah said, 'Tribe of Israel! Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord. If anyone associates anything with Allah, Allah has forbidden him the Garden and his refuge will be the Fire.' The wrongdoers will have no helpers. (5:72)

Messengers before you were also denied but they were steadfast in the face of the denial and injury they suffered until Our help arrived. There is no changing the Words of Allah. And news of other Messengers has come to you. (6:34)

Say: 'Are we to call on something besides Allah which can neither help nor harm us, and to turn

on our heels after Allah has guided us, like someone the Satans have lured away in the earth, leaving him confused and stupefied, despite the fact that he has companions calling him to guidance, saying, "Come with us!"? Say: 'Allah's guidance, that is true guidance. We are commanded to submit as Muslims to the Lord of all the worlds.' (6:71)

Musa said to his people, 'Seek help in Allah and be steadfast. The earth belongs to Allah. He bequeathes it to any of His servants He wills. The successful outcome is for those who guard against evil.' (7:128)

(Allah said, 'I will prescribe My mercy for) those who follow the Messenger, the Ummi, whom they find written down with them in the Torah and the Gospel, commanding them to do right and forbidding them to do wrong, making good things lawful for them and bad things forbidden for them, relieving them of their heavy loads and the chains which were around them. Those who believe in him and honour him and help him, and follow the Light that has been sent down with him, they are the ones who are successful.' (7:157)

Say: 'I possess no power to help or harm myself, except as Allah wills. If I had had knowledge of the Unseen, I would have sought to gain much good and no evil would have touched me. I am only a warner and a bringer of good news to people who believe.' (7:188)

Those you call on besides Him are not capable of helping you. They cannot even help themselves. (7:197)

Remember when you called on your Lord for help and He responded to you: 'I will reinforce you with a thousand angels riding rank after rank.' (8:9)

If it was a decisive victory you were seeking, that victory has clearly been won. If you desist, it will be better for you; but if you return, We also will return. Your troops will not help you at all, however many they are. Allah is with the believers. (8:19)

But if they turn away, know that Allah is your Master, the Best of Masters, and the Best of Helpers! (8:40)

If they intend to deceive you, Allah is enough for you. It is He Who supported you with His help and with the believers. (8:62)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah, and those who have given refuge and help, they are the friends and protectors of one another. But as for those who believe but have not migrated, you are not in any way responsible for their protection until they migrate. But if they ask you for help in respect of the religion, it is your duty to help them, except against people you have a treaty with. Allah sees what you do. (8:72)

Fight them! Allah will punish them at your hands, and disgrace them and help you against them, and heal the hearts of those who believe. (9:14)

Allah has helped you on many occasions, including the Day of Hunayn when your great numbers delighted you but did not help you in any way, and the earth seemed narrow to you for all its great breadth, and you turned your backs. (9:25)

If you do not help him, Allah did help him when those who disbelieved drove him out and there were two of them in the Cave. He said to his companion, 'Do not be despondent, Allah is with us.' Then Allah sent down His serenity upon him and reinforced him with troops you could not see. He made the word of those who disbelieved undermost. It is the word of Allah which is uppermost. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:40)

They swear by Allah that they said nothing, but they definitely spoke the word of disbelief and returned to disbelief after their Islam. They planned something which they did not achieve and they were vindictive for no other cause than that Allah and His Messenger had enriched them from His bounty. If they were to repent, it would be better for them. But if they turn away, Allah will punish them with a painful punishment in this world and the hereafter, and they will not find any protector or helper on the earth. (9:74) Allah is He to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs. He gives life and causes to die. You have no protector or helper besides

Allah. (9:116)

Say: 'I possess no power to harm or help myself except as Allah wills. Every nation has an appointed time. When their appointed time comes, they cannot delay it a single hour or bring it forward.' (10:49)

(Say:) 'Do not call on something besides Allah which can neither help nor harm you. If you do, you will then be wrongdoers.' (10:106)

(Nuh said,) 'My people! Who would help me against Allah if I did drive them away? So will you not pay heed?' (11:30)

He (Salih) said, 'My people! What do you think? If I were to possess a Clear Sign from my Lord and He had given me mercy from Him: who would help me against Allah if I disobeyed Him? You would not increase me in anything but loss.' (11:63)

We did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. The gods they called upon besides Allah did not help them at all when Allah's command came upon them. They did nothing but increase their ruin. (11:101)

Do not rely on those who do wrong thus causing the Fire to afflict you, for you have no protector besides Allah; then you will not be helped. (11:113)

They then produced his shirt with false blood on it. He (Yusuf's father) said, 'It is merely that your lower selves have suggested something to you which you did; but beauty lies in showing steadfastness. It is Allah alone Who is my Help in face of the event that you describe.' (12:18)

Then when the Messengers despaired and thought themselves denied, Our help came to them, and those We willed were saved. Our violent force cannot be averted from people who are evildoers. (12:110)

Say: 'Who is the Lord of the heavens and the earth?' Say: 'Allah.' Say: 'So why have you taken protectors apart from Him who possess no power to help or harm themselves?' Say: 'Are the blind and seeing equal? Or are darkness and light the same? Or have they assigned partners to Allah who create as He creates, so that all creating seems the same to them?' Say: 'Allah is the Creator of everything. He is the One, the All-

Conquering.' (13:16)

They will all parade before Allah and the weak will say to those who were arrogant, 'We followed you, so can you help us at all against the punishment of Allah?' They will say, 'If Allah had guided us, we would have guided you. It makes no difference whether we cannot stand it or bear it patiently. We have no way of escape.' (14:21) However eager you are for them to be guided, Allah will not guide those whom He misguides. They will have no helpers. (16:37)

Any blessing you have is from Allah. Then when harm touches you, it is to Him you cry for help. (16:53)

Do not kill any person Allah has made inviolate, except with the right to do so. If someone is wrongly killed We have given authority to his next of kin. But he should not be excessive in taking life. He will be helped. (17:33)

Then We would have let you taste a double punishment in life and a double punishment in death. You would not have found any helper against Us. (17:75)

Say: 'It is the truth from your Lord; so let whoever wishes believe and whoever wishes disbelieve.' We have prepared for the wrongdoers a Fire whose billowing walls of smoke will hem them in. If they call for help, they will be helped with water like seething molten brass, frying their faces. What a noxious drink! What an evil repose! (18:29)

There was no group to come to his aid, besides Allah, and he was not given any help. (18:43)

He (Dhu'l-Qarnayn) said, 'The power my Lord has granted me is better than that. Just give me a strong helping hand and I will build a solid barrier between you and them.' (18:95)

(Musa said,) 'Assign me a helper from my family.' (20:29)

If those who disbelieve only knew of the time when they will not be able to keep the Fire away from their faces or their backs! And they will receive no help! (21:39)

Or do they have gods besides Us who will protect them? They cannot even help themselves! They will not be safe from Us. (21:43)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'Do you then worship, instead

of Allah, what cannot help or harm you in any way?' (21:66)

We helped him against the people who rejected Our Signs. They were an evil people and We drowned them, every one. (21:77)

Say: 'Lord, judge with truth! Our Lord is the All-Merciful, the One whose help is sought in the face of what you describe.' (21:112)

Instead of Allah, he calls on something which cannot harm him or help him. That is extreme misguidance. (22:12)

Those who were expelled from their homes without any right, merely for saying, 'Our Lord is Allah' (if Allah had not driven some people back by means of others, monasteries, churches, synagogues and mosques, where Allah's name is mentioned much, would have been pulled down and destroyed. Allah will certainly help those who help Him—Allah is All-Strong, Almighty). (22:40)

They worship besides Allah something for which no authority has come down, something about which they have no knowledge. There is no helper for the wrongdoers. (22:71)

Strive for Allah with the striving due to Him. He has selected you and not placed any constraint upon you in the religion—the religion of your forefather Ibrahim. He named you Muslims before and also in this, so that the Messenger could be witness against you and you could be witnesses against all mankind. So perform prayer and give the alms and hold fast to Allah. He is your Protector—the Best Protector, the Best Helper. (22:78)

He (Nuh) said, 'My Lord, help me because of their calling me a liar!' (23:26)

But then when We seize the affluent among them with the punishment, they will suddenly start praying fervently. 'Do not pray fervently today. You will not get any help from Us.' (23:64-65)

But they have adopted gods apart from Him which do not create anything but are themselves created. They have no power to harm or help themselves. They have no power over death or life or resurrection. (25:3)

So now they have disowned you for what you said, and they cannot avert it or give you any help. As for

anyone among you who has done wrong, We will make him suffer great punishment. (25:19)

In this way We have assigned to every Prophet an enemy from among the evildoers. But your Lord is a sufficient guide and helper. (25:31)

We gave Musa the Book and appointed his brother Harun with him as a helper. (25:35)

Yet they worship instead of Allah what can neither help nor harm them. The disbeliever is ever, against his Lord, an assistant (to Satan). (25:55)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'Do they (the idols) hear you when you call or do they help you or do you harm?' (26:72-73)

They will be asked, 'Where are those you used to worship besides Allah? Can they help you or even help themselves?' (26:92-93)

Morning found him in the city, fearful and on his guard. Then suddenly the man who had sought his help the day before, shouted for help from him again. Musa said to him, 'You are clearly a misguided man.' (28:18)

We made them leaders, summoning to the Fire, and on the Day of Rising they will not be helped. (28:41)

We caused the earth to swallow up both him and his house. There was no group to come to his aid, besides Allah, and he was not someone who is helped. (28:81)

There are some people who say, 'We believe in Allah,' and then, when they suffer harm in Allah's cause, they take people's persecution for Allah's punishment; but if help comes from your Lord they say, 'We were with you.' Does Allah not know best what is in every person's heart? (29:10)

(Say:) 'There is no way out for you in earth or heaven. You have no protector or helper besides Allah.' (29:22)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'You have adopted idols apart from Allah as tokens of mutual affection in this world. But then on the Day of Rising you will reject one another and curse one another. The Fire will be your shelter. You will have no helpers.' (29:25)

He (Lut) said, 'My Lord, help me against the people of corruption!' (29:30)

The Romans have been defeated in the land

nearby, but after their defeat they will themselves be victorious in a few years' time. The affair is Allah's from beginning to end. On that day, the believers will rejoice in Allah's help. He grants victory to whoever He wills. He is the Almighty, the Most Merciful. (30:2-5)

However, those who do wrong pursue their whims and desires without any knowledge. Who can guide those whom Allah has led astray? They will have no helpers. (30:29)

Before you We sent other Messengers to their people, and they too brought them the Clear Signs. We took revenge on those who did evil; and it is Our duty to help the believers. (30:47)

On that Day the excuses of those who did wrong will not help them nor will they be able to appease Allah. (30:57)

Say: 'Who is going to shield you from Allah if He desires evil for you or desires mercy for you?' They will find no one to protect or help them besides Allah. (33:17)

(A Searing Blaze) where they will remain timelessly, for ever and ever, not finding any protector or any helper. (33:65)

'Today you possess no power to help or harm one another.' And We will say to those who did wrong, 'Taste the punishment of the Fire which you denied.' (34:42)

No burden-bearer can bear another's burden. If someone weighed down calls for help to bear his load, none of it will be borne for him, even by his next of kin. You can only warn those who fear their Lord in the Unseen and perform prayer. Whoever is purified, is purified for himself alone. Allah is your final destination. (35:18)

They will shout out in it, 'Our Lord! Take us out! We will act rightly, differently from the way we used to act!' Did We not let you live long enough for anyone who was going to pay heed to pay heed? And did not the warner come to you? Taste it then! There is no helper for the wrongdoers. (35:37)

(The man from the far side of the city said,) 'Am I to take as gods instead of Him those whose intercession, if the All-Merciful desires harm for me, will not help me at all and cannot save me?' (36:23)

They have taken gods besides Allah so that per-

haps they may be helped. (36:74)

They cannot help them even though they are an army mobilised in their support. (36:75)

Our Word was given before to Our servants, the Messengers, that they would certainly be helped. (37:171-172)

Turn to your Lord and submit to Him before punishment comes upon you, for then you cannot be helped. (39:54)

(A man among Pharaoh's people who believed, but kept his faith concealed, said,) 'My people! The kingdom is yours today, as masters in the land, but who will help us against Allah's violent force, if it comes upon us?' Pharaoh said, 'I only show you what I see myself and I only guide you to the path of rectitude.' (40:29)

We will certainly help Our Messengers and those who believe both in the life of this world and on the Day the witnesses appear, the Day when the excuses of the wrongdoers will not help them. The curse will be on them and they will have the most evil Home. (40:51-52)

So We sent a howling wind against them on disastrous ill-fated days to make them taste the punishment of degradation in this world. And the punishment of the hereafter is even more degrading. And they will not be helped. (41:16)

If Allah had willed, He would have made them a single nation. But He admits whoever He wills into His mercy and the wrongdoers have no protector and no helper. (42:8)

You will not be able to thwart Him on the earth and you have no protector or helper besides Allah. (42:31)

They have no one to protect or help them apart from Allah. There is no way out for anyone Allah misguides. (42:46)

The Day when friends will be of no use at all to one another, and they will not be helped. (44:41)

They will not help you in any way against Allah. The wrongdoers are protectors of one another but Allah is the Protector of those who guard against evil. (45:19)

They will be told, 'Today We have forgotten you as you forgot the meeting of this your Day. Your refuge is the Fire and you have no helpers.' (45:34) Or do they say, 'He has invented it?' Say: 'If I

have invented it, then you possess no power to help me against Allah in any way. He knows best what you hold forth about. He is witness enough between me and you. He is the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful.' (46:8)

But what of him who says to his parents, 'Fie on you! Do you promise me that I will be resurrected when generations before me have passed away?' They both call on Allah for help: 'Woe to you! Believe! Allah's promise is true.' But he says, 'This is nothing but the myths of previous peoples.' (46:17)

You who believe! If you help Allah, He will help you and make your feet firm. (47:7)

How many cities We have destroyed, greater in strength than your city which has driven you out, and there was no one to help them. (47:13)

Truly We have granted you a clear victory, so that Allah may forgive you your earlier errors and any later ones and complete His blessing upon you, and guide you on a Straight Path and so that Allah may help you with a mighty help. (48:1-3)

If those who disbelieve should fight you, they would turn their backs and then find no one to protect or help them. (48:22)

They (Thamud) could not stand upright and they were not helped. (51:45)

The Day their ploys will not profit them at all and they will not be helped. (52:46)

He (Nuh) called upon his Lord: 'I am overwhelmed, so help me!' (54:10)

He will pursue you with a piercing flame and fiery smoke, and you will not be helped. (55:35)

We sent Our Messengers with the Clear Signs and sent down the Book and the Balance with them so that mankind might establish justice. And We sent down iron in which there lies great force and which has many uses for mankind, so that Allah might know those who help Him and His Messengers in the Unseen. Allah is All-Strong, Almighty. (57:25)

Neither their wealth nor their children will help them at all against Allah. Such people are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (58:17)

Did you not see the hypocrites saying to their brothers, those among the People of the Book

who disbelieve, ‘If you are driven out we will leave with you, we will never obey anyone to your detriment. And if you are fought against we will help you?’ Allah bears witness that they are truly liars. (59:11)

If they are driven out they will not leave with them. If they are fought against they will not help them. And if they did help them they would turn their backs, and then they would not be helped. (59:12)

You have an excellent example in Ibrahim and those with him, when they said to their people, ‘We wash our hands of you and all that you worship apart from Allah, and we reject you. Between us and you there will be enmity and hatred for ever unless and until you believe in Allah alone.’ Except for Ibrahim’s words to his father: ‘I will ask forgiveness for you but I have no power to help you in any way against Allah.’ ‘Our Lord, we have put our trust in You and have repented to You. You are our final destination.’ (60:4)

You who believe! Be helpers of Allah as ‘Isa son of Maryam said to the Disciples, ‘Who will be my helpers to Allah?’ The Disciples said, ‘We will be the helpers of Allah.’ One faction of the tribe of Israel believed and the other disbelieved. So We supported those who believed against their enemy and they became victorious. (61:14)

Allah has made an example for those who disbelieve: the wife of Nuh and the wife of Lut. They were married to two of Our servants who were righteous but they betrayed them and were not helped at all against Allah. They were told, ‘Enter the Fire along with all who enter it.’ (66:10)

Because of their errors they were drowned and put into the Fire. They found no one to help them besides Allah. (71:25)

The intercession of the interceders will not help them. (74:48)

It is the Day when a self will have no power to help any other self in any way. The command that Day will be Allah’s alone. (82:19)

And (that Day) man will have no strength or helper. (86:10)

And that Day Hell is produced, that Day man will remember; but how will the remembrance help him? (89:23)

His wealth will not help him when he plummets to the depths. (92:11)

So woe to those who perform prayer, and are forgetful of their prayer, those who show off and deny help to others. (107:4-7)

When Allah’s help and victory have arrived and you have seen people entering Allah’s religion in droves, then glorify your Lord’s praise and ask His forgiveness. He is the Ever-Returning. (110:1-3)

His (Abu Lahab’s) wealth has not helped him nor anything he has earned. (111:2)

## **HERB**

He laid out the earth for all living creatures. In it are fruits and date-palms with covered spathes, and grains on leafy stems and fragrant herbs. (55:10-12)

Then We make grain grow in it, and grapes and herbs. (80:27-28)

## **HERITAGE (SEE LAWS OF HERITAGE)**

## **AL-HIJR (SEE PEOPLE OF AL-HIJR)**

## **HIJRA (SEE MIGRATION)**

## **HIKMAH (SEE WISDOM - WISE)**

## **HILL**

The metaphor of those who spend their wealth, desiring the pleasure of Allah and firmness for themselves, is that of a garden on a hillside. When heavy rain falls on it, it doubles its produce; and if heavy rain does not fall, there is dew. Allah sees what you do. (2:265)

(Hud said to his people,) ‘Do you build a tower on every hilltop, just to amuse yourselves?’ (26:128)

## **HOLY**

(Musa said,) ‘My people! Enter the Holy Land which Allah has ordained for you. Do not turn back in your tracks and so become transformed into losers.’ (5:21)

(Allah said to Musa,) ‘I am your Lord. Take off your sandals. You are in the holy valley of Tuwa.’ (20:12)

Has the story of Musa reached you: when his

Lord called out to him in the holy valley of Tuwa?  
(79:15-16)

## HOMOSEXUALITY

And Lut, when he said to his people, 'Do you commit an obscenity not perpetrated before you by anyone in all the worlds? (7:80)

(Lut said to his people,) 'You come with lust to men instead of women. You are indeed a depraved people.' (Qur'an, 7:81)

The only answer of his people was to say, 'Expel them from your city! They are people who keep themselves pure!' (Qur'an, 7:82)

His people came running to him excitedly—they were long used to committing evil acts. He (Lut) said, 'My people, here are my daughters. They are purer for you. So have fear of Allah and do not shame me with my guests. Is there not one rightly-guided man among you?' (Qur'an, 11:78) They said, 'You know we have no claim on your daughters. You know very well what it is we want.' (11:79)

The people of the city came, exulting at the news. (15:67)

He (Lut) said, 'These are my guests so do not put me to shame.' (15:68)

(Lut said,) 'Have fear of Allah and do not dishonour me.' (15:69)

They said, 'Did we not forbid you to play host to anyone at all?' (15:70)

He said, 'Here are my daughters if you are determined to do something.' (15:71)

By your life! They were wandering blindly in their drunkenness! (15:72)

(Lut said to his people,) 'Of all beings, do you lie with males. (26:165)

'Leaving the wives Allah has created for you? You are a people who have overstepped the limits.' (26:166)

They said, 'Lut, if you do not desist you will be expelled.' (26:167)

He said, 'I am someone who detests the deed you perpetrate. (26:168)

(Lut said to his people,) 'Do you come with lust to men instead of women? You are a people who are deeply ignorant.' (27:55)

Do you lie with men and waylay them on the

road and commit depravities within your gatherings?' the only answer of his people was to say, 'Bring us Allah's punishment if you are telling the truth.' (29:29)

## HONEY

Your Lord revealed to the bees: 'Build dwellings in the mountains and the trees, and also in the structures which men erect. Then eat from every kind of fruit and travel the paths of your Lord, which have been made easy for you to follow.' From inside them comes a drink of varying colours, containing healing for mankind. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who reflect. (16:68-69)

An image of the Garden which is promised to those who guard against evil: in it there are rivers of water which will never spoil and rivers of milk whose taste will never change and rivers of wine, delightful to all who drink it, and rivers of honey of undiluted purity; in it they will have fruit of every kind and forgiveness from their Lord. Is that like those who will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever, with boiling water to drink which lacerates their bowels? (47:15)

## HOOF

We made forbidden for the Jews every animal with an undivided hoof, and in respect of cattle and sheep, We made their fat forbidden for them, except what is attached to their backs or guts or mixed up with bone. That is how We repaid them for their insolence. And We certainly speak the truth. (6:146)

By the charging horses panting hard, striking sparks from their flashing hooves, (100:1-2)

## HOOPOE

He (Sulayman) inspected the birds and said, 'How is it that I do not see the hoopoe? Or is it absent without leave? I will certainly punish it most severely or slaughter it if it does not bring me clear authority.' (27:20-21)

However, it was not long delayed, and then it said, 'I have comprehended something you have not and bring you accurate intelligence from Sheba. I found a woman ruling over them who

has been given everything. She possesses a mighty throne. I found both her and her people prostrating to the sun instead of Allah. Satan has made their actions seem good to them and debarred them from the Way so they are not guided and do not prostrate to Allah, Who brings out what is hidden in the heavens and the earth, and knows what you conceal and what you divulge. Allah—there is no god but Him—the Lord of the Mighty Throne.' (27:22-26)

(Sulayman said,) 'Take this letter of mine and deliver it to them and then withdraw from them a little and see how they respond.' (27:28)

## HORIZON

It is nothing but Revelation revealed, taught him by one immensely strong, possessing power and splendour. He stood there stationary—there on the highest horizon. (53:4-7)

He saw him on the clear horizon. (81:23)

## HORSE

To mankind the love of worldly appetites is painted in glowing colours: women and children, and heaped-up mounds of gold and silver, and horses with fine markings, and livestock and fertile farmland. All that is merely the enjoyment of the life of this world. The best homecoming is in the presence of Allah. (3:14)

And horses, mules and donkeys both to ride and for adornment. And He creates other things you do not know. (16:8)

When swift horses, champing at the bit, were displayed before him in the afternoon, he (Sulayman) said, 'Truly do I love the love of good, with a view to the glory of my Lord until the sun disappeared behind its veil. Return them to me!' And he set about slashing through their shanks and necks. (38:31-33)

Whatever booty from them Allah has given to His Messenger—and you spurred on neither horse nor camel in its acquisition, but Allah gives power to His Messengers over anyone He wills, Allah has power over all things. (59:6)

By the charging horses panting hard, striking sparks from their flashing hooves, raiding at full gallop in the early dawn, leaving a trailing dust-

cloud in their wake, cleaving through the middle of the foe, truly man is ungrateful to his Lord and indeed he bears witness to that. (100:1-7)

## HOSPITALITY

But those who have fear of their Lord will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever: hospitality from Allah. What is with Allah is better for those who are truly good. (3:198)

(Say:) 'Then you, you misguided, you deniers will eat from the tree of Zaqqum, filling your stomachs with it and drink scalding water on top of it, slurping like thirst-crazed camels. This will be their hospitality on the Day of Judgment!' (56:51-56)

And if he is one of the misguided deniers, there is hospitality of scalding water. (56:92-93)

## HOSTILITY

If their faith is the same as yours then they are guided. But if they turn away, they are entrenched in hostility. Allah will be enough for you against them. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing. (2:137)

That is because Allah has sent down the Book with truth and those who differ from the Book are entrenched in hostility. (2:176)

Among the people there is someone whose words about the life of this world excite your admiration, and he calls Allah to witness what is in his heart, while he is in fact the most hostile of adversaries. (2:204)

You will find that the people most hostile to those who believe are the Jews and the idolaters. You will find the people most affectionate to those who believe are those who say, 'We are Christians.' That is because some of them are priests and monks and because they are not arrogant. (5:82)

This was because they (the disbelievers) were hostile to Allah and His Messenger. If anyone is hostile to Allah and His Messenger, Allah is severe in retribution. (8:13)

Will you not fight a people who have broken their oaths and resolved to expel the Messenger, and who initiated hostilities against you in the first

place? Is it them you fear? Allah has more right to your fear if you are believers. (9:13)

Then on the Day of Rising He will disgrace them, and say, 'Where are My partner gods for whose sake you became so hostile?' Those given knowledge will say, 'Today there is disgrace and evil for the disbelievers.' (16:27)

We have made it easy on your tongue so that you can give good news to those who guard against evil and warn stubbornly hostile people by it. (19:97)

We did not send any Messenger or any Prophet before you without Satan insinuating something into his recitation while he was reciting. But Allah revokes whatever Satan insinuates and then Allah confirms His Signs—Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise—so that He can make what Satan insinuates a trial for those with sickness in their hearts and for those whose hearts are hard—the wrongdoers are entrenched in hostility. (22:52-53)

But those who disbelieve are full of vainglory and entrenched in hostility. (38:2)

Say: 'What do you think? If it is from Allah and you reject it, who could be more misguided than someone entrenched in hostility to it?' (41:52)

Those who disbelieve and obstruct the Way of Allah and are entrenched in hostility towards the Messenger after the guidance has become clear to them, do not harm Allah in any way and He makes their actions come to nothing. (47:32)

That is because they (those who disbelieved among the People of the Book) were entrenched in hostility towards Allah and His Messenger. If anyone is hostile towards Allah, Allah is Severe in Retribution. (59:4)

They (the hypocrites) will not fight against you all together as a group except in fortified towns or behind high walls. Their hostility towards each other is intense. They are full of bravado in each other's company. You consider them united but their hearts are scattered wide. That is because they are people who do not use their intellect. (59:14)

## HOUR

Every nation has an appointed time. When their time comes, they cannot delay it a single hour or bring it forward. (7:34)

On the day We gather them together—when it will seem if they had tarried no more than an hour of a single day—they will recognise one another. Those who denied the meeting with Allah will have lost. They were not guided. (10:45)

Say: 'I possess no power to harm or help myself except as Allah wills. Every nation has an appointed time. When their appointed time comes, they cannot delay it a single hour or bring it forward.' (10:49)

If Allah were to punish people for their wrong actions, not a single creature would be left upon the earth, but He defers them till a predetermined time. When their specified time arrives, they cannot delay it for a single hour nor can they bring it forward. (16:61)

What of him who spends the night hours in prayer, prostrating and standing up, mindful of the hereafter, hoping for the mercy of his Lord? Say: 'Are they the same—those who know and those who do not know?' It is only people of intelligence who pay heed. (39:9)

So be steadfast as the Messengers with firm resolve were also steadfast. And do not seek to hasten it for them. On the Day they see what they were promised, it will be as if they had only tarried for just one hour of a single day. It has been transmitted! Will any be destroyed except for deviant people? (46:35)

## HOUR, THE (SEE THE DAY OF RISING)

## HOUSE

And when We made the House (Kaaba) a place of return, a sanctuary for mankind: They took the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray) as a place of prayer. We contracted with Ibrahim and Isma'il: 'Purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stay there, and those who bow and who prostrate.' (2:125)

And when Ibrahim built the foundations of the House with Isma'il: 'Our Lord, accept this from us! You are the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing.' (2:127)

Safa and Marwa are among the Landmarks of Allah, so anyone who goes on pilgrimage to the House or does the pious visit incurs no wrong in

going back and forth between them. If anyone spontaneously does good, Allah is All-Thankful, All-Knowing. (2:158)

They will ask you about the crescent moons. Say, 'They are set times for mankind and for the pilgrimage.' It is not devoutness for you to enter houses by the back. Rather devoutness is possessed by those who guard against evil. So come to houses by their doors and have fear of Allah, so that hopefully you will be successful. (2:189) The first House established for mankind was that at Bakka, a place of blessing and a guidance for all beings. In it are Clear Signs—the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray). All who enter it are safe. Pilgrimage to the House is a duty owed to Allah by all mankind—those who can find a way to do it. But if anyone disbelieves, Allah is Rich Beyond Need of any being. (3:96-97)

You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

Allah has made the Kaaba, the Sacred House, a special institution for mankind, and also the sacred months and the sacrificial animals and the ritual garlands. That is so you will know that Allah knows what is in the heavens and in the earth and that Allah has knowledge of all things. (5:97)

Just as your Lord brought you out from your house with truth, even though a group of the believers disliked it, arguing with you about the Truth after it had been made clear as though they were being driven to their death with open eyes. (8:5-6)

Their prayer at the House is nothing but whistling and clapping. So taste the punishment because you disbelieved! (8:35)

Say: 'If your fathers or your sons or your brothers

or your wives or your tribe, or any wealth you have acquired, or any business you fear may slump, or any house which pleases you, are dearer to you than Allah and His Messenger and striving in His Way, then wait until Allah brings about His command. Allah does not guide people who are deviators.' (9:24)

We revealed to Musa and his brother: 'Settle your people in houses in Egypt and make your houses places of worship and perform prayer and give good news to the believers.' (10:87)

They said, 'Are you astonished at Allah's command? May Allah's mercy and His blessings be upon you, People of the House! He is Praiseworthy, All-Glorious.' (11:73)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord! I have settled some of my offspring by Your Sacred House in an uncultivated valley. Our Lord! Let them perform prayer! Make the hearts of mankind incline towards them and provide them with fruits, so that hopefully they will be thankful.' (14:37)

Allah has made your houses places of rest for you and made houses for you out of cattle hides which are light for you to carry both when you are travelling and when you are staying in one place. And from their wool and fur and hair you obtain clothing and carpets and household utensils for a time. (16:80)

And We located the position of the House for Ibrahim: 'Do not associate anything with Me and purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stand and bow and prostrate.' (22:26)

(We revealed to Ibrahim:) 'Then they should end their state of self-neglect and fulfil their vows and circle the Ancient House.' (22:29)

You can make use of the sacrificial animals until a specified time, and then their place of sacrifice is by the Ancient House. (22:33)

You who believe! Do not enter houses other than your own until you have asked permission and greeted their inhabitants. That is better for you, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (24:27)

There is nothing wrong in your entering houses where no one lives and where there is some service for you. Allah knows what you divulge and what you conceal. (24:29)

In houses which Allah has permitted to be built

and in which His name is remembered, there are men who proclaim His glory morning and evening. (24:36)

There is no objection to the blind, no objection to the lame, no objection to the sick; nor to yourselves if you eat in your own houses or your fathers' houses or your mothers' houses or your brothers' houses or your sisters' houses or the houses of your paternal uncles or paternal aunts or the houses of your maternal uncles or maternal aunts or places to which you own the keys or those of your friends. There is nothing wrong in your eating together or eating separately. And when you enter houses greet one another with a greeting from Allah, blessed and good. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (24:61)

These are the ruins of their houses because of the wrong they did. There is certainly a Sign in that for people with knowledge. (27:52)

How many cities We have destroyed which lived in insolent ingratitude! There are their houses, never again inhabited after them, except a little. It was We Who were their Heir. (28:58)

The metaphor of those who take protectors besides Allah is that of a spider which builds itself a house; but no house is flimsier than a spider's house, if they only knew. (29:41)

And a group of them said, 'People of Yathrib, Your position is untenable so return!' some of them asked the Prophet to excuse them, saying, 'Our houses are exposed,' when they were not exposed; it was merely that they wanted to run away. (33:13)

He bequeathed their land, their houses and their wealth to you, and another land you had not yet trodden on. Allah has power over all things. (33:27)

Remain in your houses and do not display your beauty as it was previously displayed in the Time of Ignorance. Perform prayer and give the alms and obey Allah and His Messenger. Allah desires to remove all impurity from you, People of the House, and to purify you completely. (33:33) (I swear) by the Visited House. (52:4)

Allah has made an example for those who believe: the wife of Pharaoh when she said, 'My

Lord, build a house in the Garden for me in Your presence and rescue me from Pharaoh and his deeds and rescue me from this wrongdoing people.' (66:11)

So let them worship the Lord of this House. (106:3)

### **HUD (AS) AND 'AD**

And to 'Ad We sent their brother Hud, who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. So will you not guard against evil?' (7:65)

The ruling circle of those of his people who disbelieved said, 'We consider you a fool and think you are a liar.' (7:66)

He said, 'My people, I am by no means a fool, but rather am a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds, transmitting my Lord's Message to you, and I am a faithful counsellor to you. Or are you astonished that a reminder should come to you from your Lord by way of a man among you in order to warn you? Remember when He appointed you successors to the people of Nuh, and increased you greatly in stature. Remember Allah's blessings, so that hopefully you will be successful.' (7:67-69)

They said, 'Have you come to us to make us worship Allah alone and abandon what our fathers used to worship? Then bring us what you have promised us if you are telling the truth.' (7:70)

He said, 'Punishment and anger have come down on you from your Lord. Do you argue with me regarding names which you and your forefathers invented and for which Allah has sent down no authority? Wait, then; I am waiting with you.' (7:71)

So We rescued him and those with him by mercy from Us, and We cut off the last remnant of those who denied Our Signs and were not believers. (7:72)

And to 'Ad We sent their brother Hud. He said, 'My people! Worship Allah. You have no god apart from Him. You are merely fabricators. My people! I do not ask you for any wage for it. My wage is the responsibility of Him Who brought me into being. So will you not use your intellect? My people! Ask forgiveness of your Lord and

then repent to Him. He will send heaven down to you in abundant rain, and increase you with strength upon strength. Do not turn away as evildoers.' (11:50-52)

They said, 'Hud, you have not brought us any clear sign. We will not forsake our gods for what you say. We do not believe you. We only say that one of our gods has driven you mad.' He said, 'I call on Allah to be my witness, and you also bear witness, that I am free of all the gods you have apart from Him. So scheme against me, all of you together, and then grant me no respite. I have put my trust in Allah, my Lord and your Lord. There is no creature He does not hold by the forelock. My Lord is on a Straight Path. If you turn your backs, I have transmitted to you what I was sent to you with, and my Lord will replace you with another people, and you will not harm Him at all. My Lord is the Preserver of everything.' (11:53-57)

When Our command came, We rescued Hud and those who believed along with him by a mercy from Us. We rescued them from a harsh punishment. (11:58)

That was 'Ad. They denied the Signs of their Lord and disobeyed His Messengers and followed the command of every obdurate tyrant. (11:59)

They were pursued by a curse in this world and on the Day of Rising. Yes indeed! 'Ad rejected their Lord, so away with 'Ad, the people of Hud! (11:60)

(Shu'ayb said,) 'My people! Do not let your breach with me provoke you into doing wrong so that the same thing happens to you as happened to the people of Nuh and the people of Hud and the people of Salih; and the people of Lut are not far distant from you.' (11:89)

The same goes for 'Ad and Thamud and the Companions of the Rass and many generations in between. (25:38)

'Ad denied the Messengers when their brother Hud said to them, 'Will you not guard against evil? I am a faithful Messenger to you so have fear of Allah and obey me. I do not ask you for any wage for it. My wage is the responsibility of no one but the Lord of all the worlds. Do you build a tower on every hilltop, just to amuse

yourselves, and construct great fortresses, hoping to live for ever, and when you attack, attack as tyrants do? So have fear of Allah and obey me. Have fear of Him Who has supplied you with what you know, supplied you with livestock and children and gardens and clear springs. I fear for you the punishment of a terrible Day.' They said, 'It makes no difference to us whether you preach or do not preach. This is only what the previous peoples did. We are not going to be punished.' So they denied him and We destroyed them. There is certainly a Sign in that, yet most of them are not believers. Truly your Lord is the Almighty, the Most Merciful. (26:123-140)

And 'Ad and Thamud—it must be clear to you from their dwelling places! Satan made their actions seem good to them and so debarred them from the Way, even though they were intelligent people. (29:38)

If they turn away, then say, 'I warn you of a lightning-bolt like the lightning-bolt of 'Ad and of Thamud.' (41:13)

'Ad were arrogant in the land, without any right, saying, 'Who has greater strength than us?' Did they not see that Allah, Who created them, had greater strength than them? But they renounced Our Signs. (41:15)

Remember the brother of 'Ad when he warned his people by the sand-dunes—and warners passed away before and after him—'Worship no one but Allah. I fear for you the punishment of a terrible Day.' They said, 'Have you come to us to divert us from our gods? Bring us what you have promised us if you are telling the truth.' He said, 'All knowledge is with Allah. I only transmit to you what I have been sent with. But I see that you are a people who are ignorant.' When they saw it as a storm cloud advancing on their valleys they said, 'This is a storm cloud which will give us rain.' No, rather it is what you desired to hasten—a wind containing painful punishment, destroying everything at its Lord's command! When morning came you could see nothing but their dwellings. That is how We repay the people of the evildoers. We established them far more firmly than We have established you and gave them hearing, sight and hearts. But their hearing,

sight and hearts were of no use to them at all when they renounced Allah's Signs and what they mocked at engulfed them. (46:21-26)

And also in 'Ad when We unleashed against them the barren wind, which left nothing it touched without turning it to dust. (51:41-42)

(Or has he not been informed) that He destroyed 'Ad, the earlier people? (53:50)

'Ad denied the truth. How terrible were My punishment and warnings! (54:18)

We unleashed a howling wind against them on a day of unremitting horror. It plucked up men like uprooted stumps. (54:19-20)

Thamud and 'Ad denied the Crushing Blow. (69:4)

'Ad were destroyed by a savage howling wind. (69:6)

Allah subjected them to it for seven whole nights and eight whole days without a break. You could see the people flattened in their homes just like the hollow stumps of uprooted palms. (69:7)

Do you not see what your Lord did with 'Ad? (89:6)

## **HUDAYBIYYAH (SEE PEACE OF HUDAYBIYYAH)**

### **HUMBLE**

Seek help in steadfastness and prayer. But that is a very hard thing, except for the humble. (2:45) Among the people of the Book there are some who believe in Allah and in what has been sent down to you and what was sent down to them, and who are humble before Allah. They do not sell Allah's Signs for a paltry price. Such people will have their reward with their Lord. And Allah is swift at reckoning. (3:199)

You who believe! If any of you renounce your religion, Allah will bring forward a people whom He loves and who love Him, humble to the believers, fierce to the disbelievers, who strive in the Way of Allah and do not fear the blame of any censurer. That is the unbounded favour of Allah which He gives to whoever He wills. Allah is Boundless, All-Knowing. (5:54)

We sent Messengers to nations before you, and afflicted those nations with hardship and distress

so that hopefully they would humble themselves. (6:42)

If only they had humbled themselves when Our violent force came upon them! However, their hearts were hard and Satan made what they were doing seem attractive to them. (6:43)

Say: 'Who rescues you from the darkness of the land and sea? You call on Him humbly and secretly: "If you rescue us from this, we will truly be among the thankful." (6:63)

Call on your Lord humbly and secretly. He does not love those who overstep the limits. (7:55)

We have never sent a Prophet to any city without seizing its people with hardship and distress so that hopefully they would be humble. (7:94)

They were defeated then and there, transformed into humbled men. (7:119)

Remember your Lord in yourself humbly and fearfully, without loudness of voice, morning and evening. Do not be one of the unaware. (7:205)

As for those who believe and do right actions and humble themselves before their Lord, they are the Companions of the Garden remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (11:23)

On that day they will follow the Summoner who has no crookedness in him at all. Voices will be humbled before the All-Merciful and nothing but a whisper will be heard. (20:108)

Faces will be humbled to the Living, the All-Sustaining and anyone weighed down with wrongdoing will have failed. (20:111)

If We had destroyed them with a punishment before this, they would have said, 'Our Lord, why did You not send us a Messenger, so we could follow Your Signs before we were humbled and disgraced?' (20:134)

We responded to him and gave him Yahya, restoring for him his wife's fertility. They outdid one another in good actions, calling out to Us in yearning and in awe, and humbling themselves to Us. (21:90)

We have appointed a rite of sacrifice for every nation so that they may invoke Allah's name over the livestock He has given them. Your God is One God so submit to Him. Give good news to the humble-hearted, whose hearts quake at the mention of Allah, and who are steadfast in the face of all that

happens to them, those who perform prayer and give of what We have provided for them. (22:34-35)

And (it is) so that those who have been given knowledge will know it is the truth from their Lord and believe in it and their hearts will be humbled to Him. Allah guides those who believe to a straight path. (22:54)

It is the believers who are successful: those who are humble in their prayer. (23:1-2)

We seized them with the punishment, but they did not go low before their Lord; nor will they humble themselves until We open to them a gate to a harsh punishment in which they will at once be crushed by despair. (23:76-77)

Men and women who are Muslims, men and women who are believers, men and women who are obedient, men and women who are truthful, men and women who are steadfast, men and women who are humble, men and women who give charity, men and women who fast, men and women who guard their chastity, men and women who remember Allah much: Allah has prepared forgiveness for them and an immense reward. (33:35)

If We Had sent down this Qur'an onto a mountain, you would have seen it humbled, crushed to pieces out of fear of Allah. We make such examples for people so that hopefully they will reflect. (59:21)

## **HUMILITY**

Seek help in steadfastness and prayer. But that is a very hard thing, except for the humble. (2:45)

Among the people of the Book there are some who believe in Allah and in what has been sent down to you and what was sent down to them, and who are humble before Allah. They do not sell Allah's Signs for a paltry price. Such people will have their reward with their Lord. And Allah is swift at reckoning. (3:199)

You who believe! If any of you renounce your religion, Allah will bring forward a people whom He loves and who love Him, humble to the believers, fierce to the disbelievers, who strive in the Way of Allah and do not fear the blame of any censurer. That is the unbounded favour of Allah which He

gives to whoever He wills. Allah is Boundless, All-Knowing. (5:54)

Take them (your parents) under your wing, out of mercy, with due humility and say: 'Lord, show mercy to them as they did in looking after me when I was small.' (17:24)

Say: 'Believe in it (the Qur'an) or do not believe in it.' Certainly, when it is recited to them, those who were given knowledge before it fall on their faces in prostration, saying, 'Glory be to our Lord! The promise of our Lord is truly fulfilled!' Weeping, they fall to the ground in prostration, and it increases them in humility. (17:107-109)

We have appointed a rite of sacrifice for every nation so that they may invoke Allah's name over the livestock He has given them. Your God is One God so submit to Him. Give good news to the humble-hearted. (22:34)

And (it is) so that those who have been given knowledge will know it is the truth from their Lord and believe in it and their hearts will be humbled to Him. Allah guides those who believe to a straight path. (22:54)

The servants of the All-Merciful are those who walk on the earth in humility and, who, when the ignorant speak to them, say, 'Peace'. (25:63)

Men and women who are Muslims, men and women who are believers, men and women who are obedient, men and women who are truthful, men and women who are steadfast, men and women who are humble, men and women who give charity, men and women who fast, men and women who guard their chastity, men and women who remember Allah much: Allah has prepared forgiveness for them and an immense reward. (33:35)

## **HUNGER**

We will test you with a certain amount of fear and hunger and loss of wealth and life and fruits. But give good news to the steadfast. (2:155)

Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and ani-

mals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviance. Today those who disbelieve have despaired of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3)

It was not for people of Madina, and the desert arabs around them, to remain behind the Messenger of Allah nor to prefer themselves to him. That is because no thirst or weariness or hunger will afflict them in the Way of Allah, nor will they take a single step to infuriate the disbelievers, nor secure any gain from the enemy, without a right action being written down for them because of it. Allah does not let the wage of the good-doers go to waste. (9:120)

Allah makes an example of a city which was safe and at peace, its provision coming to it plentifully from every side. Then it showed ingratitude for Allah's blessings so Allah made it wear the robes of hunger and fear for what it did. (16:112) What will convey to you what the steep ascent is? It is freeing a slave or feeding on a day of hunger an orphaned relative or a poor man in the dust. (90:12-16)

So let them worship the Lord of this House Who has preserved them from hunger and secured them from fear. (106: 3-4)

## HUNTING

You who believe! Fulfil your contracts. All live-stock animals are lawful for you, except those that are recited to you now; but it is still not lawful to hunt while you are in the state of pilgrimage. Allah makes whatever judgements He wills. (5:1)

You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people

who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

They will ask you what is lawful for them. Say: 'All good things are lawful for you, and also what is caught for you by hunting animals which you have trained as Allah has taught you. Eat what they catch for you, mentioning Allah's name over it.' And have fear of Allah. Allah is swift at reckoning. (5:4)

You who believe! Allah will test you with game animals which come within the reach of your hands and spears, so that Allah will know those who fear Him in the Unseen. Anyone who oversteps the limits after this will have a painful punishment. You who believe! Do not kill game while you are in the state of pilgrimage. If one of you kills any deliberately, the reprisal for it is a live-stock animal equivalent to what he killed, as judged by two just men among you, a sacrifice to reach the Kaaba, or expiation by feeding the poor, or fasting commensurate with that, so that he may taste the evil consequences of what he did. Allah has pardoned all that took place in the past; but if anyone does it again Allah will take revenge on him. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. Anything you catch in the sea is lawful for you, and all food from it, for your enjoyment and that of travellers, but land game is forbidden for you while you are in the state of pilgrimage. So have fear of Allah, Him to whom you will be gathered. (5:94-96)

## HUSBAND

Divorced women should wait by themselves for three menstrual cycles; and it is not lawful for them to conceal what Allah has created in their wombs if they believe in Allah and the Last Day. Their husbands have the right to take them back within that time, if they desire to be reconciled. Women possess rights similar to those held over them to be honoured with fairness; but men have a degree above them. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:228)

But if a man divorces his wife a third time, she is not lawful for him after that until she has married another husband. Then if he divorces her, there is nothing wrong in the original couple getting back together provided they think they will remain within Allah's limits. These are Allah's limits which he has made clear to people who know. (2:230)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, do not prevent them from marrying their first husbands if they have mutually agreed to it with correctness and courtesy. This is an admonition for those of you who believe in Allah and the Last Day. That is better and purer for you. Allah knows and you do not know. (2:232)

If you fear a breach between a couple, send an arbiter from his people and an arbiter from her people. If the couple desire to put things right, Allah will bring about a reconciliation between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (4:35)

If a woman fears cruelty or aversion on her husband's part, there is nothing wrong in the couple becoming reconciled. Reconciliation is better. But people are prone to selfish greed. If you do good and guard against evil, Allah is aware of what you do. (4:128)

She (Ibrahim's wife) said, 'Woe is me! How can I give birth when I am an old woman and my husband here is an aged man? This is indeed an astonishing thing!' (11:72)

Say to the believing women that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity and not display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands' fathers, or their sons or their husbands' sons or their brothers or their brothers' sons or their sisters' sons or their women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children who still have no awareness of women's private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

Allah has heard the words of the woman who disputes with you about her husband and lays her complaint before Allah. Allah hears the two of you talking together. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Seeing. (58:1)

### **HYPOCRITES (MUNAFIQUN)**

Among the people there are some who say, 'We believe in Allah and the Last Day,' when they are not believers. (2:8)

They think they deceive Allah and those who believe. They deceive no one but themselves but they are not aware of it. (2:9)

There is a sickness in their hearts and Allah has increased their sickness. They will have a painful punishment on account of their denial. (2:10)

When they are told, 'Do not cause corruption on the earth,' they say, 'We are only putting things right.' (2:11)

No indeed! They are the corrupters, but they are not aware of it. (2:12)

When they are told, 'Believe in the way that the people believe,' they say, 'What! Are we to believe in the way that fools believe?' No indeed!

They are the fools, but they do not know it. (2:13)

When they meet those who believe, they say, 'We believe.' But then when they go apart with their Satans, they say, 'We are really with you. We were only mocking.' (2:14)

But Allah is mocking them, and drawing them on, as they wander blindly in their excessive insolence. (2:15)

Those are the people who have sold guidance for misguidance. Their trade has brought no profit; they are not guided. (2:16)

Their likeness is that of people who light a fire, and then when it has lit up all around them, Allah removes their light and leaves them in darkness, unable to see. (2:17)

Deaf, dumb, blind. They will not return. (2:18)  
Or that of a storm-cloud in the sky, full of darkness, thunder and lightning. They put their fingers in their ears against the thunderclaps, fearful of death. Allah encompasses the disbelievers. (2:19)

The lightning all but takes away their sight. Whenever they have light, they walk in it but

whenever darkness covers them, they halt. If Allah wished, He could take away their hearing and their sight. Allah has power over all things. (2:20)

Those who break Allah's contract after it has been agreed, and sever what Allah has commanded to be joined, and cause corruption on the earth, it is they who are the lost. (2:27)

Among the people there is someone whose words about the life of this world excite your admiration, and he calls Allah to witness what is in his heart, while he is in fact the most hostile of adversaries. (2:204)

When he is told to have fear of Allah, he is seized by pride which drives him to wrongdoing. Hell will be enough for him! What an evil resting-place! (2:206)

It is He Who sent down the Book to you from Him: verses containing clear judgements—they are the core of the Book—and others which are open to interpretation. Those with deviation in their hearts follow what is open to interpretation in it, desiring conflict, seeking its inner meaning. No one knows its inner meaning but Allah. Those firmly rooted in knowledge say, 'We believe in it. All of it is from our Lord.' But only people of intelligence pay heed. (3:7)

Then He sent down to you, after the distress, security, restful sleep overtaking a group of you, whereas another group became prey to anxious thoughts, thinking other than the truth about Allah—thoughts belonging to the Time of Ignorance—saying, 'Do we have any say in the affair at all?' Say, 'The affair belongs entirely to Allah.' They are concealing things inside themselves which they do not disclose to you, saying, 'If we had only had a say in the affair, none of us would have been killed here in this place.' Say, 'Even if you had been inside your homes, those people for whom killing was decreed would have gone out to their place of death.' So that Allah might test what is in your breasts and purge what is in your hearts. Allah knows the contents of your hearts. (3:154)

You who believe! Do not be like those who disbelieve and say of their brothers, when they are going on journeys or military expeditions, 'If they

had only been with us, they would not have died or been killed,' so that Allah can make that anguish for them in their hearts. It is Allah Who gives life and causes to die. Allah sees what you do. (3:156)

What assailed you on the day the two armies met was by Allah's permission, so that He would know the believers, and so that He would know the hypocrites. They were told, 'Come and fight in the Way of Allah or at least help defend us.' They said, 'If we knew how to fight, we would certainly follow you.' They were closer to disbelief that day than to faith, saying with their mouths what was not in their hearts. And Allah knows best what they are hiding. (3:166-167)

They are those who said of their brothers, when they themselves had stayed behind, 'If they had only obeyed us, they would not have been killed.' Say, 'Then ward off death from yourselves if you are telling the truth.' (3:168)

Do you not see those who claim that they believe in what has been sent down to you and what was sent down before you, still desiring to turn to a satanic source for judgement in spite of being ordered to reject it? Satan wants to misguide them far away. (4:60)

When they are told, 'Come to what Allah has sent down and to the Messenger,' you see the hypocrites turning away from you completely. (4:61)

How will it be when a disaster strikes them because of what they have done, and then they come to you swearing by Allah: 'We desired nothing but good and reconciliation'? (4:62)

Allah knows what is in such people's hearts so turn away from them and warn them and speak to them with words that take effect. (4:63)

We sent no Messenger except to be obeyed by Allah's permission. If only when they wronged themselves they had come to you and asked Allah's forgiveness and the Messenger had asked forgiveness for them they would have found Allah Ever-Returning, Most Merciful. (4:64)

No, by your Lord, they are not believers until they make you their judge in the disputes that break out between them, and then find no resistance within themselves to what you decide and

submit themselves completely. (4:65)

If We had directed them to kill themselves or leave their homes, they would not have done so, except for a very few. But if they had done what they were urged to do, it would have been better for them and far more strengthening. (4:66)

Among you there are people who hang back and if you encounter a setback then they say, 'Allah has blessed me in that I was not there with them.' (4:72)

But if you meet with favour from Allah they say—as if there were no friendship between you and them—'Oh! If only I had been with them so that I too might have won a great victory.' (4:73) Do you not see those who were told: 'Hold back from fighting but perform prayer and give the alms'? Then when fighting is prescribed for them, a group of them fear people as Allah should be feared, or even more than that. They say, 'Our Lord, why have you prescribed fighting for us? If only You would give us just a little more time!' Say, 'The enjoyment of this world is very brief. The hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. You will not be wronged by so much as the smallest speck.' (4:77)

Wherever you are, death will catch up with you, even if you are in impregnable fortresses. If a good thing happens to them, they say, 'This has come from Allah.' But if a bad thing happens to them, they say, 'This has come from you.' Say, 'Everything comes from Allah.' What is the matter with these people that they scarcely understand a single word? (4:78)

Whoever obeys the Messenger has obeyed Allah. If anyone turns away, we did not send you to them as their keeper. (4:80)

They have the word, 'Obedience!' on their tongues but when they leave your presence, a group of them spend the night plotting to do other than what you say. Allah is recording their nocturnal plotting. So let them be and put your trust in Allah. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:81) Will they not ponder the Qur'an? If it had been from other than Allah, they would have found many inconsistencies in it. (4:82)

When news of any matter reaches them they spread it about, whether it is of a reassuring or

disquieting nature. If they had only referred it to the Messenger and those in command among them, those among them able to discern the truth about it would have had proper knowledge of it. If it were not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, all but a very few of you would have followed Satan. (4:83)

How is it that you have become two parties regarding the hypocrites, when Allah has returned them to disbelief for what they did? Do you desire to guide people Allah has misguided? When Allah misguides someone, you will find no way for him. (4:88)

They would like you to disbelieve as they disbelieve so that you will all be the same. Do not take any of them as friends until they have migrated in the Way of Allah. But if they run away then seize them and kill them wherever you find them. Do not take any of them as either a friend or helper—except for those who seek shelter with people with whom you have a treaty, or who come to you greatly perturbed at the prospect of fighting either you or their own people. If Allah had willed, He could have given them the upper hand over you and then they would have fought you. If they keep away from you and do not fight you and submit to you, Allah has not given you any way against such people. (4:89-90)

You will find others who desire to be safe from you and safe from their own people. Each time they are returned to dissension they are overwhelmed by it. If they do not keep away from you or submit to you or refrain from fighting, seize them and kill them wherever you find them. Over such people We have given you clear authority. (4:91)

They try to conceal themselves from people, but they cannot conceal themselves from Allah. He is with them when they spend the night saying things which are not pleasing to Him. Allah encompasses everything they do. (4:108)

Were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, a group of them would almost have managed to mislead you. But they mislead no one but themselves and do not harm you in any way. Allah has sent down the Book and Wisdom to you and taught you what you did not know be-

fore. Allah's favour to you is indeed immense. (4:113)

There is no good in much of their secret talk, except in the case of those who enjoin charity, or what is right, or putting things right between people. If anyone does that, seeking the pleasure of Allah, We will give him an immense reward. (4:114)

But if anyone opposes the Messenger after the guidance has become clear to him, and follows other than the path of the believers, We will hand him over to whatever he has turned to, and We will roast him in Hell. What an evil destination! (4:115)

As for those who believe and then return to disbelief, and then again believe and then return to disbelief, and then increase in disbelief, Allah will not forgive them or guide them on any path. (4:137)

Give news to the hypocrites that they will have a painful punishment. (4:138)

Do those who take the disbelievers as protectors, rather than the believers, hope to find power and strength with them? Power and strength belong entirely to Allah. (4:139)

It has been sent down to you in the Book that when you hear Allah's Signs being rejected and mocked at by people, you must not sit with them till they start talking of other things. If you do you are just the same as them. Allah will gather all the hypocrites and disbelievers into Hell. (4:140) Those who anticipate the worst for you say, 'Were we not with you?' whenever you gain a victory from Allah, but if the disbelievers have a success they say, 'Did we not have the upper hand over you and yet in spite of that keep the believers away from you?' Allah will judge between you on the Day of Rising. Allah will not give the disbelievers any way against the believers. (4:141)

The hypocrites think they deceive Allah, but He is deceiving them. When they get up to pray, they get up lazily, showing off to people, and only remembering Allah a very little. (4:142)

They vacillate between the two—not joining these or joining those. If Allah misguides someone, you will not find any way for him to go. (4:143)

You who believe! Do not take the disbelievers as friends rather than the believers. Do you want to give Allah clear proof against you? (4:144)

The hypocrites are in the lowest level of the Fire. You will not find any one to help them, except those who repent and put things right and hold fast to Allah and dedicate their religion to Allah alone; they are with the believers. Allah will give the believers an immense reward. (4:145-146)

O Messenger! Do not be grieved by those who rush headlong into disbelief among those who say 'We believe' with their tongues when their hearts contain no faith. And among the Jews are those who listen to lies, listening to other people who have not come to you, distorting words from their proper meanings, saying, 'If you are given this, then take it. If you are not given it, then beware!' If Allah desires misguidance for someone, you cannot help him against Allah in any way. Those are the people whose hearts Allah does not want to purify. They will have disgrace in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (5:41)

Yet you see those with sickness in their hearts rushing to them, saying, 'We fear the wheel of fate may turn against us.' But it may well be that Allah will bring about victory or some other contingency from Him. Then they will deeply regret their secret thoughts. (5:52)

Those who believe say, 'Are these the people who swore by Allah, with their most earnest oaths, that they were with you?' Their actions have come to nothing and they now are losers. (5:53)

Do they then seek the judgement of the Time of Ignorance? Who could be better at giving judgement than Allah for people with certainty? (5:50) If it had been a case of easy gains and a short journey, they would have followed you, but the distance was too great for them. They will swear by Allah: 'Had we been able to, we would have gone out with you.' They are destroying their own selves. Allah knows that they are lying. (9:42)

Allah pardon you! Why did you excuse them until it was clear to you which of them were telling the truth and until you knew the liars? (9:43)

Those who believe in Allah and the Last Day do not ask you to excuse them from striving with their wealth and themselves. Allah knows the people who guard against evil. (9:44)

Only those who do not believe in Allah and the Last Day ask you to excuse them. Their hearts are full of doubt and in their doubt they waver to and fro. (9:45)

If they had really desired to go out, they would have made proper preparations for it, but Allah was averse to their setting out so He held them back and they were told: 'Stay behind with those who stay behind.' (9:46)

If they had gone out among you, they would have added nothing to you but confusion. They would have scurried about amongst you seeking to cause conflict between you, and among you there are some who would have listened to them. Allah knows the wrongdoers. (9:47)

They have already tried to cause conflict before, and turned things completely upside down for you, until the truth came and Allah's command prevailed even though they detested it. (9:48)

Among them are there some who say, 'Give me permission to stay. Do not put temptation in my way.' Have they not fallen into that very temptation? Hell hems in the disbelievers. (9:49)

If good happens to you it galls them. If a mishap occurs to you, they say, 'We made our preparations in advance,' and they turn away rejoicing. (9:50)

Say: 'Nothing can happen to us except what Allah has ordained for us. He is Our Master. It is in Allah that the believers should put their trust.' (9:51)

Say: 'What do you await for us except for one of the two best things? But what we await for you is for Allah to inflict a punishment on you either directly from Himself or at our hands. So wait, we are waiting with you!' (9:52)

Say: 'Whether you give readily or reluctantly, it will not be accepted from you. You are people who are deviators.' (9:53)

Nothing prevents what they give from being accepted from them but the fact that they have rejected Allah and His Messenger, and that they only come to prayer lethargically, and that they

only give reluctantly. (9:54)

Do not let their wealth and children impress you. Allah merely wants to punish them by them during their life in this world and for them to expire while they are disbelievers. (9:55)

They swear by Allah that they are of your number, but they are not of your number. Rather, they are people who are scared. (9:56)

If they could find a bolt-hole, cave or burrow, they would turn and scurry away into it. (9:57)

Among them there are some who find fault with you concerning the alms. If they are given some of it, they are pleased but if they are not given any, they are angry. (9:58)

If only they had been pleased with what Allah and His Messenger had given them and had said, 'Allah is enough for us. Allah will give us of His bounty as will His Messenger. It is to Allah that we make our plea.' (9:59)

Among them are some who insult the Prophet, saying he is only an ear. Say, 'An ear of good for you, believing in Allah and believing in the believers, and a mercy for those among you who believe.' As for those who insult the Messenger of Allah, they will have a painful punishment. (9:61)

Do they not know that whoever opposes Allah and His Messenger, will have the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever? That is the great disgrace. (9:63)

The hypocrites are afraid that a sura may be sent down about them, informing them of what is in their hearts. Say: 'Go on mocking! Allah will expose everything you are afraid of.' (9:64)

If you ask them they will say, 'We were only joking and playing around.' Say: 'Would you make a mockery of Allah and of His Signs and of His Messenger? Do not try to excuse yourselves. You have disbelieved after believing. If one group of you is pardoned, another group will be punished for being evildoers.' (9:65-66)

The men and women of the hypocrites are as bad as one another. They command what is wrong and forbid what is right and keep their fists tightly closed. They have forgotten Allah, so He has forgotten them. The hypocrites are deviators. (9:67) Allah has promised the men and women of the

hypocrites and disbelievers the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. It will suffice them. Allah has cursed them. They will have everlasting punishment. (9:68)

Like those (hypocrites and disbelievers) before you who had greater strength than you and more wealth and children. They enjoyed their portion; so enjoy your portion as those before you enjoyed theirs. You have plunged into defamation as they plunged into it. The actions of such people come to nothing in this world or the hereafter. They are the lost. (9:69)

O Prophet, strive against the disbelievers and hypocrites and be harsh with them. Their shelter will be Hell. What an evil destination! (9:73)

They swear by Allah that they said nothing, but they definitely spoke the word of disbelief and returned to disbelief after their Islam. They planned something which they did not achieve and they were vindictive for no other cause than that Allah and His Messenger had enriched them from His bounty. If they were to repent, it would be better for them. But if they turn away, Allah will punish them with a painful punishment in this world and the hereafter, and they will not find any protector or helper on the earth. (9:74)

Among them there were some who made an agreement with Allah: 'If He gives us of His bounty we will definitely give charity and be among the righteous.' But when He does give them of His bounty they are tight-fisted with it and turn away, so He has punished them by putting hypocrisy in their hearts until the day they meet Him because they failed Allah in what they promised Him and because they lied. (9:75-77)

Do they not know that Allah knows their secrets and their private talk, and that Allah is the Knower of all unseen things? (9:78)

As for the people who find fault with those believers who give charity spontaneously, and with those who can find nothing to give but their own effort, and deride them, Allah derides them. They will have a painful punishment. (9:79)

You can ask forgiveness for them, or not ask forgiveness for them. Even if you asked forgiveness for them seventy times, Allah still would not forgive them. That is because they have rejected

Allah and His Messenger. Allah does not guide deviant people. (9:80)

Those who were left behind were glad to stay behind the Messenger of Allah. They did not want to strive with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah. They said, 'Do not go out to fight in the heat.' Say: 'The Fire of Hell is much hotter, if they only understood.' (9:81)

Let them laugh little and weep much, in repayment for what they have earned. (9:82)

If Allah returns you to a group of them, and they ask you for permission to go out, say, 'You will never go out with me, nor will you ever fight an enemy with me. You were happy to stay behind the first time, so stay behind with those who are left behind.' (9:83)

Never pray over any of them who die or stand at their graves. They rejected Allah and His Messenger and died as deviators. (9:84)

Do not let their wealth and their children impress you. Allah merely wants to punish them by them in this world, and for them to expire while they are disbelievers. (9:85)

When a sura is sent down saying: 'Believe in Allah and strive together with His Messenger,' those among them with wealth will ask you to excuse them, saying, 'Let us remain with those who stay behind.' (9:86)

They are pleased to be with those who stay behind. Their hearts have been stamped so they do not understand. (9:87)

The desert arabs came with their excuses asking for permission to stay, and those who lied to Allah and His Messenger stayed behind. A painful punishment will afflict those among them who disbelieve. (9:90)

There are only grounds against those who ask you for permission to stay when they are rich. They were pleased to be among those who were left behind. Allah has sealed up their hearts so they do not know. (9:93)

They will make excuses to you when you return to them. Say: 'Do not make excuses, we will not believe you. Allah has already informed us about you. Allah will see your actions, as will His Messenger. Then you will be returned to the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible, and He

will inform you regarding what you did.' (9:94)  
They will swear to you by Allah when you return to them, so that you leave them alone. Leave them alone, then! They are filth. Their shelter will be Hell as repayment for what they did. (9:95)  
They will swear to you to make you pleased with them, but even if you are pleased with them, Allah is certainly not pleased with deviant people. (9:96)

The desert arabs are more obdurate in disbelief and hypocrisy and more likely not to know the limits which Allah has sent down to His Messenger. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:97)

Among the desert arabs there are some who regard what they give as an imposition and are waiting for your fortunes to change. The evil turn of fortune will be theirs! Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (9:98)

And among the desert arabs there are some who believe in Allah and the Last Day and regard what they give as something which will bring them nearer to Allah and to the prayers of the Messenger. It does indeed bring them near. Allah will admit them into His mercy. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:99)

Some of the desert Arabs around you are hypocrites and some of the people of Madina are obdurate in their hypocrisy. You do not know them but We know them. We will punish them twice over and then they will be returned to a terrible punishment. (9:101)

But others have acknowledged their wrong actions and mixed a right action with another which is wrong. It may well be that Allah will turn towards them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:102)

Take charity from their wealth to purify and cleanse them and pray for them. Your prayers bring relief to them. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (9:103)

Do they not know that Allah accepts repentance from His servants and acknowledges their alms, and that Allah is the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful? (9:104)

Say: 'Act, for Allah will see your actions, and so will His Messenger and the believers. You will be

returned to the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible and He will inform you regarding what you did.' (9:105)

And others are left awaiting Allah's command as to whether He will punish them or turn to them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:106)

As for those who have set up a mosque, causing harm and out of disbelief, to create division between the believers, and in readiness for those who previously made war on Allah and His Messenger, they will swear, 'We only desired the best.' But Allah bears witness that they are truly liars. (9:107)

The buildings they have built will not cease to be a bone of contention in their hearts, until their hearts are cut to shreds. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:110)

Each time a sura is sent down there are some among them who say, 'Which of you has this increased in faith?' As for those who believe, it increases them in faith and they rejoice at it. (9:124)

But as for those with sickness in their hearts, it adds defilement to their defilement, and they die while they are disbelievers. (9:125)

Do they not see that they are tried once or twice in every year? But still they do not turn back. They do not pay heed. (9:126)

Each time a sura is sent down, they look at one another, implying, 'Can anyone see you?' Then they turn away. Allah has turned their hearts away because they are people who do not understand. (9:127)

Among the people there is one who worships Allah right on the edge. If good befalls him, he is content with it, but if a trial befalls him, he reverts to his former ways, losing both this world and the hereafter. That is indeed sheer loss. (22:11)

He calls on what is far more likely to harm than help. What an evil protector! What an evil associate! (22:13)

There is a group of you who propagated the lie. Do not suppose it to be bad for you; rather it is good for you. Every one of them will incur the evil he has earned and the one who took it on himself to amplify it will receive a terrible pun-

ishment. (24:11)

When the hypocrites and people with sickness in their hearts said, 'What Allah and His Messenger promised us was mere delusion.' (33:12)

And a group of them said, 'People of Yathrib, Your position is untenable so return!' some of them asked the Prophet to excuse them, saying, 'Our houses are exposed,' when they were not exposed; it was merely that they wanted to run away. (33:13)

If they had been overrun from every side, and had then been asked to revert to disbelief, they would have done so and hesitated very little about it. (33:14)

Yet they had previously made a contract with Allah that they would never turn their backs. Contracts made with Allah will be asked about. (33:15)

Say: 'Flight will not benefit you if you try to run away from death or being killed. Then you will only enjoy a short respite.' (33:16)

Say: 'Who is going to shield you from Allah if He desires evil for you or desires mercy for you?' They will find no one to protect or help them besides Allah. (33:17)

Allah knows the obstructers among you and those who say to their brothers, 'Come to us,' and who only come to fight a very little, and are begrudging towards you. Then when fear comes, you see them looking at you, their eyes rolling like people scared to death. But when fear departs they flay you with sharp tongues, grasping for wealth. Such people have no faith and Allah will make their actions come to nothing. That is easy for Allah. (33:18-19)

They think that the Confederates have not departed and if the Confederates did appear then they would wish they were out in the desert with the Arabs, asking for news of you. If they were with you they would only fight a very little. (33:20)

You have an excellent model in the Messenger of Allah, for all who put their hope in Allah and the Last Day and remember Allah much. (33:21)

So that Allah might recompense the truthful for their truth and punish the hypocrites, if He wills, or turn towards them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving,

Most Merciful. (33:24)

Do not obey the disbelievers and hypocrites and disregard their abuse of you. Put your trust in Allah. Allah suffices as a Protector. (33:48)

If the hypocrites and those with sickness in their hearts and the rumour-mongers in Madina do not desist, We will set you onto them. Then they will only be your neighbours there a very short time. (33:60)

They are an accursed people. Wherever they are found they should be seized and mercilessly put to death. (33:61)

This is Allah's pattern with those who passed away before. You will not find any alteration in Allah's pattern. (33:62)

Those who believe say, 'If only a sura could be sent down.' But when a straightforward sura is sent down and fighting is mentioned in it, you see those with sickness in their hearts looking at you with the look of someone about to faint from fear of death. More fitting for them would be obedience and honourable words. Once the matter is resolved upon, being true to Allah would be better for them. (47:20-21)

Is it not likely that, if you did turn away, you would cause corruption in the earth and sever your ties of kinship? (47:22)

Such are the people Allah has cursed, making them deaf and blinding their eyes. (47:23)

Will they not then ponder the Qur'an or are there locks upon their hearts? (47:24)

Those who have turned back in their tracks after the guidance became clear to them, it was Satan who talked them into it and filled them with false hopes. (47:25)

That is because they said to those who hate what Allah has sent down, 'We will obey you in part of the affair.' But Allah knows their secrets. (47:26)

How will it be when the angels take them in death, beating their faces and their backs? (47:27)

That is because they followed what angers Allah and hated what is pleasing to Him. So He made their actions come to nothing. (47:28)

Or did those with sickness in their hearts imagine that Allah would not expose their malevolence? (47:29)

If We wished, We would show them to you and you would know them by their mark and know them by their ambivalent speech. Allah knows your actions. (47:30)

We will test you until We know the true fighters among you and those who are steadfast and test what is reported of you. (47:31)

Those who disbelieve and obstruct the Way of Allah and are entrenched in hostility towards the Messenger after the guidance has become clear to them, do not harm Allah in any way and He makes their actions come to nothing. (47:32)

Those Arabs who remained behind will say to you, 'Our wealth and families kept us occupied, so ask forgiveness for us.' They say with their tongues what is not in their hearts. Say: 'Who can control Allah for you in any way whether He wants harm for you or wants benefit for you?' Allah is aware of what you do. (48:11)

No, you thought that the Messenger and the believers were not going to return to their families, and that seemed pleasing to your hearts and you thought evil thoughts and you were a blighted people. (48:12)

When you go out to get the booty, those who remained behind will say, 'Allow us to follow you,' desiring to alter Allah's words. Say: 'You may not follow us. That is what Allah said before.' They will say, 'It is only because you envy us.' No indeed! How little they have understood! (48:15)

Say to the Arabs who remained behind: 'You will be called up against a people who possess great force whom you must fight unless they submit. If you obey, Allah will give you an excellent reward. But if you turn your backs as you did before, He will punish you with a painful punishment.' (48:16)

That Day the men and women of the hypocrites will say to those who believe, 'Wait for us so that we can borrow some of your light.' They will be told, 'Go back and look for light!' And a wall will be erected between them with a gate in it, on the inside of which there will be mercy but before whose exterior lies the punishment. (57:13)

They (hypocrites) will call out to them, 'Were we not with you?' They will reply, 'Indeed you were. But you made trouble for yourselves and hung

back and doubted and false hopes deluded you until Allah's command arrived. The Deluder deluded you about Allah. So today no ransom will be accepted from you or from those who disbelieved. Your refuge is the Fire. It is your master. What an evil destination!' (57:14-15)

Do you not see those who were forbidden to confer together secretly returning to the very thing they were forbidden to do, and conferring together secretly in wrongdoing and enmity and disobedience to the Messenger? And when they come to you they greet you with words Allah has never used in greeting you, and say to themselves 'Why does Allah not punish us for what we say?' Hell will be enough for them! They will roast in it. What an evil destination! (58:8)

You who believe! When you confer together secretly, do not do so in wrongdoing and enmity and disobedience to the Messenger; rather confer together in goodness and fear of Allah. Have fear of Allah—Him to Whom you will be gathered. (58:9)

Conferring in secret is from Satan, to cause grief to those who believe; but it cannot harm them at all, unless by Allah's permission. So let the believers put their trust in Allah. (58:10)

Do you not see those who have turned to people with whom Allah is angry? They belong neither to you nor to them. And they swear to falsehood and do so knowingly. (58:14)

Allah has prepared a terrible punishment for them. How evil is what they have been doing! (58:15)

They made their oaths into a cloak and barred the Way of Allah, so they will have a humiliating punishment. (58:16)

Neither their wealth nor their children will help them at all against Allah. Such people are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (58:17)

On the Day Allah raises up all of them together they will swear to Him just as they have sworn to you and imagine they have something to stand upon. No indeed! It is they who are the liars. (58:18)

Satan has gained mastery over them and made them forget the remembrance of Allah. Such

people are the party of Satan. No indeed! It is the party of Satan who are the losers. (58:19)  
Those who oppose Allah and His Messenger, such people will be among the most abased. (58:20)

You will not find people who believe in Allah and the Last Day having love for anyone who opposes Allah and His Messenger, though they be their fathers, their sons, their brothers or their clan. Allah has inscribed faith upon such people's hearts and will reinforce them with a Spirit from Him and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. Such people are the party of Allah. Truly it is the party of Allah who are successful. (58:22)

Did you not see the hypocrites saying to their brothers, those among the People of the Book who disbelieve, 'If you are driven out we will leave with you, we will never obey anyone to your detriment. And if you are fought against we will help you'? Allah bears witness that they are truly liars. (59:11)

If they are driven out they will not leave with them. If they are fought against they will not help them. And if they did help them they would turn their backs, and then they would not be helped. (59:12)

You are a greater cause of terror in their breasts than Allah! That is because they are people who do not understand. (59:13)

They will not fight against you all together as a group except in fortified towns or behind high walls. Their hostility towards each other is intense. They are full of bravado in each other's company. You consider them united but their hearts are scattered wide. That is because they are people who do not use their intellect. (59:14)  
They are like Satan when he says to a human being, 'Disbelieve,' and then when he disbelieves, says, 'I wash my hands of you. Truly I fear Allah, the Lord of all the worlds.' (59:16)

When the hypocrites come to you they say, 'We bear witness that you are indeed the Messenger of Allah.' Allah knows that you are indeed His Messenger and Allah bears witness that the hyp-

ocrites are certainly liars. (63:1)  
They have made their oaths into a cloak and barred the Way of Allah. What they have done is truly evil. (63:2)

That is because they have believed and then returned to disbelief. So their hearts have been sealed up and they cannot understand. (63:3)  
When you see them, their outward form appeals to you, and if they speak you listen to what they say. But they are like propped-up planks of wood. They imagine every cry to be against them. They are the enemy, so beware of them. Allah fight them! How they are perverted! (63:4)  
When they are told, 'Come, and the Messenger of Allah will ask forgiveness for you,' they turn their heads and you see them turn away in haughty arrogance. (63:5)

In their case it makes no difference whether you ask forgiveness for them or do not ask forgiveness for them. Allah will never forgive them. Allah does not guide deviant people. (63:6)

They are the people who say, 'Do not spend on those who are with the Messenger of Allah, so that they may go away.' The treasures of the heavens and earth belong to Allah. But the hypocrites do not understand this. (63:7)

They say, 'If we return to Madina, the mightier will drive out the inferior.' But all might belongs to Allah and to His Messenger and the believers. But the hypocrites do not know this. (63:8)

## IBLIS (SEE DIABOLIS)

### IBRAHIM (AS) (ABRAHAM)

Remember when Ibrahim was tested by his Lord with certain words which he carried out completely. He said, 'I will make you a model for mankind.' He asked, 'And what of my descendants?' He said, 'My contract does not include the wrongdoers.' (2:124)

And when We made the House (Kaaba) a place of return, a sanctuary for mankind: They took the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray) as a place of prayer. We contracted with Ibrahim and Isma'il: 'Purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stay there, and those who bow and who prostrate.' (2:125)

And when Ibrahim said, 'My Lord, make this a place of safety and provide its inhabitants with fruits—all of them who believe in Allah and the Last Day,' He said, 'I will let anyone who becomes a disbeliever enjoy himself a little but then I will drive him to the punishment of the Fire. What an evil destination!' (2:126)

And when Ibrahim built the foundations of the House with Isma'il: 'Our Lord, accept this from us! You are the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing. Our Lord, make us both Muslims submitted to You, and our descendants a Muslim community submitted to You. Show us our rites of worship and turn towards us. You are the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful.' (2:127-128)

Who would deliberately renounce the religion of Ibrahim except someone who reveals himself to be a fool? We chose him in this world and in the hereafter he will be one of the righteous. (2:130)

When his Lord said to him, 'Become a Muslim!' he said, 'I am a Muslim who has submitted to the Lord of all the worlds.' (2:131)

Ibrahim directed his sons to this, as did Ya'qub: 'My sons! Allah has chosen this religion for you, so do not die except as Muslims.' (2:132)

Or were you present when death came to Ya'qub and he said to his sons, 'What will you worship when I have gone?' They said, 'We will worship your God, the God of your forefathers, Ibrahim,

Isma'il and Ishaq— one God. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:133)

They say, 'Be Jews or Christians and you will be guided.' Say, 'Rather adopt the religion of Ibrahim, a man of natural pure belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (2:135)

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and 'Isa were given, and what all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:136)

Or do they say that Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes were Jews or Christians? Say, 'Do you know better or does Allah?' Who could do greater wrong than someone who hides the evidence he has been given by Allah? Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:140)

What about the one who argued with Ibrahim about his Lord, on the basis that Allah had given him sovereignty? Ibrahim said, 'My Lord is He Who gives life and causes to die.' He said, 'I too give life and cause to die.' Ibrahim said, 'Allah makes the sun come from the East. Make it come from the West.' And the one who was a disbeliever was dumbfounded. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (2:258)

When Ibrahim said, 'My Lord, show me how You bring the dead to life.' He asked, 'Do you not then believe?' He replied, 'Indeed I do! But so that my heart may be at peace.' He said, 'Take four birds and train them to yourself. Then put a part of them on each mountain and call to them; they will come rushing to you. Know that Allah is Almighty, All-Wise.' (2:260)

Allah chose Adam and Nuh and the family of Ibrahim and the family of 'Imran over all other beings. (3:33)

(Say,) 'People of the Book! Why do you argue concerning Ibrahim when the Torah and Gospel were only sent down after him? Why do you not use your intellect?' (3:65)

Ibrahim was neither a Jew nor a Christian. but a man of pure natural belief—a Muslim. He was not one of the idolaters. (3:67)

The people with the strongest claim to Ibrahim are those who followed him and this Prophet and those who believe. Allah is the Protector of the believers. (3:68)

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim, Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and 'Isa and all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (3:84)

Say, 'Allah speaks the truth, so follow the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (3:95)

In it are Clear Signs—the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray). All who enter it are safe. Pilgrimage to the House is a duty owed to Allah by all mankind—those who can find a way to do it. But if anyone disbelieves, Allah is Rich Beyond Need of any being. (3:97)

Or do they in fact envy other people for the bounty Allah has granted them? We gave the family of Ibrahim the Book and Wisdom, and We gave them an immense kingdom. (4:54)

Who could have a better religion than someone who submits himself completely to Allah and is a good-doer, and follows the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief? Allah took Ibrahim as an intimate friend. (4:125)

We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh and the Prophets who came after him. And We revealed to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and 'Isa and Ayyub and Yunus and Harun and Sulayman. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (4:163)

Remember when Ibrahim said to his father, Azar, 'Do you take idols as gods? I see that you and your people are clearly misguided.' (6:74)

Because of that We showed Ibrahim the dominions of the heavens and the earth so that he might be one of the people of certainty. (6:75)

When night covered him he saw a star and said, 'This is my Lord!' Then when it set he said, 'I do not love what sets.' (6:76)

Then when he saw the moon come up he said, 'This is my Lord!' Then when it set he said, 'If my Lord does not guide me, I will be one of the mis-

guided people.' (6:77)

Then when he saw the sun come up he said, 'This is my Lord! This is greater!' Then when it set he said, 'My people, I am free of what you associate with Allah! I have turned my face to Him Who brought the heavens and earth into being, a pure natural believer. I am not one of the idolaters.' (6:78-79)

His people argued with him. He said, 'Are you arguing with me about Allah when He has guided me? I have no fear of any partner you ascribe to Him unless my Lord should will such a thing to happen. My Lord encompasses all things in His knowledge so will you not pay heed? Why should I fear what you have associated with Him when you yourselves apparently have no fear of associating partners with Allah for which He has sent down no authority to you? Which of the two parties is more entitled to feel safe, if you have any knowledge?' (6:80-81)

This is the argument We gave to Ibrahim against his people. We raise in rank anyone We will. Your Lord is All-Wise, All-Knowing. (6:83)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, each of whom We guided. And before him We had guided Nuh. And among his descendants were Dawud and Sulayman, and Ayyub, Yusuf, Musa and Harun. That is how We recompense the good-doers. (6:84)

Say: 'My Lord has guided me to a straight path, a well-founded religion, the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (6:161)

Has the news of those who came before them not reached them the people of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud, and the people of Ibrahim and the inhabitants of Madyan and the overturned cities? Their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (9:70)

Ibrahim would not have asked forgiveness for his father but for a promise he made to him, and when it became clear to him that he was an enemy of Allah, he renounced him. Ibrahim was tender-hearted and forbearing. (9:114)

Our messengers brought the good news to Ibrahim. They said, 'Peace!' and he too said,

'Peace!' and brought in a roasted calf without delay. (11:69)

When he saw that their hands were not reaching for it, he suspected them and felt afraid of them. They said, 'Have no fear! We have been sent to the people of Lut.' (11:70)

His wife was standing there and she laughed out loud. So We gave her the good news of Ishaq, and beyond Ishaq, Ya'qub. (11:71)

She said, 'Woe is me! How can I give birth when I am an old woman and my husband here is an aged man? This is indeed an astonishing thing!' (11:72)

They said, 'Are you astonished at Allah's command? May Allah's mercy and His blessings be upon you, People of the House! He is Praiseworthy, All-Glorious.' (11:73)

When the feeling of fear left Ibrahim, and the good news reached him, he disputed with Us about the people of Lut. (11:74)

Ibrahim was forbearing, compassionate, penitent. (11:75)

'Ibrahim, turn away from this! Your Lord's command has come. A punishment is coming to them which cannot be repelled.' (11:76)

(Ya'qub said to Yusuf,) 'Accordingly your Lord will pick you out and teach you the true meaning of events and perfectly fulfil His blessing on you as well as on the family of Ya'qub as He fulfilled it perfectly before upon your forebears, Ibrahim and Ishaq. Most certainly your Lord is Knowing, Wise.' (12:6)

(Yusuf said,) 'I hold fast to the creed of my forebears Ibrahim and Ishaq and Ya'qub. We don't associate anything with Allah. And that is how Allah has favoured us and all mankind, but most do not give thanks.' (12:38)

When Ibrahim said, 'My Lord! Make this land a place of safety and keep me and my sons from worshipping idols. My Lord! They have misguided many of mankind. If anyone follows me, he is with me but if anyone disobeys me, You are Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. Our Lord! I have settled some of my offspring by Your Sacred House in an uncultivated valley. Our Lord! Let them perform prayer! Make the hearts of mankind incline towards them and provide them

with fruits, so that hopefully they will be thankful. Our Lord! You know what we keep hidden and what we divulge. Nothing is hidden from Allah either on the earth or in heaven. Praise be to Allah Who, despite my old age, has given me Isma'il and Ishaq. My Lord is the Hearer of Prayer. My Lord! Make me and my descendants people who perform prayer. My Lord! Accept my prayer. Our Lord! Forgive me and my parents and the believers on the Day the Reckoning takes place.' (14:35-41)

And tell them about the guests of Ibrahim. (15:51)

When they came in to him, they said, 'Peace!' He said, 'Truly we are afraid of you.' (15:52)

They said, 'Do not be afraid. We bring you the good news of a boy of great knowledge.' (15:53)

He said, 'Do you bring me this good news despite the fact of old age having reached me? What kind of good news are you bringing me?' (15:54)

They said, 'We bring you good news of the truth, so do not be among those who despair.' (15:55)

He said, 'Who despairs of the mercy of his Lord except for misguided people?' (15:56)

He added, 'What is your business, messengers?' (15:57)

They said, 'We have been sent to a people who are evildoers—with the exception of the family of Lut, all of whom We will save, except for his wife. We have decreed her to be one of those who stay behind.' (15:58-60)

Ibrahim was a community in himself, exemplary, obedient to Allah, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters. (16:120)

He was thankful for His blessings. Allah chose him and guided him to a straight path. (16:121)

We gave him good in this world and in the hereafter he will be one of the righteous. (16:122)

Then We revealed to you: 'Follow the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (16:123)

Mention Ibrahim in the Book. He was a true man and a Prophet. (19:41)

Remember when he said to his father, 'Father, why do you worship what can neither hear nor see and is not of any use to you at all? Father,

knowledge which never reached you has come to me, so follow me and I will guide you to the right path. Father, do not worship Satan. Satan was disobedient to the All-Merciful. Father, I am afraid that a punishment from the All-Merciful will afflict you, and turn you into a comrade of Satan.' (19:42-45)

He said, 'Do you forsake my gods, Ibrahim? If you do not stop, I will stone you. Keep away from me for a good long time.' (19:46)

He said, 'Peace be upon you. I will ask my Lord to forgive you. He has always honoured me. I will separate myself from you and all you call upon besides Allah and I will call upon my Lord. It may well be that, in calling on my Lord, I will not be disappointed.' (19:47-48)

When he had separated himself from them, and what they worshipped besides Allah, We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, making each of them a Prophet. (19:49)

We endowed them with Our mercy and made them highly honoured. (19:50)

Those are some of the Prophets Allah has blessed, from the descendants of Adam and from those We carried with Nuh, and from the descendants of Ibrahim and Isra'il and from those We guided and chose. When the Signs of the All-Merciful were recited to them they fell on their faces, weeping, in prostration. (19:58)

We gave Ibrahim his right guidance early on, and We had complete knowledge of him. (21:51)

When he said to his father and his people, 'What are these statues you are clinging to?' (21:52)

They said, 'We found our fathers worshipping them.' (21:53)

He said, 'You and your fathers are clearly misguided.' (21:54)

They said, 'Have you brought us the truth or are you playing games?' (21:55)

He said, 'Far from it! Your Lord is the Lord of the heavens and the earth, He Who brought them into being. I am one of those who bear witness to that. By Allah, I will devise some scheme against your idols when your backs are turned.' (21:56-57)

He broke them in pieces, except for the biggest one, so that they would have it to consult! (21:58)

They said, 'Who has done this to our gods? He is

definitely one of the wrongdoers!' (21:59)

They said, 'We heard a young man mentioning them. They call him Ibrahim.' (21:60)

They said, 'Bring him before the people's eyes so they can be witnesses.' (21:61)

They said, 'Did you do this to our gods, Ibrahim?' (21:62)

He said, 'No, this one, the biggest of them, did it. Ask them if they are able to speak!' (21:63)

They consulted among themselves and said, 'It is you yourselves who are wrongdoers.' (21:64)

But then they relapsed back into their disbelief: 'You know full well these idols cannot talk.' (21:65)

He said, 'Do you then worship, instead of Allah, what cannot help or harm you in any way? Shame on you and what you worship besides Allah! Will you not use your intellect?' (21:66-67)

They said, 'Burn him and support your gods if you are resolved to do something.' (21:68)

We said, 'Fire, be coolness and peace for Ibrahim!' (21:69)

They desired to trap him but We made them the losers. (21:70)

We delivered both him and Lut to the land which We had blessed for all beings. (21:71)

And in addition to that We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub and made both of them righteous. (21:72)

We made them leaders, guiding by Our command, and revealed to them how to do good actions and perform prayer and give the alms, and they worshipped Us. (21:73)

And We located the position of the House for Ibrahim: 'Do not associate anything with Me and purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stand and bow and prostrate. (22:26)

Announce the Pilgrimage to mankind. They will come to you on foot and on every sort of lean animal, coming by every distant road. (22:27)

If they deny you, the people of Nuh before them denied him and those of 'Ad and of Thamud and the people of Ibrahim and the people of Lut. (22:42-43)

Strive for Allah with the striving due to Him. He has selected you and not placed any constraint upon you in the religion—the religion of your forefather Ibrahim. He named you Muslims be-

fore and also in this, so that the Messenger could be witness against you and you could be witnesses against all mankind. So perform prayer and give the alms and hold fast to Allah. He is your Protector—the Best Protector, the Best Helper. (22:78)

Recite to them the story of Ibrahim (26:69)

When he said to his father and his people, ‘What do you worship?’ (26:70)

They said, ‘We worship idols and will continue to cling to them.’ (26:71)

He said, ‘Do they hear you when you call or do they help you or do you harm?’ (26:72-73)

They said, ‘No, but this is what we found our fathers doing.’ (26:74)

He said, ‘Have you really thought about what you worship, you and your fathers who came before? They are all my enemies—except for the Lord of all the worlds: He Who created me and guides me; He Who gives me food and gives me drink; and when I am ill, it is He Who heals me; He Who will cause my death, then give me life; He Who I sincerely hope will forgive my mistakes on the Day of Reckoning. My Lord, give me right judgement and unite me with the righteous; and make me highly esteemed among the later peoples; and make me one of the inheritors of the Garden of Delight; and forgive my father—he was one of the misguided; and do not disgrace me on the Day they are raised up, the Day when neither wealth nor sons will be of any use—except to those who come to Allah with sound and flawless hearts.’ (26:75-89)

And Ibrahim, when he said to his people, ‘Worship Allah and have fear of Him. That is better for you if you only knew.’ (29:16)

And if you deny it, nations before you also denied the truth. The Messenger is only responsible for clear transmission. (29:18)

The only answer of his people was to say: ‘Kill him or burn him!’ But Allah rescued him from the fire. There are certainly Signs in that for people who are believers. (29:24)

He said, ‘You have adopted idols apart from Allah as tokens of mutual affection in this world. But then on the Day of Rising you will reject one another and curse one another. The Fire will be

your shelter. You will have no helpers.’ (29:25) And Lut believed in him. He said, ‘I am leaving this place to follow the pleasure of my Lord. He is the Almighty, the All Wise.’ (29:26)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya’qub and placed Prophethood and the Book among his progeny. We gave him his reward in this world and in the hereafter he will be among the righteous. (29:27) When Our messengers came with the good news to Ibrahim, they said, ‘We are going to destroy the people of this city. Truly its inhabitants are wrongdoers.’ (29:31)

He said, ‘Lut is in it.’ They said, ‘We know very well who is in it. We are going to rescue him and his family—except for his wife. She will be one of those who stay behind.’ (29:32)

When We made a covenant with all the Prophets—with you and with Nuh and Ibrahim and Musa and ‘Isa son of Maryam—We made a binding covenant with them. (33:7)

One of his followers in faith was Ibrahim when he came to his Lord with an unblemished heart, and said to his father and his people, ‘What are you worshipping? Is it falsehood—gods besides Allah—that you desire? So what are your thoughts about the Lord of all the worlds?’ (37:83-87)

He took a look at the stars and said, ‘I am sick.’ (37:88-89)

So they turned their backs on him. (37:90)

He turned surreptitiously to their gods and said, ‘Do you not eat? What is the matter with you that you do not speak?’ (37:91-92)

He turned on them, striking out with his right hand. (37:93)

They came rushing back to him. (37:94)

He said, ‘Do you worship something you have carved when Allah created both you and what you do?’ (37:95-96)

They said, ‘Build a pyre for him and fling him into the blaze!’ (37:97)

They tried to outwit him but We made them the lowest. (37:98)

He said, ‘I am going towards my Lord; He will be my guide. My Lord, bestow on me a right-acting child!’ (37:99-100)

And We gave him the good news of a forbearing boy. (37:101)

When he was of an age to work with him, he said, 'My son, I saw in a dream that I must sacrifice you. What do you think about this?' He said, 'Do as you are ordered, father. Allah willing, you will find me resolute.' (37:102)

Then when they had both submitted and he had lain him face down on the ground, We called out to him, 'Ibrahim! you have discharged your vision.' That is how We recompense good-doers. (37:103-105)

This was indeed a most manifest trial. (37:106)

We ransomed him with a mighty sacrifice and left the later people saying of him: 'Peace be upon Ibrahim.' (37:107-109)

That is how We recompense good-doers. (37:110)

He truly was one of Our believing servants. (37:111)

We gave him the good news of Ishaq, a Prophet, one of the righteous. (37:112)

We showered blessings upon him and upon Ishaq. Among their descendants are good-doers and also people who clearly wrong themselves. (37:7113)

And remember Our servants Ibrahim, Ishaq and Ya'qub, men of true strength and inner sight. (38:45)

We purified their sincerity through sincere remembrance of the Abode. (38:46)

In Our eyes they are among the best of chosen men. (38:47)

He has laid down the same religion for you as He enjoined on Nuh: that which We have revealed to you and which We enjoined on Ibrahim, Musa and 'Isa: 'Establish the religion and do not make divisions in it.' What you call the idolaters to follow is very hard for them. Allah chooses for Himself anyone He wills and guides to Himself those who turn to Him. (42:13)

When Ibrahim said to his father and his people, 'I am free of everything you worship, except for Him Who brought me into being, Who will certainly guide me,' (43:26-27)

Has the story reached you of the honoured guests of Ibrahim? (51:24)

When they entered his dwelling and said, 'Peace!' he said, 'Peace, to people we do not

know.' (51:25)

So he slipped off to his household and brought a fattened calf. (51:26)

He offered it to them and then exclaimed, 'Do you not then eat?' (51:27)

He felt afraid of them but they said, 'Do not be afraid!' and gave him the good news of a son imbued with knowledge. (51:28)

His wife came up with a shriek and struck her face and said, 'What, and me a barren old woman?' (51:29)

They said, 'That is what your Lord says. He is the All-Wise, the All-Knowing.' (51:30)

He inquired, 'What, then, is your business, messengers?' (51:31)

They said, 'We have been sent to a people of evildoers to unleash upon them lumps of clay earmarked by your Lord for the profligate.' (51:32-34)

We brought out all the believers who were there but found in it only one house of Muslims. (51:35-36)

Or has he not been informed what is in the texts of Musa and of Ibrahim, who paid his dues in full? (53:36-37)

We sent Nuh and Ibrahim and placed Prophethood and the Book among their descendants. Some of them are guided but many of them are deviators. (57:26)

You have an excellent example in Ibrahim and those with him, when they said to their people, 'We wash our hands of you and all that you worship apart from Allah, and we reject you. Between us and you there will be enmity and hatred for ever unless and until you believe in Allah alone.' Except for Ibrahim's words to his father: 'I will ask forgiveness for you but I have no power to help you in any way against Allah.' 'Our Lord, we have put our trust in You and have repented to You. You are our final destination.' (60:4)

This is certainly in the earlier texts, the texts of Ibrahim and Musa. (87:18-19)

## **IDDAH (SEE WAITING PERIOD (FOR WOMEN))**

### **IDOL**

Remember when Ibrahim said to his father, Azar,

'Do you take idols as gods? I see that you and your people are clearly misguided.' (6:74)  
We conveyed the tribe of Israel across the sea and they came upon some people who were devoting themselves to some idols which they had. They said, 'Musa, give us a god just as these people have gods.' He said, 'You are indeed an ignorant people.' (7:138)

When Ibrahim said, 'My Lord! Make this land a place of safety and keep me and my sons from worshipping idols.' (14:35)

(Ibrahim said,) 'By Allah, I will devise some scheme against your idols when your backs are turned.' (21:57)

That is it. If someone honours Allah's sacred things, that is better for him in his Lord's sight. All livestock are permitted to you except what has already been recited to you. Have done with the defilement of idols and have done with telling lies. (22:30)

They said, 'We worship idols and will continue to cling to them.' (26:71)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Instead of Allah you worship only idols. You are inventing a lie. Those you worship besides Allah have no power to provide for you. So seek your provision from Allah and worship Him and give thanks to Him. It is to Him you will be returned.' (29:17)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'You have adopted idols apart from Allah as tokens of mutual affection in this world. But then on the Day of Rising you will reject one another and curse one another. The Fire will be your shelter. You will have no helpers.' (29:25)

Or do they have some god other than Allah? Glory be to Allah above any idol they propose! (52:43)

### **IDOLATERS (MUSHRIQUN)**

Rather you will find them the people greediest for life, along with the idolaters. One of them would love to be allowed to live a thousand years. But being allowed to live would not save him from the punishment. Allah sees what they do. (2:96)

Those of the People of the Book who disbelieve and the idolaters do not like anything good to be

sent down to you from your Lord. But Allah selects for His mercy whomever He wills. Allah's favour is truly vast. (2:105)

They say, 'Be Jews or Christians and you will be guided.' Say, 'Rather adopt the religion of Ibrahim, a man of natural pure belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (2:135)

Do not marry women of the idolaters until they believe. A slavegirl who is one of the believers is better for you than a woman of the idolaters, even though she may attract you. And do not marry men of the idolaters until they believe. A slave who is one of the believers is better for you than a man of the idolaters, even though he may attract you. Such people call you to the Fire whereas Allah calls you, with His permission, to the Garden and forgiveness. He makes His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will pay heed. (2:221)

Ibrahim was neither a Jew nor a Christian but a man of pure natural belief—a Muslim. He was not one of the idolaters. (3:67)

Say, 'Allah speaks the truth, so follow the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (3:95)

You will be tested in your wealth and in yourselves and you will hear many abusive words from those given the Book before you and from those who are idolaters. But if you are steadfast and guard against evil, that is the most resolute course to take. (3:186)

You will find that the people most hostile to those who believe are the Jews and the idolaters. You will find the people most affectionate to those who believe are those who say, 'We are Christians.' That is because some of them are priests and monks and because they are not arrogant. (5:82)

Say: 'Am I to take anyone other than Allah as my protector, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and the earth, He Who feeds and is not fed?' Say: 'I am commanded to be the first of the Muslims,' and, 'Do not be among the idolaters.' (6:14)

Then they will have no recourse except to say, 'By Allah, our Lord, We were not idolaters.' (6:23)

(Ibrahim said,) 'I have turned my face to Him

Who brought the heavens and earth into being, a pure natural believer. I am not one of the idolaters.' (6:79)

Follow what has been revealed to you from your Lord—there is no god but Him—and turn away from the idolaters. (6:106)

Do not eat anything over which the name of Allah has not been mentioned. To do so is sheer deviance. The Satans inspire their friends to dispute with you. If you obeyed them you would then be idolaters. (6:121)

In the same way their idols have made killing their children appear good to many of the idolaters, in order to destroy them and confuse them in their religion. If Allah had willed, they would not have done it; so abandon them and what they fabricate. (6:137)

Say: 'My Lord has guided me to a straight path, a well-founded religion, the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (6:161)

An announcement to those idolaters you have a general treaty with that Allah and His Messenger are free of them. (9:1)

A proclamation from Allah and His Messenger to mankind on the day of the greater pilgrimage: 'Allah is free of the idolaters, as is His Messenger. If you repent, it will be better for you. But if you turn your backs, know that you cannot thwart Allah.' Give those who disbelieve the news of a painful punishment—except those among the idolaters you have treaties with, who have not then broken their treaties with you in any way, nor granted assistance to anyone against you. Honour their treaties until their time runs out. Allah loves those who guard against evil. (9:3-4) Then, when the sacred months are over, kill the idolaters wherever you find them, and seize them and besiege them and lie in wait for them on every road. If they repent and perform prayer and give the alms, let them go on their way. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:5)

If any of the idolaters ask you for protection, give them protection until they have heard the words of Allah. Then convey them to a place where they are safe. That is because they are a people who do not know. (9:6)

How could any of the idolaters possibly have a treaty with Allah and with His Messenger, except for those you made a treaty with at the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram)? As long as they are straight with you, be straight with them. Allah loves those who guard against evil. (9:7)

It is not for the idolaters to maintain the mosques of Allah, bearing witness against themselves of their disbelief. They are the ones whose actions will come to nothing. They will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever. (9:17)

You who believe! The idolaters are unclean, so after this year they should not come near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). If you fear impoverishment, Allah will enrich you from His bounty if He wills. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:28)

It is He Who sent His Messenger with guidance and the Religion of Truth to exalt it over every other religion, even though the idolaters detest it. (Quran, 9:33)

There have been twelve months with Allah in the Book of Allah, from the day He first created the heavens and earth. Four of them are forbidden. That is the True Religion. So do not wrong one another during them. However, fight the idolaters totally just as they fight you totally, and know that Allah is with those who guard against evil. (9:36)

It is not right for the Prophet and those who believe to ask forgiveness for the idolaters—even if they are close relatives—after it has become clear to them that they are the Companions of the Blazing Fire. (9:113)

Turn your face towards the religion in pure natural faith, and on no account be among the idolaters. (10:105)

Say: 'This is my way. I call to Allah with inner sight, I and all who follow me. Glory be to Allah! I am not one of the idolaters!' (12:108)

Proclaim what you have been ordered to and turn away from the idolaters. (15:94)

The idolaters say, 'If Allah had willed we would not have worshipped anything apart from Him, neither we nor our fathers, nor would we have forbidden anything without His say.' Those before them said the same. Are the Messengers re-

sponsible for anything but clear transmission? (16:35)

Ibrahim was a community in himself, exemplary, obedient to Allah, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters. (16:120)

Then We revealed to you: 'Follow the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (16:123)

As for those who believe and those who are Jews and the Sabaeans and the Christians, Magians and idolaters, Allah will distinguish between them on the Day of Rising. Allah is witness of all things. (22:17)

A man who has fornicated may only marry a woman who has fornicated or a woman of the idolaters. A woman who has fornicated may only marry a man who has fornicated or a man of the idolaters. Doing such a thing is forbidden for the believers. (24:3)

Do not let them debar you from Allah's Signs after they have been sent down to you. Call people to your Lord and on no account be one of the idolaters. (28:87)

So set your face firmly towards the Religion, as a pure natural believer, Allah's natural pattern on which He made mankind. There is no changing Allah's creation. That is the true Religion—but most people do not know it—turning towards Him. Have fear of Him and perform prayer. Do not be among the idolaters: those who split up their religion, and form into sects, each faction exulting in what they have. (30:30-32)

Say: 'Travel about the earth and see the final fate of those before. Most of them were idolaters.' (30:42)

This was so that Allah might punish the men and women of the hypocrites, and the men and women of the idolaters, and turn towards the men and women of the believers. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:73)

Say: 'I am only a human being like yourselves. It is revealed to me that your god is One God. So be straight with Him and ask His forgiveness.' Woe to those who associate others with Him. (41:6)

He has laid down the same religion for you as He enjoined on Nuh: that which We have revealed

to you and which We enjoined on Ibrahim, Musa and 'Isa: 'Establish the religion and do not make divisions in it.' What you call the idolaters to follow is very hard for them. Allah chooses for Himself anyone He wills and guides to Himself those who turn to Him. (42:13)

And so that He might punish the men and women of the hypocrites and the men and women of the idolaters—those who think bad thoughts about Allah. They will suffer an evil turn of fate. Allah is angry with them, and has cursed them and prepared Hell for them. What an evil destination! (48:6)

It is He Who sent His Messenger with guidance and the Religion of Truth to exalt it over every other religion, though the idolaters hate it. (61:9) The People of the Book who disbelieve and the idolaters would not be cut off until the Clear Sign came to them. (98:1)

The People of the Book who disbelieve and the idolaters will be in the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. They are the worst of creatures. (98:6)

## IDRIS (AS)

Mention Idris in the Book. He was a true man and a Prophet. (19:56)

We raised him up to a high place. (19:57)

And Isma'il and Idris and Dhu'l-Kifl—each one was among the steadfast. (21:85)

We admitted them into Our mercy. They were among the righteous. (21:86)

## "IF ALLAH WILLS" (INSHA'ALLAH)

They said, 'Ask your Lord to make it clear to us what it should be like. Cows are all much the same to us. Then, if Allah wills, we will be guided.' (2:70)

On the Day We gather them all together: 'Company of jinn, you gained many followers among mankind.' And their friends among mankind will say, 'Our Lord, we benefited from one another, and now we have reached the term which You determined for us.' He will say, 'The Fire is your home. You will be in it timelessly, for ever, except as Allah wills. Your Lord is All-Wise, All-Knowing.' (6:128)

Say: 'I possess no power to help or harm myself, except as Allah wills. If I had had knowledge of the Unseen, I would have sought to gain much good and no evil would have touched me. I am only a warner and a bringer of good news to people who believe.' (7:188)

Say: 'I possess no power to harm or help myself except as Allah wills. Every nation has an appointed time. When their appointed time comes, they cannot delay it a single hour or bring it forward.' (10:49)

Then when they entered into Yusuf's presence, he drew his parents close to him and said, 'Enter Egypt safe and sound, if Allah wills.' (12:99)

Never say about anything, 'I am doing that tomorrow,' without adding 'If Allah wills.' Remember your Lord when you forget, and say, 'Hopefully my Lord will guide me to something closer to right guidance than this.' (18:23-24)

(His companion said to the garden owner,) 'Why, when you entered your garden, did you not say, "It is as Allah wills, there is no strength but in Allah"? Though you see me with less wealth and children than you possess, it may well be that my Lord will give me something better than your garden and send down on it a fireball from the sky so that morning finds it a shifting heap of dust, or morning finds its water drained into the earth so that you cannot get at it.' (18:39-41)

Musa said, 'You will find me patient, if Allah wills, and I will not disobey you in any matter.' (18:69)

On the Day the Trumpet is blown and everyone in the heavens and everyone on the earth is terrified—except those Allah wills, everyone will come to Him abject. (27:87)

He said, 'I would like to marry you to one of these two daughters of mine on condition that you work for me for eight full years. If you complete ten, that is up to you. I do not want to be hard on you. You will find me, Allah willing, to be one of the righteous.' (28:27)

When he was of an age to work with him, he (Ibrahim) said, 'My son, I saw in a dream that I must sacrifice you. What do you think about this?' He said, 'Do as you are ordered, father. Allah willing, you will find me resolute.' (37:102)

The Trumpet will be blown and those in the heavens and those in the earth will all lose consciousness, except those Allah wills. Then it will be blown a second time and at once they will be standing upright, looking on. (39:68)

We have tried them as We tried the owners of the garden when they swore that they would harvest in the morning but did not say the redeeming words, 'If Allah wills'. (68:17-18)

But they will only pay heed if Allah wills. He is entitled to be feared and entitled to forgive. (74:56)

But you will not will unless Allah wills. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (76:30)

But you will not will unless Allah wills, the Lord of all the Worlds. (81:29)

We will cause you to recite so that you do not forget—except what Allah wills. He knows what is voiced out loud and what is hidden. (87:6-7)

## IGNORANCE

Then He sent down to you, after the distress, security, restful sleep overtaking a group of you, whereas another group became prey to anxious thoughts, thinking other than the truth about Allah—thoughts belonging to the Time of Ignorance—saying, 'Do we have any say in the affair at all?' Say, 'The affair belongs entirely to Allah.' They are concealing things inside themselves which they do not disclose to you, saying, 'If we had only had a say in the affair, none of us would have been killed here in this place.' Say, 'Even if you had been inside your homes, those people for whom killing was decreed would have gone out to their place of death.' So that Allah might test what is in your breasts and purge what is in your hearts. Allah knows the contents of your hearts. (3:154)

Allah only accepts the repentance of those who do evil in ignorance and then quickly repent after doing it. Allah turns towards such people. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:17)

Do they then seek the judgement of the Time of Ignorance? Who could be better at giving judgement than Allah for people with certainty? (5:50) When those who believe in Our Signs come to you, say, 'Peace be upon you!' Allah has made

mercy incumbent on Himself. If anyone among you does evil out of ignorance and then afterwards repents and puts things right, He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (6:54)

He (Yusuf) said, 'My Lord, the prison is preferable to me than what they call on me to do. Unless You turn their guile away from me, it may well be that I will fall for them and so become a man of ignorance.' (12:33)

He (Yusuf) said, 'Are you aware of what you did to Yusuf and his brother in ignorance?' (12:89)

But to those who do evil in ignorance and then after that repent and put things right, to them your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (16:119)

So leave them in their glut of ignorance for a while. (23:54)

However, their hearts are overwhelmed by ignorance about this matter and they do other things as well. (23:63)

Remain in your houses and do not display your beauty as it was previously displayed in the Time of Ignorance. Perform prayer and give the alms and obey Allah and His Messenger. Allah desires to remove all impurity from you, People of the House, and to purify you completely. (33:33)

Those who disbelieve filled their hearts with fanatical rage—the fanatical rage of the Time of Ignorance—and Allah sent down serenity to His Messenger and to the believers, and bound them to the expression of heedfulness which they had most right to and were most entitled to. Allah has knowledge of all things. (48:26)

You who believe! If a deviator brings you a report, scrutinize it carefully in case you attack people in ignorance and so come to greatly regret what you have done. (49:6)

(Conjecturers are) those who flounder in a glut of ignorance. (51:11)

## **IGNORANT**

And when Musa said to his people, 'Allah commands you to sacrifice a cow,' they said, 'What! Are you making a mockery of us?' He said, 'I seek refuge with Allah from being one of the ignorant!' (2:67)

It is for the poor who are held back in the Way of

Allah, unable to travel in the land. The ignorant consider them rich because of their reticence. You will know them by their mark. They do not ask from people insistently. Whatever good you give away, Allah knows it. (2:273)

If their turning away is hard on you, then go down a tunnel deep into the earth, if you can, or climb up a ladder into heaven, and bring them a Sign. If Allah had wanted to He would have gathered them all to guidance. So do not be among the ignorant. (6:35)

Even if We sent down angels to them, and the dead spoke to them, and We gathered together everything in front of them right before their eyes, they would still not believe unless Allah willed. The truth is that most of them are ignorant. (6:111)

So you cannot say: 'The Book was only sent down to the two groups before us and we were ignorant of their studies.' (6:156)

We conveyed the tribe of Israel across the sea and they came upon some people who were devoting themselves to some idols which they had. They said, 'Musa, give us a god just as these people have gods.' He said, 'You are indeed an ignorant people.' (7:138)

Make allowances for people, command what is right, and turn away from the ignorant. (7:199)

(Nuh said,) 'My people! I do not ask you for any wealth for it. My wage is the responsibility of Allah alone. I will not chase away those who believe. They are surely going to meet their Lord. However, I see you as ignorant people.' (11:29)

He said, 'Nuh, he is definitely not of your family. He is someone whose action was not righteous. Do not, therefore, ask Me for something about which you have no knowledge. I admonish you lest you should be among the ignorant.' (11:46)

The servants of the All-Merciful are those who walk lightly on the earth and, who, when the ignorant speak to them, say, 'Peace'. (25:63)

(Lut said to his people,) 'Do you come with lust to men instead of women? You are a people who are deeply ignorant.' (27:55)

When they (believers) hear worthless talk they turn away from it and say, 'We have our actions and you have your actions. Peace be upon you. We do

not desire the company of the ignorant.' (28:55)  
We offered the Trust to the heavens, the earth and the mountains but they refused to take it on and shrank from it. But man took it on. He is indeed wrongdoing and ignorant. (33:72)

Say: 'Do you order me to worship something other than Allah, you ignorant people?' (39:64)  
He (Hud) said, 'All knowledge is with Allah. I only transmit to you what I have been sent with. But I see that you are a people who are ignorant.' (46:23)

### **IHRAM (STATE OF PILGRIMAGE)**

You who believe! Do not kill game while you are in the state of pilgrimage. If one of you kills any deliberately, the reprisal for it is a livestock animal equivalent to what he killed, as judged by two just men among you, a sacrifice to reach the Kaaba, or expiation by feeding the poor, or fasting commensurate with that, so that he may taste the evil consequences of what he did. Allah has pardoned all that took place in the past; but if anyone does it again Allah will take revenge on him. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (5:95)

### **IKHLAS (SEE SINCERITY)**

### **ILL FORTUNE**

Whenever a good thing came to them, they said, 'This is our due.' But if anything bad happened to them, they would blame their ill fortune on Musa and those with him. No indeed! The ill fortune is theirs in Allah's sight. But most of them did not know. (7:131)

So We sent a howling wind against them on disastrous ill-fated days to make them taste the punishment of degradation in this world. And the punishment of the hereafter is even more degrading. And they will not be helped. (41:16)

### **ILLITERATE**

Some of them are illiterate, knowing nothing of the Book but wishful thinking. They only speculate. (2:78)

### **ILLNESS**

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East

or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

(Fasting is prescribed) for a specified number of days. But any of you who are ill or on a journey should fast a number of other days. For those who can (scarcely) afford it, making up for it means feeding a poor man. And if someone does good of his own accord, it is better for him. But that you should fast is better for you, if you only knew. (2:184)

The month of Ramadan is the one in which the Qur'an was sent down as guidance for mankind, with Clear Signs containing guidance and discrimination. Any of you who are resident for the month should fast it. But any of you who are ill or on a journey should fast a number of other days. Allah desires ease for you; He does not desire difficulty for you. You should complete the number of days and proclaim Allah's greatness for the guidance He has given you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (2:185)

Perform the pilgrimage and the pious visit for Allah. If you are forcibly prevented, make whatever sacrifice is feasible. But do not shave your heads until the sacrificial animal has reached the place of sacrifice. If any of you are ill or have a head injury, the expiation is fasting or charity or sacrifice when you are safe and well again. And if you are secure, then he who takes advantage of a pious visit before the pilgrimage should make whatever sacrifice is feasible. For any one who cannot, there is three days' fast on pilgrimage and seven on your return—that is ten in all. That is for anyone whose family does not live near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Have fear of Allah and know that Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:196)

You who believe! Do not approach the prayer when you are drunk, so that you will know what you are saying, nor in a state of major impurity—unless you are travelling—until you have washed yourselves completely. If you are ill or on a journey, or any of you have come from the lavatory or touched women, and you cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, wiping your faces and your hands. Allah is Ever-Pardoning, Ever-Forgiving. (4:43)

When you are with them and leading them in prayer, a group of them should stand with you, keeping hold of their weapons. When they prostrate, the others should guard your backs. Then the other group who have not yet prayed should come and pray with you. They too should be careful and keep hold of their weapons. Those who disbelieve would like you to be negligent of your arms and equipment so that they can swoop down on you once and for all. There is nothing wrong, if you are bothered by rain or you are ill, in laying your weapons down; but take every precaution. Allah has prepared a humiliating punishment for the disbelievers. (4:102)

You who believe! When you get up to perform prayer, wash your faces and your hands and your arms to the elbows, and wipe over your heads, and (wash) your feet to the ankles. If you are in a state of major impurity, then purify yourselves. But if you are ill or on a journey, or have come from the lavatory, or have touched women, and cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, and wipe your faces and your hands therewith. Allah does not want to make things difficult for you, but He does want to purify you and to perfect His blessing upon you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:6)

(Ibrahim said,) ‘and when I am ill, it is He Who heals me.’ (26:80)

Your Lord knows that you stay up nearly two-thirds of the night—or half of it, or a third of it—and a group of those with you. Allah determines the night and day. He knows you will not keep count of it, so He has turned towards you. Recite as much of the Qur'an as is easy for you. He knows that some of you are ill and that others are travelling in the land seeking Allah's bounty, and that

others are fighting in the Way of Allah. So recite as much of it as is easy for you. And perform prayer and give the alms and lend a generous loan to Allah. Whatever good you send ahead for yourselves you will find it with Allah as something better and as a greater reward. And seek forgiveness from Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (73:20)

### **ILYAS (AS)**

And Zakariyya, Yahya, 'Isa and Ilyas. All of them were among the righteous. (6:85)

Ilyas was one of the Messengers. (37:123)

'Peace be upon Ilyas!' (37:130)

### **IMMORTAL**

We did not give them (Messengers) bodies which did not eat food, nor were they immortal. (21:8)  
We did not give any human being before you immortality. And if you die, will they then be immortal? (21:34)

(Hud said to his people,) 'Do you build a tower on every hilltop, just to amuse yourselves, and construct great fortresses, hoping to live for ever?' (26:128-129)

### **IMPUDENCE**

(They said,) 'Has the Reminder been given to him of all of us? No indeed! He is an impudent liar.' (54:25)

'They will know tomorrow who the impudent liar is.' (54:26)

### **IMPURITY**

They will ask you about menstruation. Say, 'It is an impurity, so keep apart from women during menstruation and do not approach them until they have purified themselves. But once they have purified themselves, then go to them in the way that Allah has enjoined on you.' Allah loves those who turn back from wrongdoing and He loves those who purify themselves. (2:222)

You who believe! Do not approach the prayer when you are drunk, so that you will know what you are saying, nor in a state of major impurity—unless you are travelling—until you have washed yourselves completely. If you are ill or on

a journey, or any of you have come from the lavatory or touched women, and you cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, wiping your faces and your hands. Allah is Ever-Pardoning, Ever-Forgiving. (4:43)

You who believe! When you get up to perform prayer, wash your faces and your hands and your arms to the elbows, and wipe over your heads, and (wash) your feet to the ankles. If you are in a state of major impurity, then purify yourselves. But if you are ill or on a journey, or have come from the lavatory, or have touched women, and cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, and wipe your faces and your hands therewith. Allah does not want to make things difficult for you, but He does want to purify you and to perfect His blessing upon you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:6)

Remain in your houses and do not display your beauty as it was previously displayed in the Time of Ignorance. Perform prayer and give the alms and obey Allah and His Messenger. Allah desires to remove all impurity from you, People of the House, and to purify you completely. (33:33)

## **IMRAN**

Allah chose Adam and Nuh and the family of Ibrahim and the family of 'Imran over all other beings. (3:33)

Remember when the wife of 'Imran said, 'My Lord, I have pledged to You what is in my womb, devoting it to Your service. Please accept my prayer. You are the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing.' (3:35)

And Maryam, the daughter of 'Imran, who guarded her chastity—We breathed Our Spirit into her and she confirmed the Words of her Lord and His Book and was one of the obedient. (66:12)

## **INJIL (SEE THE GOSPEL)**

### **INCONSISTENCY**

Will they not ponder the Qur'an? If it had been from other than Allah, they would have found many inconsistencies in it. (4:82)

### **INDECENCY**

Allah commands justice and doing good and giv-

ing to relatives. And He forbids indecency and doing wrong and tyranny. He warns you so that hopefully you will pay heed. (16:90)

You who believe! Do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. Anyone who follows in Satan's footsteps should know that he commands indecency and wrongdoing. Were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, not one of you would ever have been purified. But Allah purifies whoever He wills. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (24:21)

Recite what has been revealed to you of the Book and perform prayer. Prayer precludes indecency and wrongdoing. And remembrance of Allah is greater still. Allah knows what you do. (29:45)

To whoever avoids the major wrong actions and indecencies—except for minor lapses—truly your Lord is vast in forgiveness. He has most knowledge of you when He first produced you from the earth, and when you were embryos in your mothers' wombs. So do not claim purity for yourselves. He knows best those who guard against evil. (53:32)

## **INFANT**

Mankind! If you are in any doubt about the Rising, know that We created you from dust then from a drop of sperm then from a clot of blood then from a lump of flesh, formed yet unformed, so We may make things clear to you. We make whatever We want stay in the womb until a specified time and then We bring you out as children so that you can reach your full maturity. Some of you die and some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that, after having knowledge, they then know nothing at all. And you see the earth dead and barren; then when We send down water onto it it quivers and swells and sprouts with luxuriant plants of every kind. (22:5)

It is He Who created you from earth, then from a drop of sperm, then from a clot of blood, then He brings you out as infants, then so you may achieve full strength, then so you may become old men—though some of you may die before that time—so that you may reach a predetermined age and so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (40:67)

## **INHABITANT**

We have sent you with the Truth, bringing good news and giving warning. Do not ask about the inhabitants of the Blazing Fire. (2:119)

And when Ibrahim said, 'My Lord, make this a place of safety and provide its inhabitants with fruits—all of them who believe in Allah and the Last Day,' He said, 'I will let anyone who becomes a disbeliever enjoy himself a little but then I will drive him to the punishment of the Fire. What an evil destination!' (2:126)

What reason could you have for not fighting in the Way of Allah—for those men, women and children who are oppressed and say, 'Our Lord, take us out of this city whose inhabitants are wrongdoers! Give us a protector from You! Give us a helper from You!?' (4:75)

Has the news of those who came before them not reached them the people of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud, and the people of Ibrahim and the inhabitants of Madyan and the overturned cities? Their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (9:70)

To Thamud We sent their brother Salih. He said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no god apart from Him. He brought you into being from the earth and made you its inhabitants. So ask His forgiveness and then repent to Him. My Lord is Close and Quick to Respond.' (11:61)

Your Lord would never have destroyed the cities wrongfully as long as their inhabitants were putting things right. (11:117)

So they went on until they reached the inhabitants of a town. They asked them for food but they refused them hospitality. They found there a wall about to fall down and he built it up. Musa said, 'If you had wanted, you could have taken a wage for doing that.' (18:77)

You who believe! Do not enter houses other than your own until you have asked permission and greeted their inhabitants. That is better for you, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (24:27)

She (Queen of Sheba) said, 'When kings enter a city, they lay waste to it and make its mightiest inhabitants the most abased. That is what they too will do.' (27:34)

He (Musa) entered the city at a time when its inhabitants were unaware and found two men fighting there—one from his party and the other from his enemy. The one from his party asked for his support against the other from his enemy. So Musa hit him, dealing him a fatal blow. He said, 'This is part of Satan's handiwork. He truly is an outright and misleading enemy.' (28:15)

Your Lord would never destroy any cities without first sending to the chief of them a Messenger to recite Our Signs to them. We would never destroy any cities unless their inhabitants were wrongdoers. (28:59)

When Our messengers came with the good news to Ibrahim, they said, 'We are going to destroy the people of this city. Truly its inhabitants are wrongdoers.' (29:31)

(Our Messengers said to Lut,) 'We will bring down on the inhabitants of this city a devastating punishment from heaven because of their deviance.' (29:34)

Make an example for them of the inhabitants of the city when the Messengers came to it. (36:13) You who believe! Do not make friends of people with whom Allah is angry, who have despaired of the hereafter as the disbelievers have despaired of the inhabitants of the graves. (60:13)

## **INHERIT - BEQUEATH**

It is prescribed for you, when death approaches one of you and if he has some goods to leave, to make a will in favour of his parents and relatives, correctly and fairly: a duty for all those who guard against evil. (2:180)

But if someone fears bias or wrongdoing on the part of the person making the will, and puts things right between the people involved, in that case he has not committed any crime. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:182)

Those of you who die leaving wives behind should make a bequest to their wives of maintenance for a year without them having to leave their homes. But if they do leave you are not to blame for anything they do with themselves with correctness and courtesy. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:240)

Allah instructs you regarding your children: A

male receives the same as the share of two females. If there are more than two daughters they receive two-thirds of what you leave. If she is one on her own she receives a half. Each of your parents receives a sixth of what you leave if you have children. If you are childless and your heirs are your parents your mother receives a third. If you have brothers or sisters your mother receives a sixth, after any bequest you make or any debts. With regard to your fathers and your sons, you do not know which of them is going to benefit you more. These are obligatory shares from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:11) You receive half of what your wives leave if they are childless. If they have children you receive a quarter of what they leave after any bequest they make or any debts. They receive a quarter of what you leave if you are childless. If you have children they receive an eighth of what you leave after any bequest you make or any debts. If a man or woman has no direct heirs, but has a brother or sister, each of them receives a sixth. If there are more than that they share in a third after any bequest you make or any debts, making sure that no one's rights are prejudiced. This is an instruction from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Forbearing. (4:12)

You who believe! When one of you is near to death and makes a will, two just men from among you should act as witnesses; or, if you are travelling when the misfortune of death occurs, two men who are strangers to you. You should detain them after prayer and, if you are doubtful, they should swear by Allah: 'We will not sell it for any price, even to a near relative, and we will not conceal the testimony of Allah. If we did we would indeed be wrongdoers.' (5:106)

It is We Who give life and cause to die and We are the Inheritor. (15:23)

It is We Who will inherit the earth and all those on it. They will be returned to Us. (19:40)

That is the Garden which We will bequeath to those of Our servants who guard against evil. (19:63)

We wrote down in the Zabur, after the Reminder came: 'It is My servants who are righteous who will inherit the earth.' (21:105)

Such people are the inheritors who will inherit Firdaws, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (23:10-11)

How many cities We have destroyed which lived in insolent ingratitude! There are their houses, never again inhabited after them, except a little. It was We Who were their Heir. (28:58)

Did they bequeath this to each other? Indeed they are an unbridled people. (51:53)

## INK

Say: 'If all the sea was ink to write down the Words of my Lord, it would run out long before the Words of my Lord ran out,' even if We were to bring the same amount of ink again. (18:109)

## INSHA'ALLAH

(SEE "IF ALLAH WILLS")

## INSIGHT

When Talut marched out with the army, he said, 'Allah will test you with a river. Anyone who drinks from it is not with me. But anyone who does not taste it is with me—except for him who merely scoops up a little in his hand.' But they drank from it—except for a few of them. Then when he and those who believed with him had crossed it, they said, 'We do not have the strength to face Goliath and his troops today.' But those who were sure that they were going to meet Allah said, 'How many a small force has triumphed over a much greater one by Allah's permission! Allah is with the steadfast.' (2:249)

There was a sign for you in the two parties which met face to face, one party fighting in the Way of Allah and the other disbelievers. You saw them as twice their number with your own eyes. Allah reinforces with His help whoever He wills. There is instruction in that for people of insight. (3:13)

When news of any matter reaches them they spread it about, whether it is of a reassuring or disquieting nature. If they had only referred it to the Messenger and those in command among them, those among them able to discern the truth about it would have had proper knowledge of it. If it were not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, all but a very few of you would have fol-

loured Satan. (4:83)

'Clear insights have come to you from your Lord. Whoever sees clearly, does so to his own benefit. Whoever is blind, it is to his own detriment. I am not here as your keeper.' (6:104)

If you do not bring them a Sign, they say, 'Why have you not come up with one?' Say, 'I follow only what has been revealed to me from my Lord.' This is clear insight from your Lord, and guidance and mercy, for people who believe. (7:203)

Say: 'This is my way. I call to Allah with inner sight, I and all who follow me. Glory be to Allah! I am not one of the idolaters!' (12:108)

Allah revolves night and day. There is surely a lesson in that for people with inner sight. (24:44) And remember Our servants Ibrahim, Ishaq and Ya'qub, men of true strength and inner sight. (38:45)

This is clear insight for mankind and guidance and mercy for people with certainty. (45:20)

It is He Who expelled those who disbelieved among the People of the Book from their homes to the first gathering-place. You did not think that they would leave and they thought that their fortresses would protect them from Allah. Then Allah came upon them from where they least expected it and cast terror into their hearts. Their houses were pulled down by their own hands and by the hands of the believers. People of insight, take note! (59:2)

## INSOLENCE

But Allah is mocking them, and drawing them on, as they wander blindly in their excessive insolence. (2:15)

The Jews say, 'Allah's hand is chained.' Their hands are chained and they are cursed for what they say! No! Both His hands are open wide and He gives however He wills. What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of them in insolence and disbelief. We have incited enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising. Each time they kindle the fire of war, Allah extinguishes it. They rush about the earth corrupting it. Allah does not love corrupters. (5:64)

Say: 'People of the Book! You have nothing to stand on until you implement the Torah and the Gospel and what has been sent down to you from your Lord.' What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of them in insolence and disbelief. So do not waste your grief on the people of the disbelievers. (5:68)

We will overturn their hearts and sight, just as when they did not believe in it at first, and We will abandon them to wander blindly in their excessive insolence. (6:110)

We made forbidden for the Jews every animal with an undivided hoof, and in respect of cattle and sheep, We made their fat forbidden for them, except what is attached to their backs or guts or mixed up with bone. That is how We repaid them for their insolence. And We certainly speak the truth. (6:146)

If Allah misguides people, no one can guide them. We will abandon them to wander blindly in their excessive insolence. (7:186)

If Allah were to hasten evil for people the way they try to hasten good, their term would already have been completed for them. We abandon those who do not expect to meet Us to wander blindly in their excessive insolence. (10:11)

When We said to you, 'Surely your Lord encompasses the people with His knowledge.' We only appointed the vision We showed you and the Accursed Tree in the Qur'an as a trial and temptation for the people. We frighten them, but it only increases them in their excessive insolence. (17:60)

(He said to Musa,) 'As for the boy, his parents were believers and we feared that he would darken their days with excessive insolence and disbelief.' (18:80)

Then We will drag out from every sect the one among them most insolent towards the All-Merciful. (19:69)

If We did have mercy on them and removed the harm afflicting them, they would still obstinately persist in wandering blindly in their excessive insolence. (23:75)

Those who do not expect to meet Us say, 'Why have angels not been sent down to us? Why do we not see our Lord?' They have become arro-

gant about themselves and are excessively insolent. (25:21)

Who is there who could provide for you if He withholds His provision? Yet still they obstinately persist in insolence and evasion. (67:21)

## INSPIRATION

(Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam,) when I inspired the Disciples to believe in Me and in My Messenger, they said, "We believe. Bear witness that we are Muslims." (5:111)

On that Day it (the earth) will impart all its news because your Lord has inspired it. (99:4-5)

## INTELLECT - INTELLIGENCE

Do you order people to devoutness and forget yourselves, when you recite the Book? Will you not use your intellect? (2:44)

When they meet those who believe, they say, 'We believe.' But when they go apart with one another, they say, 'Why do you speak to them about what Allah has disclosed to you, so they can use it as an argument against you before your Lord? Will you not use your intellect?' (2:76)

In the creation of the heavens and earth, and the alternation of the night and day, and the ships which sail the seas to people's benefit, and the water which Allah sends down from the sky--by which He brings the earth to life when it was dead and scatters about in it creatures of every kind--and the varying direction of the winds, and the clouds subservient between heaven and earth, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (2:164)

The likeness of those who disbelieve is that of the beast which, call out to it as one may, can hear nothing but a shout and a cry. Deaf--dumb--blind. They do not use their intellect. (2:171)

There is life for you in retaliation, people of intelligence, so that hopefully you will guard against evil. (2:179)

The pilgrimage takes place during certain well-known months. If anyone undertakes the obligation of pilgrimage in them, there must be no sexual intercourse, no wrongdoing, nor any quarrelling during pilgrimage. Whatever good

you do, Allah knows it. Take provision; but the best provision is fear of Allah. So have fear of Me, people of intelligence! (2:197)

In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (2:242) He gives wisdom to whoever He wills and he who has been given wisdom has been given great good. But no one pays heed but people of intelligence. (2:269)

It is He Who sent down the Book to you from Him: verses containing clear judgements--they are the core of the Book--and others which are open to interpretation. Those with deviation in their hearts follow what is open to interpretation in it, desiring conflict, seeking its inner meaning. No one knows its inner meaning but Allah. Those firmly rooted in knowledge say, 'We believe in it. All of it is from our Lord.' But only people of intelligence pay heed. (3:7)

(Say,) 'People of the Book! Why do you argue concerning Ibrahim when the Torah and Gospel were only sent down after him? Why do you not use your intellect?' (3:65)

You who believe! Do not take any outside yourselves as intimates. They will do anything to harm you. They love what causes you distress. Hatred has appeared out of their mouths, but what their breasts hide is far worse. We have made the Signs clear to you if you use your intellect. (3:118)

When you call to prayer they make a mockery and a game of it. That is because they are people who do not use their intellect. (5:58)

Say: 'Bad things and good things are not the same, even though the abundance of the bad things may seem attractive to you.' Have fear of Allah, people of intelligence, so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:100)

Allah did not institute any such thing as bahira or sa'iba or wasila or hami. Those who disbelieved invented lies against Allah. Most of them do not use their intellect. (5:103)

The life of this world is nothing but a game and a diversion. The hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. So will you not use your intellect? (6:32)

Say: 'Come and I will recite to you what your Lord

has made forbidden for you': that you do not associate anything with Him; that you are good to your parents; that you do not kill your children because of poverty—We will provide for you and them; that you do not approach indecency—outward or inward; that you do not kill any person Allah has made inviolate—except with the right to do so. That is what He instructs you to do so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (6:151)

An evil generation has succeeded them, inheriting the Book, taking the goods of this lower world, and saying, 'We will be forgiven.' But if similar goods come to them again they still take them. Has not a covenant been made with them in the Book, that they should only say the truth about Allah and have they not studied what is in it? The Final Abode is better for those who guard against evil. Will you not use your intellect? (7:169)

The worst of beasts in Allah's sight are the deaf and dumb who have no intellect. (8:22)

Say: 'Had Allah so wished, I would not have recited it to you nor would He have made it known to you. I lived among you for many years before it came. Will you not use your intellect?' (10:16) No self can believe except with Allah's permission. He places a blight on those who do not use their intellect. (10:100)

(Hud said,) 'My people! I do not ask you for any wage for it. My wage is the responsibility of Him Who brought me into being. So will you not use your intellect?' (11:51)

We have sent it down as an Arabic Qur'an so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (12:2)

We sent none before you but men inspired with revelation from among the people of the cities. Have they not travelled in the land and seen the final fate of those before them? The abode of the hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. So will you not use your intellect? (12:109)

There is instruction in their stories for people of intelligence. This is not a narration which has been invented but confirmation of all that came before, a clarification of everything, and a guidance and a mercy for people who believe. (12:111)

In the earth there are diverse regions side by side

and gardens of grapes and cultivated fields, and palm-trees sharing one root and others with individual roots, all watered with the same water. And We make some things better to eat than others. There are Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (13:4)

Is he who knows that what has been sent down to you from your Lord is the truth like him who is blind? It is only people of intelligence who pay heed. (13:19)

This is a communication to be transmitted to mankind so that they may be warned by it and so that they will know that He is One God and so that people of intelligence will pay heed. (14:52) He has made night and day subservient to you, and the sun and moon and stars, all subject to His command. There are certainly Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (16:12)

And from the fruit of the date-palm and the grape-vine you derive both intoxicants and wholesome provision. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who use their intellect. (16:67)

Eat and pasture your cattle. Certainly there are Signs in that for people of sound intellect. (20:54)

Are they not guided by the many generations We have destroyed before them, among whose dwelling places they walk about? There are Signs in that for people of sound intellect. (20:128)

We have sent down to you a Book containing your Reminder. So will you not use your intellect? (21:10)

Shame on you and what you worship besides Allah! Will you not use your intellect? (21:67)

It is He Who gives life and causes to die and His is the alternation of the night and day. So will you not use your intellect? (23:80)

There is no objection to the blind, no objection to the lame, no objection to the sick; nor to yourselves if you eat in your own houses or your fathers' houses or your mothers' houses or your brothers' houses or your sisters' houses or the houses of your paternal uncles or paternal aunts or the houses of your maternal uncles or maternal aunts or places to which you own the keys or those of your friends. There is nothing wrong in your eating together or eating separately. And when you enter houses greet one another with a

greeting from Allah, blessed and good. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (24:61)

He (Musa) said, 'The Lord of the East and the West and everything between them if you used your intellect.' (26:28)

Anything you have been given is only the enjoyment of the life of this world and its finery. What is with Allah is better and longer lasting. So will you not use your intellect? (28:60)

We have left a Clear Sign of them behind for people who use their intellect. (29:35)

If you ask them, 'Who sends down water from the sky, bringing the earth back to life again after it was dead?' they will say, 'Allah.' Say: 'Praise be to Allah.' But most of them do not use their intellect. (29:63)

Among His Signs is that He shows you lightning, a source of fear and eager hope, and sends down water from the sky, bringing the dead earth back to life by it. There are certainly Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (30:24)

He has made an example for you from among yourselves. Are any of the slaves you own partners with you in what We have provided for you so that you are equal in respect of it, you fearing them the same as one another? In that way We make Our Signs clear for people who use their intellect. (30:28)

He has led huge numbers of you into error. Why did you not use your intellect? (36:62)

When We grant long life to people, We return them to their primal state. So will you not use your intellect? (36:68)

And you pass by them in the daytime and at night. So will you not use your intellect? (37:137-138)

It is a Book We have sent down to you, full of blessing, so let people of intelligence ponder its Signs and take heed. (38:29)

We gave him back his family and the same again with them as a mercy from Us and a reminder for people of intellect. (38:43)

What of him who spends the night hours in prayer, prostrating and standing up, mindful of the hereafter, hoping for the mercy of his Lord? Say: 'Are they the same--those who know and

those who do not know?' It is only people of intelligence who pay heed. (39:9)

Those who listen well to what is said and follow the best of it, they are the ones whom Allah has guided, they are the people of intelligence. (39:18)

Do you not see that Allah sends down water from the sky and threads it through the earth to emerge as springs and then by it brings forth crops of varying colours, which then wither and you see them turning yellow and then He makes them into broken stubble? There is a reminder in that for people of intelligence. (39:21)

We gave Musa the guidance and bequeathed the Book to the tribe of Israel, as guidance and a reminder for people of intelligence. (40:53-54)

It is He Who created you from earth, then from a drop of sperm, then from a clot of blood, then He brings you out as infants, then so you may achieve full strength, then so you may become old men--though some of you may die before that time--so that you may reach a predetermined age and so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (40:67)

We have made it an Arabic Qur'an so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (43:3)

And in the alternation of night and day and the provision Allah sends down from the sky, bringing the earth to life by it after it has died, and the varying direction of the winds, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (45:5)

As for those who call out to you from outside your private quarters, most of them do not use their intellect. (49:4)

Is it their intellects that direct them to say this or is it that they are an unbridled people? (52:32)

Know that Allah brings the earth to life after it was dead. We have made the Signs clear to you so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (57:17)

They will not fight against you all together as a group except in fortified towns or behind high walls. Their hostility towards each other is intense. They are full of bravado in each other's company. You consider them united but their hearts are scattered wide. That is because they are people who do not use their intellect. (59:14)

Allah has prepared a terrible punishment for them. So have fear of Allah, people of intelligence—those who believe—Allah has sent down a reminder to you. (65:10)

They will say, 'If only we had really listened and used our intellect, we would not have been Companions of the Blaze.' (67:10)

By the dawn and ten nights, and the even and odd, and the night when it travels on, is there not in that an oath for the intelligent? (89:1-5)

## **INTENTION**

Allah will not take you to task for inadvertent statements in your oaths, but He will take you to task for the intention your hearts have made. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (2:225)

## **INTERCESSION**

Have fear of a Day when no self will be able to compensate for another in any way. No intercession will be accepted from it, no ransom taken from it, and they will not be helped. (2:48, 2:123)

You who believe! Give away some of what We have provided for you before a Day arrives on which there is no trading, no close friendship and no intercession. It is the disbelievers who are the wrongdoers. (2:254)

Allah, there is no god but Him, the Living, the Self-Sustaining. He is not subject to drowsiness or sleep. Everything in the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. Who can intercede with Him except by His permission? He knows what is before them and what is behind them but they cannot grasp any of His knowledge save what He wills. His Footstool encompasses the heavens and the earth and their preservation does not tire Him. He is the Most High, the Magnificent. (2:255)

Warn by it those who fear they will be gathered to their Lord, having no protector or intercessor apart from Him, so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (6:51)

Abandon those who have turned their religion into a game and a diversion and who have been deluded by the life of this world. Remind by it lest a person is delivered up to destruction for what he has earned with no protector or interces-

sor besides Allah. Were he to offer every kind of compensation, it would not be accepted from him. Such people are delivered up to destruction for what they have earned. They will have scalding water to drink and a painful punishment because they disbelieved. (6:70)

'You have come to Us all alone just as We created you at first, leaving behind you everything We bestowed on you. We do not see your intercessors accompanying you, those you claimed were your partners with Allah. The link between you is cut. Those you made such claims for have forsaken you.' (6:94)

What are they waiting for but its fulfilment? The Day its fulfilment occurs, those who forgot it before will say, 'The Messengers of our Lord came with the Truth. Are there any intercessors to intercede for us, or can we be sent back so that we can do something other than what we did?' They have lost their own selves and what they invented has forsaken them. (7:53)

Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then established Himself firmly on the Throne. He directs the whole affair. No one can intercede except with His permission. That is Allah your Lord, so worship Him. Will you not pay heed? (10:3)

They worship, instead of Allah, what can neither harm them nor help them, saying, 'These are our intercessors with Allah.' Say: 'Would you inform Allah of something about which He does not know either in the heavens or on the earth?' May He be glorified and exalted above what they associate with Him! (10:18)

They have no right of intercession. None do but those who have a contract with the All-Merciful. (19:87)

On that Day intercession will not be of any use except for him whom the All-Merciful has authorised and with whose speech He is well-pleased. (20:109)

He knows what is in front of them and what is behind them. They only intercede on behalf of those with whom He is pleased, and even they are apprehensive out of fear of Him. (21:28)

(They will say), 'And now we have no one to intercede for us.' (26:100)

None of their partner-gods will intercede for them. They will reject their partner-gods. (30:13) Allah is He Who created the heavens and the earth and everything between them in six days and then established Himself firmly upon the Throne. You have no protector or intercessor apart from Him. So will you not pay heed? (32:4) Intercession with Him will be of no benefit except from someone who has His permission. So that when the terror has left their hearts they will say, 'What did your Lord say?' They will say, 'The truth. He is the All-High, the Most Great.' (34:23) (A man from the far side of the city said,) 'Am I to take as gods instead of Him those whose intercession, if the All-Merciful desires harm for me, will not help me at all and cannot save me?' (36:23)

Or have they adopted intercessors besides Allah? Say: 'Even though they do not control a thing and have no awareness?' Say: 'Intercession is entirely Allah's affair. The kingdom of the heavens and earth is His. Then you will be returned to Him.' (39:43-44)

And warn them of the Day of Immediacy when hearts rise choking to the throat. The wrongdoers will have no close friend nor any intercessor who might be heard. (40:18)

Those you call upon apart from Him possess no power of intercession—only those who bore witness to the truth and have full knowledge. (43:86)

And how many angels there are in the heavens whose intercession is of no benefit at all until Allah has authorised those He wills and is pleased with them! (53:26)

The intercession of the interceders will not help them. (74:48)

### **INTERPRETATION**

It is He Who sent down the Book to you from Him: verses containing clear judgements—they are the core of the Book—and others which are open to interpretation. Those with deviation in their hearts follow what is open to interpretation in it, desiring conflict, seeking its inner meaning. No one knows its inner meaning but Allah. Those firmly rooted in knowledge say, 'We be-

lieve in it. All of it is from our Lord.' But only people of intelligence pay heed. (3:7)

The King declared, 'I dreamt of seven fat cows which seven thin ones ate and seven green ears of wheat and seven others which were dry. O counsellors! Explain my dream to me if you are those who can interpret visions!' (12:43)

He (Yusuf) raised his parents up onto the throne. The others fell prostrate in front of him. He said, 'My father, truly this is now the interpretation of the dream I had. My Lord has made it all come true; and He was kind to me by letting me out of prison and brought you from the desert when Satan had caused dissent between me and my brothers. My Lord is kind to anyone He wills. He is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise.' (12:100)

### **INTIMATE**

You who believe! Do not take any outside yourselves as intimates. They will do anything to harm you. They love what causes you distress. Hatred has appeared out of their mouths, but what their breasts hide is far worse. We have made the Signs clear to you if you use your intellect. (3:118)

Or did you suppose that you would be left without Allah knowing those of you who have strived and who have not taken anyone as their intimate friends besides Allah and His Messenger and the believers? Allah is aware of what you do. (9:16)

### **IRAM**

(Do you not see what your Lord did with) Iram of the Columns? (89:7)

### **IRON**

Such is the iron grip of your Lord when He seizes the cities which do wrong. His grip is painful, violent. (11:102)

If you are surprised at their blindness, what could be more surprising than their words: 'What, when we are turned to dust, shall we then be created all anew?' These are the people who reject their Lord. Such people have iron collars round their necks. Such people are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (13:5)

Say: 'It would not matter if you were rock or iron

or indeed any created thing that you think is harder still! They will say, 'Who will bring us back again?' Say: 'He Who brought you into being in the first place.' They will shake their heads at you and ask, 'When will it happen?' Say: 'It may well be that it is very near.' (17:50-51) (Dhu'l-Qarnayn said,) 'Bring me ingots of iron!' Then, when he had made it level between the two high mountain-sides, he said, 'Blow!' and when he had made it a red hot fire, he said, 'Bring me molten brass to pour over it.' (18:96) And (in hell) they will be beaten with cudgels made of iron. (22:21)

We gave Dawud great favour from Us: 'O mountains and birds! Echo with him in his praise!' And We made iron malleable for him. (34:10)

Those deemed weak will say to those deemed great, 'No, it was your scheming night and day when you commanded us to reject Allah and assign equals to Him.' But they will show their remorse when they see the punishment. We will put iron collars round the necks of those who disbelieve. Will they be repaid for anything but what they did? (34:33)

We have put iron collars round their necks reaching up to the chin, so that their heads are forced back. (36:8)

We sent Our Messengers with the Clear Signs and sent down the Book and the Balance with them so that mankind might establish justice. And We sent down iron in which there lies great force and which has many uses for mankind, so that Allah might know those who help Him and His Messengers in the Unseen. Allah is All-Strong, Almighty. (57:25)

## IRRIGATION

He (Musa) said, 'He says it should be a cow not trained to plough or irrigate the fields—completely sound, without a blemish on it.' They said, 'Now you have brought the truth.' So they sacrificed it—but they almost did not do it. (2:71)

## 'ISA (AS) (JESUS)

We gave Musa the Book and sent a succession of Messengers after him. We gave 'Isa, son of Maryam, the Clear Signs and reinforced him with

the Purest Spirit. Why then, whenever a Messenger came to you with something your lower selves did not desire, did you grow arrogant, and deny some of them and murder others? (2:87)

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and 'Isa were given, and what all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:136)

These Messengers: We favoured some of them over others. Allah spoke directly to some of them and raised up some of them in rank. We gave Clear Signs to 'Isa, son of Maryam, and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. If Allah had willed, those who came after them would not have fought each other after the Clear Signs came to them, but they differed. Among them there are those who believe and among them there are those who disbelieve. If Allah had willed, they would not have fought each other. But Allah does whatever He desires. (2:253)

When the angels said, 'Maryam, your Lord gives you good news of a Word from Him. His name is the Messiah, 'Isa, son of Maryam, of high esteem in this world and the hereafter, and one of those brought near. He will speak to people in the cradle, and also when fully grown, and will be one of the righteous,' she said, 'My Lord! How can I have a son when no man has ever touched me?' He said, 'It will be so.' Allah creates whatever He wills. When He decides on something, He just says to it, 'Be!' and it is. He will teach him the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel, as a Messenger to the tribe of Israel, saying: 'I have brought you a Sign from your Lord. I will create the shape of a bird out of clay for you and then breathe into it and it will be a bird by Allah's permission. I will heal the blind and the leper, and bring the dead to life, by Allah's permission. I will tell you what you eat and what you store up in your homes. There is a Sign for you in that if you are believers. I come confirming the Torah I find already there, and to make lawful for you some of what was previously for-

bidden to you. I have brought you a Sign from your Lord. So have fear of Allah and obey me. Allah is my Lord and your Lord so worship Him. That is a straight path.' When 'Isa sensed disbelief on their part, he said, 'Who will be my helpers to Allah?' The disciples said, 'We are Allah's helpers. We believe in Allah. Bear witness that we are Muslims. Our Lord, we believe in what You have sent down and have followed the Messenger, so write us down among the witnesses.' They plotted and Allah plotted. But Allah is the best of plotters. When Allah said, "Isa, I will take you back and raise you up to Me and purify you of those who disbelieve. And I will place the people who follow you above those who disbelieve until the Day of Rising. Then you will all return to Me, and I will judge between you regarding the things about which you differed.' (3:45-55)

The likeness of 'Isa in Allah's sight is the same as Adam. He created him from earth and then He said to him, 'Be!' and he was. It is the truth from your Lord so do not be among the doubters. (3:59-60)

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim, Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and 'Isa and all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (3:84)

Because of the fact that they broke their covenant, and rejected Allah's Signs, and killed the Prophets without any right to do so and said, 'Our hearts are uncircumcised,' Allah has stamped them with disbelief, so they do not believe except for very few. And on account of their disbelief, and their utterance of a monstrous slander against Maryam, and their saying, 'We killed the Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, Messenger of Allah.' They did not kill him and they did not crucify him but it was made to seem so to them. Those who argue about him are in doubt about it. They have no real knowledge of it, just conjecture. But they certainly did not kill him. Allah raised him up to Himself. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. There is not one of the People of the Book

who will not believe in him before he dies; and on the Day of Rising he will be a witness against them. (4:155-159)

We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh and the Prophets who came after him. And We revealed to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and 'Isa and Ayyub and Yunus and Harun and Sulayman. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (4:163)

People of the Book! Do not go to excess in your religion. Say nothing but the truth about Allah. The Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, was only the Messenger of Allah and His Word, which He cast into Maryam, and a Spirit from Him. So believe in Allah and His Messengers. Do not say, 'Three.' It is better that you stop. Allah is only One God. He is too Glorious to have a son! Everything in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Him. Allah suffices as a Guardian. The Messiah would never disdain to be a servant to Allah nor would the angels near to Him. If any do disdain to worship Him, and grow arrogant, He will in any case gather them all to Him. (4:171-172)

Those who say, 'Allah is the Messiah, son of Maryam,' are disbelievers. Say: 'Who possesses any power at all over Allah if He desires to destroy the Messiah, son of Maryam, and his mother, and everyone else on earth?' The kingdom of the heavens and the earth and everything between them belongs to Allah. He creates whatever He wills. Allah has power over all things. (5:17)

And We sent 'Isa son of Maryam following in their footsteps, confirming the Torah that came before him. We gave him the Gospel containing guidance and light, confirming the Torah that came before it, and as guidance and admonition for those who guard against evil. (5:46)

Those who say that the Messiah, son of Maryam, is Allah are disbelievers. The Messiah said, 'Tribe of Israel! Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord. If anyone associates anything with Allah, Allah has forbidden him the Garden and his refuge will be the Fire.' The wrongdoers will have no helpers. Those who say that Allah is the third of three are disbelievers. There is no god but One God. If they do not stop saying what they say, a

painful punishment will afflict those among them who disbelieve. Why do they not turn to Allah and ask for His forgiveness? Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. The Messiah, the son of Maryam, was only a Messenger, before whom other Messengers came and went. His mother was a woman of truth. Both of them ate food. See how We make the Signs clear to them! Then see how they are perverted! (5:72-75)

Those among the tribe of Israel who disbelieved were cursed on the tongue of Dawud and that of 'Isa, son of Maryam. That is because they rebelled and overstepped the limits. (5:78)

Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to your mother when I reinforced you with the Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth the dead by My permission; and when I held back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but down-right magic"; and when I inspired the Disciples to believe in Me and in My Messenger, they said, "We believe. Bear witness that we are Muslims." And when the Disciples said, "Isa son of Maryam! Can your Lord send down a table to us out of heaven?" He said, 'Have fear of Allah if you are believers!' They said, 'We want to eat from it and for our hearts to be at peace and to know that you have told us the truth and to be among those who witness it.' Isa son of Maryam said, 'Allah, our Lord, send down a table to us out of heaven to be a feast for us, for the first and last of us, and as a Sign from You. Provide for us! You are the Best of Providers!' Allah said, 'I will send it down to you but if anyone among you disbelieves after that, I will punish him with a punishment the like of which I will not inflict on anyone else in all the worlds!' And when Allah says, "Isa son of Maryam! Did you say to people,

"Take me and my mother as gods besides Allah?" he will say, 'Glory be to You! It is not for me to say what I have no right to say! If I had said it, then You would have known it. You know what is in my self but I do not know what is in Your Self. You are the Knower of all unseen things. I said to them nothing but what You ordered me to say: "Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord." I was a witness against them as long as I remained among them, but when You took me back to You, You were the One watching over them. You are Witness of all things. If You punish them, they are Your servants. If you forgive them, You are the Almighty, the All-Wise.' (5:110-118)

And Zakariyya, Yahya, 'Isa and Ilyas. All of them were among the righteous. (6:85)

The Jews say, "Uzayr is the son of Allah," and the Christians say, 'The Messiah is the son of Allah.' That is what they say with their mouths, copying the words of those who disbelieved before. Allah fight them! How perverted they are! They have taken their rabbis and monks as lords besides Allah, and also the Messiah, son of Maryam. Yet they were commanded to worship only one God. There is no god but Him! Glory be to Him above anything they associate with Him! (9:30-31)

Mention Maryam in the Book, how she withdrew from her people to an eastern place, and veiled herself from them. Then We sent Our Spirit to her and it took on for her the form of a handsome, well-built man. She said, 'I seek refuge from you with the All-Merciful if you guard against evil.' He said, 'I am only your Lord's messenger so that He can give you a pure boy.' She said, 'How can I have a boy when no man has touched me and I am not an unchaste woman?' He said, 'It will be so! Your Lord says, "That is easy for Me. It is so that We can make him a Sign for mankind and a mercy from Us." It is a matter already decreed.' So she conceived him and withdrew with him to a distant place. The pains of labour drove her to the trunk of a date-palm. She said, 'Oh if only I had died before this time and was something discarded and forgotten!' A voice called out to her from under her, 'Do not grieve! Your Lord has placed a small stream at your feet. Shake the trunk of the palm towards you and fresh, ripe

dates will drop down onto you. Eat and drink and delight your eyes. If you should see anyone at all, just say, "I have made a vow of abstinence to the All-Merciful and today I will not speak to any human being." She brought him to her people, carrying him. They said, 'Maryam! You have done an unthinkable thing! Sister of Harun, your father was not an evil man nor was your mother an unchaste woman!' She pointed towards him. They said, 'How can a baby in the cradle speak?' He said, 'I am the servant of Allah, He has given me the Book and made me a Prophet. He has made me blessed wherever I am and directed me to perform prayer and give the alms as long as I live, and to show devotion to my mother. He has not made me insolent or arrogant. Peace be upon me the day I was born, and the day I die and the day I am raised up again alive.' That is 'Isa, son of Maryam, the word of truth about which they are in doubt. It is not fitting for Allah to have a son. Glory be to Him! When He decides on something, He just says to it, 'Be!' and it is. (19:16-35) And We made the son of Maryam and his mother a Sign and gave them shelter on a mountainside where there was a meadow and a flowing spring. (23:50)

When We made a covenant with all the Prophets—with you and with Nuh and Ibrahim and Musa and 'Isa son of Maryam—We made a binding covenant with them. (33:7)

He has laid down the same religion for you as He enjoined on Nuh: that which We have revealed to you and which We enjoined on Ibrahim, Musa and 'Isa: 'Establish the religion and do not make divisions in it.' What you call the idolaters to follow is very hard for them. Allah chooses for Himself anyone He wills and guides to Himself those who turn to Him. (42:13)

When an example is made of the son of Maryam your people laugh uproariously. They retort, 'Who is better then, our gods or him?' They only say this to you for argument's sake. They are indeed a disputatious people. He is only a servant on whom We bestowed Our blessing and whom We made an example for the tribe of Israel. If We wished We could appoint angels in exchange for you to succeed you on the earth. He is a Sign of

the Hour. Have no doubt about it. But follow me. This is a straight path. Do not let Satan bar your way. He truly is an outright enemy to you. And when 'Isa came with the Clear Signs, he said, 'I have come to you with Wisdom and to clarify for you some of the things about which you have differed. Therefore have fear of Allah and obey me. Allah is my Lord and your Lord so worship Him. This is a straight path.' The various factions among them differed. Woe then to those who did wrong on account of the punishment of a painful Day! (43:57-65)

Then We sent Our Messengers following in their footsteps and sent 'Isa son of Maryam after them, giving him the Gospel. We put compassion and mercy in the hearts of those who followed him. They invented monasticism—We did not prescribe it for them—purely out of desire to gain the pleasure of Allah, but even so they did not observe it as it should have been observed. To those of them who believed We gave their reward but many of them are deviators. (57:27)

And when 'Isa son of Maryam said, 'Tribe of Israel, I am the Messenger of Allah to you, confirming the Torah which came before me and giving you the good news of a Messenger after me whose name is Ahmad.' When he brought them the Clear Signs, they said, 'This is downright magic.' (61:6)

You who believe! Be helpers of Allah as 'Isa son of Maryam said to the Disciples, 'Who will be my helpers to Allah?' The Disciples said, 'We will be the helpers of Allah.' One faction of the tribe of Israel believed and the other disbelieved. So We supported those who believed against their enemy and they became victorious. (61:14)

### ISHAQ (AS)

Or were you present when death came to Ya'qub and he said to his sons, 'What will you worship when I have gone?' They said, 'We will worship your God, the God of your forefathers, Ibrahim, Isma'il and Ishaq—one God. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:133)

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes,

and what Musa and ‘Isa were given, and what all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.’ (2:136)

Say, ‘We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim, Isma’il and Ishaq and Ya’qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and ‘Isa and all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.’ (3:84)

We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh and the Prophets who came after him. And We revealed to Ibrahim and Isma’il and Ishaq and Ya’qub and the Tribes, and ‘Isa and Ayyub and Yunus and Harun and Sulayman. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (4:163)

His wife was standing there and she laughed out loud. So We gave her the good news of Ishaq, and beyond Ishaq, Ya’qub. (11:71)

(Ya’qub said to Yusuf,) ‘Accordingly your Lord will pick you out and teach you the true meaning of events and perfectly fulfil His blessing on you as well as on the family of Ya’qub as He fulfilled it perfectly before upon your forebears, Ibrahim and Ishaq. Most certainly your Lord is Knowing, Wise.’ (12:6)

(Yusuf said,) ‘I hold fast to the creed of my forebears Ibrahim and Ishaq and Ya’qub. We don’t associate anything with Allah. And that is how Allah has favoured us and all mankind, but most do not give thanks.’ (12:38)

(Ibrahim said,) ‘Praise be to Allah Who, despite my old age, has given me Isma’il and Ishaq. My Lord is the Hearer of Prayer.’ (14:39)

And in addition to that We gave him Ishaq and Ya’qub and made both of them righteous. (21:72) We gave him the good news of Ishaq, a Prophet, one of the righteous. (37:112)

## ISLAM

You who believe! Enter Islam totally. Do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He is an outright enemy to you. (2:208)

The religion with Allah is Islam. Those given the Book only differed after knowledge had come to them, envying one another. As for those who re-

ject Allah’s Signs, Allah is swift at reckoning. (3:19)

If anyone desires anything other than Islam as a religion, it will not be accepted from him, and in the hereafter he will be among the losers. (3:85) Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and animals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviance. Today those who disbelieve have despaired of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3)

When Allah desires to guide someone, He expands his breast to Islam. When He desires to misguide someone, He makes his breast narrow and constricted as if he were climbing up into the sky. That is how Allah defiles those who have no faith. (6:125)

They swear by Allah that they said nothing, but they definitely spoke the word of disbelief and returned to disbelief after their Islam. They planned something which they did not achieve and they were vindictive for no other cause than that Allah and His Messenger had enriched them from His bounty. If they were to repent, it would be better for them. But if they turn away, Allah will punish them with a painful punishment in this world and the hereafter, and they will not find any protector or helper on the earth. (9:74)

Is he whose breast is opened to Islam, and who is therefore illuminated by his Lord...? Woe to those whose hearts are hardened against the remembrance of Allah! Such people are clearly misguided. (39:22)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents a lie against Allah when he has been called

to Islam? Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (61:7)

### **ISMA'IL (AS)**

And when We made the House (Kaaba) a place of return, a sanctuary for mankind: They took the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray) as a place of prayer. We contracted with Ibrahim and Isma'il: 'Purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stay there, and those who bow and who prostrate.' (2:125)

And when Ibrahim built the foundations of the House with Isma'il: 'Our Lord, accept this from us! You are the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing.' (2:127)

Or were you present when death came to Ya'qub and he said to his sons, 'What will you worship when I have gone?' They said, 'We will worship your God, the God of your forefathers, Ibrahim, Isma'il and Ishaq—one God. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:133)

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and 'Isa were given, and what all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:136)

Or do they say that Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes were Jews or Christians?

Say, 'Do you know better or does Allah?' Who could do greater wrong than someone who hides the evidence he has been given by Allah? Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:140)

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim, Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and 'Isa and all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (3:84)

We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh and the Prophets who came after him. And We revealed to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and 'Isa and Ayyub and Yunus and Harun and Sulayman. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (4:163)

And Isma'il, al-Yasa', Yunus and Lut. All of them

We favoured over all beings. (6:86)  
(Ibrahim said,) 'Praise be to Allah Who, despite my old age, has given me Isma'il and Ishaq. My Lord is the Hearer of Prayer.' (14:39)

Mention Isma'il in the Book. He was true to his promise and was a Messenger and a Prophet. He used to command his people to perform prayer and give the alms and he was pleasing to his Lord. (19:54-55)

And Isma'il and Idris and Dhu'l-Kifl—each one was among the steadfast. (21:85)

Remember Our servants Isma'il, Al-Yasa' and Dhu'l-Kifl; each of them was among the best of men. (38:48)

### **ISRAEL**

All food was lawful for the tribe of Israel except what Israel made unlawful for himself before the Torah was sent down. Say, 'Bring the Torah and read it out if you are telling the truth.' (3:93)

Those are some of the Prophets Allah has blessed, from the descendants of Adam and from those We carried with Nuh, and from the descendants of Ibrahim and Isra'il and from those We guided and chose. When the Signs of the All-Merciful were recited to them they fell on their faces, weeping, in prostration. (19:58)

### **ITIKAAF**

On the night of the fast it is lawful for you to have sexual relations with your wives. They are clothing for you and you for them. Allah knows that you have been betraying yourselves and He has turned towards you and excused you. Now you may have sexual intercourse with them and seek what Allah has written for you. Eat and drink until you can clearly discern the white thread from the black thread of the dawn, then fulfil the fast until the night appears. But do not have sexual intercourse with them while you are in retreat in the mosques. These are Allah's limits, so do not go near them. In this way does Allah make His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (Qur'an, 2:187)

The angels called out to him while he (Zakariyya) was standing in prayer in the Upper Room: 'Allah gives you the good news of Yahya, who will come

to confirm a Word from Allah, and will be a leader and a celibate, a Prophet and one of the righteous.' (Qur'an, 3:39)

They are not all the same. There is a community among the People of the Book who are upright. They recite Allah's Signs throughout the night, and they prostrate. (Qur'an, 3:113)

**"IT IS AS ALLAH WILLS"**

**(MASHA'LLAH)**

(His companion said to him,) 'Why, when you entered your garden, did you not say, "It is as Allah wills, there is no strength but in Allah"? Though you see me with less wealth and children than you possess,' (18:39)

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**JACOB (SEE YA'QUB (AS))**

**JAHANNAM (SEE HELL)**

**JALUT (SEE GOLIATH)**

**JANNAH (SEE THE GARDEN)**

**JESUS (SEE 'ISA (AS))**

## **JEW**

Those with faith, those who are Jews, and the Christians and Sabaeans, all who believe in Allah and the Last Day and act rightly, will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:62)

They say, 'No one will enter the Garden except for Jews and Christians.' Such is their vain hope. Say, 'Produce your evidence if you are telling the truth.' (2:111)

The Jews say, 'The Christians have nothing to stand on,' and the Christians say, 'The Jews have nothing to stand on,' yet they both recite the Book. Those who do not know say the same as they say. Allah will judge between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things about which they differ. (2:113)

The Jews and the Christians will never be pleased with you until you follow their religion. Say, 'Allah's guidance is the true guidance.' If you were to follow their whims and desires, after the knowledge that has come to you, you would find no protector or helper against Allah. (2:120)

They say, 'Be Jews or Christians and you will be guided.' Say, 'Rather adopt the religion of Ibrahim, a man of natural pure belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (2:135)

Or do they say that Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes were Jews or Christians? Say, 'Do you know better or does Allah?' Who could do greater wrong than someone who hides the evidence he has been given by Allah? Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:140)

Ibrahim was neither a Jew nor a Christian but a

man of pure natural belief—a Muslim. He was not one of the idolaters. (3:67)

Some of the Jews distort the true meaning of words, saying, 'We hear and disobey,' and 'Listen without listening,' and 'Listen to us!' twisting them with their tongues, disparaging the religion. If they had said, 'We hear and we obey,' and 'Listen,' and, 'Look at us!' that would have been better for them and more upright. But Allah has cursed them for their disbelief. Very few of them believe. (4:46)

Because of wrongdoing on the part of the Jews, We made forbidden for them some good things which had previously been lawful for them; and because of their obstructing many people from the Way of Allah, and because of their practising usury when they were forbidden to do it, and because of their consuming people's wealth by wrongful means, We have prepared for the disbelievers among them a painful punishment. (4:160-161)

The Jews and Christians say, 'We are Allah's children and His loved ones.' Say: 'Why, then, does He punish you for your wrong actions? No, you are merely human beings among those He has created. He forgives whoever He wills and He punishes whoever He wills. The kingdom of the heavens and the earth and everything between them belongs to Allah. He is our final destination.' (5:18)

O Messenger! Do not be grieved by those who rush headlong into disbelief among those who say 'We believe' with their tongues when their hearts contain no faith. And among the Jews are those who listen to lies, listening to other people who have not come to you, distorting words from their proper meanings, saying, 'If you are given this, then take it. If you are not given it, then beware!' If Allah desires misguidance for someone, you cannot help him against Allah in any way. Those are the people whose hearts Allah does not want to purify. They will have disgrace in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (5:41)

We sent down the Torah containing guidance and light, and the Prophets who had submitted themselves gave judgement by it for the Jews—as

did their scholars and their rabbis—by what they had been allowed to preserve of Allah's Book to which they were witnesses. Do not be afraid of people, be afraid of Me. And do not sell My Signs for a paltry price. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are disbelievers. (5:44)

You who believe! Do not take the Jews and Christians as your friends; they are the friends of one another. Any of you who takes them as friends is one of them. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (5:51)

The Jews say, 'Allah's hand is chained.' Their hands are chained and they are cursed for what they say! No! Both His hands are open wide and He gives however He wills. What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of them in insolence and disbelief. We have incited enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising. Each time they kindle the fire of war, Allah extinguishes it. They rush about the earth corrupting it. Allah does not love corrupters. (5:64)

Those who believe and those who are Jews and the Sabaeans and the Christians, all who believe in Allah and the Last Day and act rightly will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (5:69)

You will find that the people most hostile to those who believe are the Jews and the idolaters. You will find the people most affectionate to those who believe are those who say, 'We are Christians.' That is because some of them are priests and monks and because they are not arrogant. (5:82)

We made forbidden for the Jews every animal with an undivided hoof, and in respect of cattle and sheep, We made their fat forbidden for them, except what is attached to their backs or guts or mixed up with bone. That is how We repaid them for their insolence. And We certainly speak the truth. (6:146)

The Jews say, "Uzayr is the son of Allah," and the Christians say, "The Messiah is the son of Allah." That is what they say with their mouths, copying the words of those who disbelieved before. Allah fight them! How perverted they are! (9:30)

We forbade the Jews those things We told you

about before. We did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (16:118)

As for those who believe and those who are Jews and the Sabaeans and the Christians, Magians and idolaters, Allah will distinguish between them on the Day of Rising. Allah is witness of all things. (22:17)

Say: 'You Jews, if you claim to be the friends of Allah to the exclusion of all other people, then wish for death if you are telling the truth.' (62:6)

### **JEWELLERY**

He sends down water from the sky and river-beds fill up and flow according to their size, and the floodwater carries with it an increasing layer of scum; a similar kind of scum comes from what you heat up in the fire, when you desire to make jewellery or other things. That is how Allah depicts the true and the false. As for the scum, it is quickly swept away. But as for that which is of use to people, it remains behind in the ground. That is a metaphor which Allah has made. (13:17)

They said, 'We did not break our promise to you of our own volition. But we were weighed down with the heavy loads of the people's jewelry and we threw them in, for that is what the Samaritan did.' (20:87)

### **JIBRIL (SEE GABRIEL)**

### **JIHAD (SEE STRIVING IN THE WAY OF ALLAH; SEE FIGHTING)**

### **JINN**

Yet they make the jinn co-partners with Allah when He created them! And they attribute sons and daughters to Him without any knowledge. Glory be to Him! He is far above what they describe! (6:100)

In this way We have appointed as enemies to every Prophet Satans from both mankind and from the jinn, who inspire each other with delusions by means of specious words—if your Lord had willed, they would not have done it, so abandon them and all they fabricate. (6:112)

On the Day We gather them all together:

'Company of jinn, you gained many followers among mankind.' And their friends among mankind will say, 'Our Lord, we benefited from one another, and now we have reached the term which You determined for us.' He will say, 'The Fire is your home. You will be in it timelessly, for ever, except as Allah wills. Your Lord is All-Wise, All-Knowing.' (6:128)

Company of jinn and men! Did not Messengers come to you from among yourselves relating My Signs to you and warning you of the encounter of this Day of yours? They will say, 'We testify against ourselves.' The life of this world deluded them and they will testify against themselves that they were disbelievers. (6:130)

He will say, 'Enter the Fire together with the nations of jinn and men who have passed away before you.' Each time a nation enters, it will curse its sister nation, until, when they are all gathered together in it, the last of them will say to the first, 'Our Lord, those are the ones who misguided us, so give them a double punishment in the Fire.' He will say, 'Each will receive double. But you do not know it.' (7:38)

We created many of the jinn and mankind for Hell. They have hearts they do not understand with. They have eyes they do not see with. They have ears they do not hear with. Such people are like cattle. No, they are even further astray! They are the unaware. (7:179)

If your Lord had wanted to, He would have made mankind into one community but they persist in their differences, except for those your Lord has mercy on. That is what He created them for--so that the Word of your Lord would be fulfilled: 'I will fill up Hell with the jinn and mankind all together.' (11:118-119)

We created the jinn before out of the fire of a searing wind. (15:27)

Say: 'If both men and jinn banded together to produce the like of this Qur'an, they could never produce anything like it, even if they backed each other up.' (17:88)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam,' they prostrated with the exception of Diabolus. He was one of the jinn and wantonly deviated from his Lord's command. Do

you take him and his offspring as protectors apart from Me when they are your enemy? How evil is the exchange the wrongdoers make! (18:50)

Sulayman's troops, made up of jinn and men and birds, were assembled for him, paraded in tight ranks. (27:17)

A demon of the jinn said, 'I will bring it to you before you get up from your seat. I am strong and trustworthy enough to do it.' (27:39)

'Had We so willed We could have given guidance to everyone, but now My Words are shown to be true: that I shall fill up Hell entirely with jinn and human beings.' (32:13)

And We gave Sulayman power over the wind--a month's journey in the morning and a month in the afternoon. And We made a fountain of molten brass flow out for him. And some of the jinn worked in front of him by his Lord's permission. And if a single one of them deviates at all from Our command, We let him taste the punishment of the Searing Blaze. (34:12)

Then when We decreed that he (Sulayman) should die, nothing divulged his death to them except the worm which ate his staff; so that when he fell down it was made clear to the jinn that if they had truly had knowledge of the Unseen they need not have stayed there suffering humiliating punishment. (34:14)

They will say, 'Glory be to You! You are our Protector, not them. No, they were worshipping the jinn. They mostly had faith in them.' (34:41) They claim there is a blood-tie between Him and the jinn but the jinn know very well that they will be arraigned. (37:158)

We have assigned close comrades to them who have made what is before them and behind them seem good to them. And the statement about the nations, both of jinn and men, who passed away before them has proved true of them as well. Certainly they were lost. (41:25)

Those who disbelieve say, 'Our Lord, show us those jinn and men who misguided us and we will place them beneath our feet so that they will be among the lowest of the low.' (41:29)

Those are people of whom the statement about the nations, both of jinn and men, who passed away before them, has also proved true; truly

they were the lost. (46:18)

And We diverted a group of jinn towards you to listen to the Qur'an. When they were in earshot of it they said, 'Be quiet and listen.' When it was over they went back to their people, warning them. They said, 'Our people, we have heard a Book which was sent down after Musa, confirming what came before it, guiding to the truth and to a straight path.' (46:29-30)

I only created jinn and man to worship Me. (51:56)

And He created the jinn from a fusion of fire. (55:15)

Company of jinn and men, if you are able to pierce through the confines of the heavens and earth, pierce through them. You will not pierce through except with a clear authority. (55:33)

That Day no man or jinn will be asked about his sin. (55:39)

In them are maidens with eyes for them alone, untouched before them by either man or jinn. (55:56)

(Maidens) untouched before them by either man or jinn. (55:74)

Say: 'It has been revealed to me that a band of the jinn listened and said, "We have heard a most amazing Recitation. It leads to right guidance so we believe in it and will not associate anyone with our Lord. He-exalted be the Majesty of our Lord!-has neither wife nor son. The fools among us have uttered a vile slander against Allah. We did not think it possible for either man or jinn to tell a lie against Allah. Certain men from among mankind used to seek refuge with certain men from among the jinn but they increased them in wickedness. They thought-as you also think-that Allah would never raise up anyone. We tried, as usual, to travel to heaven in search of news but found it filled with fierce guards and meteors. We used to sit there on special seats to listen in. But anyone listening now finds a fiery meteor in wait for him. We have no idea whether evil is intended for those on the earth, or whether their Lord intends them to be rightly guided. Among us there are some who are righteous and some who are other than that. We follow many different paths. We realised we would never thwart

Allah on earth and would never thwart Him by flight, and when we heard the guidance, we believed in it. Anyone who believes in his Lord need fear neither belittlement nor tyranny. Some of us are Muslims and some are deviators. Those who have become Muslim are those who sought right guidance; the deviators will be firewood for Hellfire.'" (72:1-15)

Say: 'I seek refuge with the Lord of mankind, the King of mankind, the God of mankind, from the evil of the insidious whisperer who whispers in people's breasts and comes from the jinn and from mankind.' (114:1-6)

### **JIZYA (SEE POLL TAX)**

### **JOB (SEE AYYUB (AS))**

### **JOHN (SEE YAHYA (AS))**

### **JONAH (SEE YUNUS (AS))**

### **JOSEPH (SEE YUSUF (AS))**

### **JOURNEY**

(Fasting is prescribed) for a specified number of days. But any of you who are ill or on a journey should fast a number of other days. For those who can (scarcely) afford it, making up for it means feeding a poor man. And if someone does good of his own accord, it is better for him. But that you should fast is better for you, if you only knew. (2:184)

If you are on a journey and cannot find a writer, something can be left as a security. If you leave things on trust with one another the one who is trusted must deliver up his trust and have fear of Allah his Lord. Do not conceal testimony. If someone does conceal it, his heart commits a crime. Allah knows what you do. (2:283)

You who believe! Do not approach the prayer when you are drunk, so that you will know what you are saying, nor in a state of major impurity-unless you are travelling-until you have washed yourselves completely. If you are ill or on a journey, or any of you have come from the lavatory or touched women, and you cannot find

any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, wiping your faces and your hands. Allah is Ever-Pardoning, Ever-Forgiving. (4:43)

You who believe! When you get up to perform prayer, wash your faces and your hands and your arms to the elbows, and wipe over your heads, and (wash) your feet to the ankles. If you are in a state of major impurity, then purify yourselves. But if you are ill or on a journey, or have come from the lavatory, or have touched women, and cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, and wipe your faces and your hands therewith. Allah does not want to make things difficult for you, but He does want to purify you and to perfect His blessing upon you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:6)

## JOY

(Believers are) those who say, 'Our Lord, give us joy in our wives and children and make us a good example for those who guard against evil'; (25:74)

As for those who believed and did right actions, they will be made joyful in a verdant meadow. (30:15)

The Companions of the Garden are busy enjoying themselves today, (36:55)

'Enter the Garden, you and your wives, delighting in your joy.' (43:70)

So Allah has safeguarded them from the evil of that Day and has made them meet with radiance and pure joy. (76:11)

As for him who is given his Book in his right hand, he will be given an easy reckoning and return to his family joyfully. (84:7-9)

He used to be joyful in his family. (84:13)

## JUDGE

Do not devour one another's property by false means nor offer it to the judges as a bribe, trying through crime to knowingly usurp a portion of other people's property. (2:188)

Do you not see those who have been given a portion of the Book being invited to let Allah's Book be the judge between them? But then a group of them turn away. (3:23)

No, by your Lord, they are not believers until

they make you their judge in the disputes that break out between them, and then find no resistance within themselves to what you decide and submit themselves completely. (4:65)

How can they make you their judge when they have the Torah with them which contains the judgement of Allah? Then even after that they turn their backs! Such people are certainly not believers. (5:43)

'Am I to desire someone other than Allah as a judge when it is He Who has sent down the Book to you clarifying everything?' Those We have given the Book know it has been sent down from your Lord with truth, so on no account be among the doubters. (6:114)

(Shu'ayb said to his people,) 'There is a group of you who believe in what I have been sent with and a group who do not, so be steadfast until Allah judges between us. He is the best of judges.' (7:87) (Shu'ayb said,) 'We would be inventing lies against Allah if we returned to your religion after Allah has saved us from it. We could never return to it unless Allah our Lord so willed. Our Lord encompasses everything in His knowledge. We have put our trust in Allah. Our Lord, judge between us and our people with truth. You are the best of judges.' (7:89)

Follow what has been revealed to you and be steadfast until Allah's judgement comes. He is the Best of Judges. (10:109)

Nuh called out to his Lord and said, 'My Lord, my son is one of my family and Your promise is surely the truth and You are the Justest of Judges.' (11:45) When they despaired of him, they went apart to talk alone. The eldest of them (Yusuf's brothers) said, 'You know full well your father had you make a covenant with Allah concerning this, and how before you failed him with Yusuf. I will not leave this land until I have permission from my father, or Allah decides about the case on my behalf. Truly He is the justest Judge of all.' (12:80)

Is Allah not the Justest of Judges? (95:8)

## TO JUDGE

The Jews say, 'The Christians have nothing to stand on,' and the Christians say, 'The Jews have nothing to stand on,' yet they both recite the

Book. Those who do not know say the same as they say. Allah will judge between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things about which they differ. (2:113)

When Allah said, "Isa, I will take you back and raise you up to Me and purify you of those who disbelieve. And I will place the people who follow you above those who disbelieve until the Day of Rising. Then you will all return to Me, and I will judge between you regarding the things about which you differed." (3:55)

Allah commands you to return to their owners the things you hold on trust and, when you judge between people, to judge with justice. How excellent is what Allah exhorts you to do! Allah is All-Hearing, All-Seeing. (4:58)

We have sent down the Book to you with the truth so that you can judge between people according to what Allah has shown to you. But do not be an advocate for the treacherous. (4:105) Those who anticipate the worst for you say, 'Were we not with you?' whenever you gain a victory from Allah, but if the disbelievers have a success they say, 'Did we not have the upper hand over you and yet in spite of that keep the believers away from you?' Allah will judge between you on the Day of Rising. Allah will not give the disbelievers any way against the believers. (4:141)

They are people who listen to lies and consume ill-gotten gains. If they come to you, you can either judge between them or turn away from them. If you turn away from them, they cannot harm you in any way. But if you do judge, judge between them justly. Allah loves the just. (5:42)

We sent down the Torah containing guidance and light, and the Prophets who had submitted themselves gave judgement by it for the Jews—as did their scholars and their rabbis—by what they had been allowed to preserve of Allah's Book to which they were witnesses. Do not be afraid of people, be afraid of Me. And do not sell My Signs for a paltry price. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are disbelievers. (5:44)

We prescribed for them in it: a life for a life, an eye for an eye, a nose for a nose, an ear for an

ear, a tooth for a tooth, and retaliation for wounds. But if anyone forgoes that as a charity, it will act as expiation for him. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are wrongdoers. (5:45)

The people of the Gospel should judge by what Allah sent down in it. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are deviators. (5:47)

And We have sent down the Book to you with truth, confirming and conserving the previous Books. So judge between them by what Allah has sent down and do not follow their whims and desires deviating from the Truth that has come to you. We have appointed a law and a practice for every one of you. Had Allah willed, He would have made you a single community, but He wanted to test you regarding what has come to you. So compete with each other in doing good. Every one of you will return to Allah and He will inform you regarding the things about which you differed. (5:48)

(Shu'ayb said to his people,) 'There is a group of you who believe in what I have been sent with and a group who do not, so be steadfast until Allah judges between us. He is the best of judges.' (7:87)

(Shu'ayb said,) 'We would be inventing lies against Allah if we returned to your religion after Allah has saved us from it. We could never return to it unless Allah our Lord so willed. Our Lord encompasses everything in His knowledge. We have put our trust in Allah. Our Lord, judge between us and our people with truth. You are the best of judges.' (7:89)

Do they not see how We come to the land eroding it at its extremities? Allah judges and there is no reversing His judgement. He is swift at reckoning. (13:41)

The Sabbath was only enjoined on those who differed about it. Your Lord will judge between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things about which they differed. (16:124)

Say: 'Lord, judge with truth! Our Lord is the All-Merciful, the One Whose help is sought in the face of what you describe.' (21:112)

Sovereignty on that Day will be Allah's. He will

judge between them. Those who believe and do right actions will be in Gardens of Delight. (22:56)

Allah will judge between you on the Day of Rising regarding everything about which you differed. (22:69)

When they are summoned to Allah and His Messenger, so that he can judge between them, a group of them immediately turn away. (24:48) The reply of the believers when they are summoned to Allah and His Messenger so that he can judge between them, is to say, 'We hear and we obey.' They are ones who are successful. (24:51)

Say: 'Our Lord will bring us all together and then will judge between us with the truth. He is the Just Decider, the All-Knowing.' (34:26)

And (litigants) came in on Dawud who was alarmed by them. They said, 'Do not be afraid. We are two litigants, one of whom has acted unjustly towards the other, so judge between us with truth and do not be unjust and guide us to the Right Path.' (38:22)

(We said), 'Dawud! We have made you a successor on the earth, so judge between people with truth and do not follow your own desires, letting them misguide you from the Way of Allah. Those who are misguided from the Way of Allah will receive a harsh punishment because they forgot the Day of Reckoning.' (38:26)

Indeed is the sincere religion not Allah's alone? If people take protectors besides Him-'We only worship them so that they may bring us nearer to Allah'-Allah will judge between them regarding the things about which they differed. Allah does not guide anyone who is an ungrateful liar. (39:3) Say: 'O Allah, Originator of the heavens and the earth, Knower of the Unseen and the Visible, You will judge between Your servants regarding what they differed about.' (39:46)

Allah will judge with truth; and those you call upon apart from Him will not judge with anything at all. It is Allah Who is the All-Hearing, the All-Seeing. (40:20)

You who believe! When women who believe come to you as emigrants, submit them to a test. Allah has best knowledge of their faith. If you

know they are believers, do not return them to the disbelievers. They are not lawful for the disbelievers nor are the disbelievers lawful for them. Give the disbelievers whatever dowry they paid. And there is nothing wrong in your marrying them provided you pay them their due. Do not hold to any marriage ties with women who disbelieve. Ask for what you paid and let them ask for what they paid. That is Allah's judgement. Allah will judge between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (60:10)

## JUDGEMENT

They are the ones to whom We gave the Book, Judgement and Prophethood. If these people reject it We have already entrusted it to a people who did not. (6:89)

'Yahya, take hold of the Book with vigour.' We gave him judgement while still a child. (19:12) (Musa said to Pharaoh,) 'And so I fled from you when I was in fear of you but my Lord gave me right judgement and made me one of the Messengers.' (26:21)

(Ibrahim said,) 'My Lord, give me right judgement and unite me with the righteous.' (26:83)

And when he (Musa) reached his full strength and maturity, We gave him judgement and knowledge. That is how We recompense good-doers. (28:14)

## AL-JUDI (SEE MOUNT AL-JUDI)

## JUMU'A (SEE FRIDAY)

## JUSTICE

It is prescribed for you, when death approaches one of you and if he has some goods to leave, to make a will in favour of his parents and relatives, correctly and fairly: a duty for all those who guard against evil. (2:180)

You who believe! When you take on a debt for a specified period, write it down. A writer should write it down between you justly. No writer should refuse to write; as Allah has taught him, so he should write. The one incurring the debt should dictate and should have fear of Allah his Lord and not reduce it in any way. If the person incurring the debt is incompetent or weak or un-

able to dictate, then his guardian should dictate for him justly. Two men among you should act as witnesses. But if there are not two men, then a man and two women with whom you are satisfied as witnesses; then if one of them forgets, the other can remind her. Witnesses should not refuse when they are called upon. Do not think it too trivial to write down, whether small or large, with the date that it falls due. Doing that is more just in Allah's sight and more helpful when bearing witness and more likely to eliminate any doubt—unless it is an immediate transaction hand to hand, taken and given without delay. There is nothing wrong in your not writing that down. Call witnesses when you trade. Neither writer nor witness should be put under pressure. If you do that, it is deviancy on your part. Have fear of Allah and Allah will give you knowledge. Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:282)

Allah bears witness that there is no god but Him, as do the angels and the people of knowledge, upholding justice. There is no god but Him, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (3:18)

As for those who reject Allah's Signs, and kill the Prophets without any right to do so, and kill those who command justice, give them news of a painful punishment. (3:21)

If you are afraid of not behaving justly towards orphans, then marry other permissible women, two, three or four. But if you are afraid of not treating them equally, then only one, or those you own as slaves. That makes it more likely that you will not be unfair. (4:3)

Allah commands you to return to their owners the things you hold on trust and, when you judge between people, to judge with justice. How excellent is what Allah exhorts you to do! Allah is All-Hearing, All-Seeing. (4:58)

They request from you a ruling concerning women. Say, 'Allah gives you a ruling about them; and also what is recited to you in the Book about orphan girls to whom you do not give the inheritance they are owed, while at the same time desiring to marry them; and also about young children who are denied their rights: that you should act justly with respect to orphans.' Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. (4:127)

You will not be able to be completely fair between your wives, however hard you try. But do not be completely partial so as to leave a wife, as it were, suspended in mid-air. And if you make amends and guard against evil, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:129)

You who believe! Be upholders of justice, bearing witness for Allah alone, even against yourselves or your parents and relatives. Whether they are rich or poor, Allah is well able to look after them. Do not follow your own desires and deviate from the truth. If you twist or turn away, Allah is aware of what you do. (4:135)

You who believe! Show integrity for the sake of Allah, bearing witness with justice. Do not let hatred for a people incite you into not being just. Be just. That is closer to heedfulness. Have fear of Allah. Allah is aware of what you do. (5:8)

They are people who listen to lies and consume ill-gotten gains. If they come to you, you can either judge between them or turn away from them. If you turn away from them, they cannot harm you in any way. But if you do judge, judge between them justly. Allah loves the just. (5:42)

You who believe! Do not kill game while you are in the state of pilgrimage. If one of you kills any deliberately, the reprisal for it is a livestock animal equivalent to what he killed, as judged by two just men among you, a sacrifice to reach the Kaaba, or expiation by feeding the poor, or fasting commensurate with that, so that he may taste the evil consequences of what he did. Allah has pardoned all that took place in the past; but if anyone does it again Allah will take revenge on him. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (5:95)

You who believe! When one of you is near to death and makes a will, two just men from among you should act as witnesses; or, if you are travelling when the misfortune of death occurs, two men who are strangers to you. You should detain them after prayer and, if you are doubtful, they should swear by Allah: 'We will not sell it for any price, even to a near relative, and we will not conceal the testimony of Allah. If we did we would indeed be wrongdoers.' (5:106)

The Words of your Lord are perfect in truthful-

ness and justice. No one can change His Words. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing. (6:115) And that you do not go near the property of orphans before they reach maturity—except in a good way; that you give full measure and full weight with justice—We impose on no self any more than it can bear; that you are equitable when you speak—even if a near relative is concerned; and that you fulfil Allah's contract. That is what He instructs you to do, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (6:152)

Say: 'My Lord has commanded justice. Stand and face Him in every mosque and call on Him, making your religion sincerely His. As He originated you, so you will return.' (7:29)

Among the people of Musa there is a group who guide by the truth and act justly in accordance with it. (7:159)

Among those We have created there is a community who guide by the Truth and act justly according to it. (7:181)

Each and every one of you will return to Him. Allah's promise is true. He brings creation out of nothing and then regenerates it so that he can repay with justice those who believed and did right actions. Those who disbelieved will have a drink of scalding water and a painful punishment because of their disbelief. (10:4)

Every nation has a Messenger and when their Messenger comes everything is decided between them justly. They are not wronged. (10:47)

If every self that did wrong possessed everything on earth, it would offer it as a ransom. They will show remorse when they see the punishment. Everything will be decided between them justly. They will not be wronged. (10:54)

My people! Give full measure and full weight with justice; do not diminish people's goods; and do not go about the earth, corrupting it. (11:85)

Allah makes another metaphor: two men, one of them deaf and dumb, unable to do anything, a burden on his master, no matter where he directs him he brings no good, is he the same as someone who commands justice and is on a straight path? (16:76)

Allah commands justice and doing good and giving to relatives. And He forbids indecency and

doing wrong and tyranny. He warns you so that hopefully you will pay heed. (16:90)

Those who disbelieve say, 'This is nothing but a lie he has invented and other people have helped him to do it. They have brought injustice and falsehood.' (25:4)

Call them after their fathers. That is closer to justice in Allah's sight. And if you do not know who their fathers were then they are your brothers in the religion and people under your patronage. You are not to blame for any honest mistake you make but only for what your hearts premeditate. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:5) Every self will be repaid today for what it earned. Today there will be no injustice. Allah is swift at reckoning. (40:17)

The man who believed said, 'My people! I fear for you a day like that of the Confederates, the same as happened to the people of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud and those who followed after them. Allah does not want any injustice for His servants.' (40:30-31)

So call and go straight as you have been ordered to. Do not follow their whims and desires but say, 'I believe in a Book sent down by Allah and I am ordered to be just between you. Allah is our Lord and your Lord. We have our actions and you have your actions. There is no debate between us and you. Allah will gather us all together. He is our final destination.' (42:15)

If two parties of the believers fight, make peace between them. But if one of them attacks the other unjustly, fight the attackers until they revert to Allah's command. If they revert, make peace between them with justice, and be even-handed. Allah loves those who are even-handed. (49:9) Give just weight—do not skimp in the balance. (55:9)

We sent Our Messengers with the Clear Signs and sent down the Book and the Balance with them so that mankind might establish justice. And We sent down iron in which there lies great force and which has many uses for mankind, so that Allah might know those who help Him and His Messengers in the Unseen. Allah is All-Strong, Almighty. (57:25)

Allah does not forbid you from being good to

those who have not fought you in the religion or driven you from your homes, or from being just towards them. Allah loves those who are just.  
(60:8)

## K

### KAABA

And when We made the House (Kaaba) a place of return, a sanctuary for mankind: They took the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray) as a place of prayer. We contracted with Ibrahim and Isma'il: 'Purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stay there, and those who bow and who prostrate.' (2:125)

The first House established for mankind was that at Bakka, a place of blessing and a guidance for all beings. (3:96)

In it are Clear Signs—the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray). All who enter it are safe. Pilgrimage to the House is a duty owed to Allah by all mankind—those who can find a way to do it. But if anyone disbelieves, Allah is Rich Beyond Need of any being. (3:97)

Allah has made the Kaaba, the Sacred House, a special institution for mankind, and also the sacred months and the sacrificial animals and the ritual garlands. That is so you will know that Allah knows what is in the heavens and in the earth and that Allah has knowledge of all things. (5:97)

And We located the position of the House for Ibrahim: 'Do not associate anything with Me and purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stand and bow and prostrate.' (22:26)

### KEY

The keys of the Unseen are in His possession. No one knows them but Him. He knows everything in the land and sea. No leaf falls without His knowing it. There is no seed in the darkness of the earth, and nothing moist or dry which is not in a Clear Book. (6:59)

There is no objection to the blind, no objection to the lame, no objection to the sick; nor to yourselves if you eat in your own houses or your fathers' houses or your mothers' houses or your brothers' houses or your sisters' houses or the houses of your paternal uncles or paternal aunts or the houses of your maternal uncles or maternal aunts or places to which you own the keys or those of your friends. There is nothing wrong in

your eating together or eating separately. And when you enter houses greet one another with a greeting from Allah, blessed and good. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (24:61)

Qarun was one of the people of Musa but he lorded it over them. We gave him treasures, the keys alone to which were a heavy weight for a party of strong men. When his people said to him, 'Do not gloat. Allah does not love people who gloat.' (28:76)

The keys of the heavens and earth belong to Him. It is those who reject Allah's Signs who are the losers. (39:63)

The Keys of the heavens and earth belong to Him. He expands the provision of anyone He wills or restricts it. He has knowledge of all things. (42:12)

### KHALIF

(SEE SUCCESSION - SUCCESSOR)

### KIBLA (SEE THE DIRECTION)

### (TO) KILL - KILLING

And when Musa said to his people, 'My people, You wronged yourselves by adopting the Calf so turn towards your Maker and kill yourselves. That is the best thing for you in your Maker's sight.' And He turned towards you. He is the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful. (2:54)

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces—its green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,' he said, 'Do you want to replace what is better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.' Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon themselves. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

Remember when you killed someone and violently accused each other of it, and Allah brought out what you were hiding. (2:72)

Then you are the people who are killing one another and expelling a group among you from their homes, ganging up against them in wrongdoing and enmity. Yet if they are brought to you as captives, you ransom them, when it was forbidden for you to expel them in the first place! Do you, then, believe in one part of the Book and reject the other? What repayment will there be for any of you who do that except disgrace in this world? And on the Day of Rising, they will be returned to the harshest of punishments. Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:85)

We gave Musa the Book and sent a succession of Messengers after him. We gave 'Isa, son of Maryam, the Clear Signs and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. Why then, whenever a Messenger came to you with something your lower selves did not desire, did you grow arrogant, and deny some of them and murder others? (2:87)

When they are told, 'Believe in what Allah has sent down,' they say, 'Our faith is in what was sent down to us,' and they reject anything beyond that, even though it is the truth, confirming what they have. Say, 'Why then, if you are believers, did you previously kill the Prophets of Allah?' (2:91)

Do not say that those who are killed in the Way of Allah are dead. On the contrary, they are alive but you are not aware of it. (2:154)

You who believe! Retaliation is prescribed for you in the case of people killed: free man for free man, slave for slave, female for female. But if someone is absolved by his brother, blood-money should be claimed with correctness and paid with good will. That is an easement and a mercy from your Lord. Anyone who goes beyond the limits after this will receive a painful punishment. (2:178)

Kill them wherever you come across them and expel them from where they expelled you. Corruption is worse than killing. Do not fight them in the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) until they fight you there. But if they do fight you, then kill them. That is how the disbelievers should be repaid. (2:191)

And with Allah's permission they routed them. Dawud killed Goliath and Allah gave him king-

ship and wisdom and taught him whatever He willed. If it were not for Allah's driving some people back by means of others, the earth would have been corrupted. But Allah shows favour to all the worlds. (2:251)

As for those who reject Allah's Signs, and kill the Prophets without any right to do so, and kill those who command justice, give them news of a painful punishment. (3:21)

They will be plunged into abasement wherever they are found, unless they have a treaty with Allah and with the people. They have brought down anger from Allah upon themselves, and they have been plunged into destitution. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they disobeyed and went beyond the limits. (3:112)

Then He sent down to you, after the distress, security, restful sleep overtaking a group of you, whereas another group became prey to anxious thoughts, thinking other than the truth about Allah-thoughts belonging to the Time of Ignorance-saying, 'Do we have any say in the affair at all?' Say, 'The affair belongs entirely to Allah.' They are concealing things inside themselves which they do not disclose to you, saying, 'If we had only had a say in the affair, none of us would have been killed here in this place.' Say, 'Even if you had been inside your homes, those people for whom killing was decreed would have gone out to their place of death.' So that Allah might test what is in your breasts and purge what is in your hearts. Allah knows the contents of your hearts. (3:154)

They are those who said of their brothers, when they themselves had stayed behind, 'If they had only obeyed us, they would not have been killed.' Say, 'Then ward off death from yourselves if you are telling the truth.' (3:168)

Do not suppose that those killed in the Way of Allah are dead. No indeed! They are alive and well provided for in the very presence of their Lord. (3:169)

Allah has heard the words of those who say, 'Allah is poor and we are rich.' We will write down what they said and their killing of the

Prophets without any right to do so and We will say, 'Taste the punishment of the Burning.' (3:181)

Their Lord responds to them: 'I will not let the deeds of any doer among you go to waste, male or female—you are both the same in that respect. Those who migrated and were driven from their homes and suffered harm in My Way and fought and were killed, I will erase their bad actions from them and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, as a reward from Allah. The best of all rewards is with Allah.'

(3:195)

You who believe! Do not consume one another's property by false means, but only by means of mutually agreed trade. And do not kill yourselves. Allah is Most Merciful to you. (4:29)

If We had directed them to kill themselves or leave their homes, they would not have done so, except for a very few. But if they had done what they were urged to do, it would have been better for them and far more strengthening. (4:66)

So let those who sell the life of this world for the hereafter fight in the Way of Allah. If someone fights in the Way of Allah, whether he is killed or is victorious, We will pay him an immense reward. (4:74)

They would like you to disbelieve as they disbelieve so that you will all be the same. Do not take any of them as friends until they have migrated in the Way of Allah. But if they run away then seize them and kill them wherever you find them. Do not take any of them as either a friend or helper. (4:89)

You will find others who desire to be safe from you and safe from their own people. Each time they are returned to dissension they are overwhelmed by it. If they do not keep away from you or submit to you or refrain from fighting, seize them and kill them wherever you find them. Over such people We have given you clear authority. (4:91)

A believer should never kill another believer unless it is by mistake. Anyone who kills a believer by mistake should free a believing slave and pay blood-money to his family unless they forgo it as a charity. If he is from a people who are your en-

emies and is a believer, you should free a believing slave. If he is from a people you have a treaty with, blood money should be paid to his family and you should free a believing slave. Anyone who cannot find the means should fast two consecutive months. This is a concession from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:92)

As for anyone who kills a believer deliberately, his repayment is Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. Allah is angry with him and has cursed him, and has prepared for him a terrible punishment. (4:93)

Because of the fact that they broke their covenant, and rejected Allah's Signs, and killed the Prophets without any right to do so and said, 'Our hearts are uncircumcised,' Allah has stamped them with disbelief, so they do not believe except for very few. (4:155)

And (We punished them) on account of their disbelief, and their utterance of a monstrous slander against Maryam, and their saying, 'We killed the Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, Messenger of Allah.' They did not kill him and they did not crucify him but it was made to seem so to them. Those who argue about him are in doubt about it. They have no real knowledge of it, just conjecture. But they certainly did not kill him. (4:156-157)

Recite to them the true report of Adam's two sons when they offered a sacrifice and it was accepted from one of them but not accepted from the other. The one said, 'I shall kill you.' The other said, 'Allah only accepts from people who guard against evil. Even if you do raise your hand against me to kill me, I am not going to raise my hand against you to kill you. Truly I fear Allah, the Lord of all the worlds.' (5:27-28)

So his lower self persuaded him to kill his brother, and he killed him and became one of the lost. (5:30)

Then Allah sent a crow which scratched at the earth to show him how to conceal his brother's corpse. He said, 'Woe is me! Can I not even be like this crow and conceal my brother's corpse?' And he became one of those who suffer bitter remorse on account of that. So We decreed for the tribe of Israel that if someone kills another per-

son—unless it is in retaliation for someone else or for causing corruption in the earth—it is as if he had murdered all mankind. And if anyone gives life to another person, it is as if he had given life to all mankind. Our Messengers came to them with Clear Signs but even after that many of them committed outrages in the earth. (5:31-32)

The reprisal against those who wage war on Allah and His Messenger, and go about the earth corrupting it, is that they should be killed or crucified, or have their alternate hands and feet cut off, or be banished from the land. That will be their degradation in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment, (5:33) We made a covenant with the tribe of Israel and We sent Messengers to them. Each time a Messenger came to them with something their lower selves did not desire, they denied some and they murdered others. (5:70)

You who believe! Do not kill game while you are in the state of pilgrimage. If one of you kills any deliberately, the reprisal for it is a livestock animal equivalent to what he killed, as judged by two just men among you, a sacrifice to reach the Kaaba, or expiation by feeding the poor, or fasting commensurate with that, so that he may taste the evil consequences of what he did. Allah has pardoned all that took place in the past; but if anyone does it again Allah will take revenge on him. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (5:95)

In the same way their idols have made killing their children appear good to many of the idolaters, in order to destroy them and confuse them in their religion. If Allah had willed, they would not have done it; so abandon them and what they fabricate. (6:137)

Those who kill their children foolishly without any knowledge and make what Allah has provided for them forbidden, inventing lies against Allah, such people are lost. They are misguided. They are not guided. (6:140)

Say: ‘Come and I will recite to you what your Lord has made forbidden for you’: that you do not associate anything with Him; that you are good to your parents; that you do not kill your children because of poverty—We will provide for

you and them; that you do not approach indecency—outward or inward; that you do not kill any person Allah has made inviolate—except with the right to do so. That is what He instructs you to do so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (6:151)

The ruling circle of Pharaoh’s people said, ‘Are you going to leave Musa and his people to cause corruption in the earth and abandon you and your gods?’ He said, ‘We will kill their sons and let their women live. We have absolute power over them!’ (7:127)

Remember when We rescued you from Pharaoh’s people who were inflicting an evil punishment on you, killing your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord. (7:141)

When Musa returned to his people in anger and great sorrow, he said, ‘What an evil thing you did in my absence after I left! Did you want to hasten your Lord’s command?’ He threw down the Tablets and seized hold of his brother’s head, dragging him towards him. Harun said, ‘Son of my mother, The people oppressed me and almost killed me. Do not give my enemies cause to gloat over me. Do not include me with the wrongdoers.’ (7:150)

You did not kill them; it was Allah Who killed them; and you did not throw, when you threw; it was Allah Who threw: so He might test the believers with this excellent trial from Him. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (8:17)

When those who disbelieve were plotting against you to imprison you or kill you or expel you: they were plotting and Allah was plotting, but Allah is the Best of Plotters. (8:30)

Then, when the sacred months are over, kill the idolaters wherever you find them, and seize them and besiege them and lie in wait for them on every road. If they repent and perform prayer and give the alms, let them go on their way. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:5)

Allah has bought from the believers their selves and their wealth in return for the Garden. They fight in the Way of Allah and they kill and are killed. It is a promise binding on Him in the Torah, the Gospel and the Qur'an and who is

truer to his contract than Allah? Rejoice then in the bargain you have made. That is the great victory. (9:111)

(Yusuf's brothers said,) 'Kill Yusuf or expel him to some land so that your father will look to you alone and then you can be people who do right.' (12:9)

One of them said, 'Do not take Yusuf's life but throw him to the bottom of the well, so that some travellers may discover him, if this is something that you have to do.' (12:10)

Do not kill your children out of fear of being poor. We will provide for them and you. Killing them is a terrible mistake. (17:31)

Do not kill any person Allah has made inviolate, except with the right to do so. If someone is wrongly killed We have given authority to his next of kin. But he should not be excessive in taking life. He will be helped. (17:33)

So they went on until they met a youngster whom he killed. Musa said, 'Have you killed a boy who has done no wrong, without it being in retaliation for someone else? This is truly an appalling thing that you have done!' (18:74)

(Allah said,) 'When your sister went and said, "Shall I direct you to someone who will take care of him?" that was how We returned you to your mother so that she might delight her eyes and not be grieved. You killed a man and We rescued you from trouble and tested you with many trials. You stayed some years among the people of Madyan. Then you arrived at the pre-ordained time, Musa!' (20:40)

(Believers are) those who do not call on any other god together with Allah and do not kill anyone Allah has made inviolate, except with the right to do so, and do not fornicate; anyone who does that will receive an evil punishment. (25:68)

(Musa said,) 'They hold a wrong action against me and I fear that they may kill me.' (26:14)

The wife of Pharaoh said, 'A source of delight for me and for you; do not kill him. It may well be that he will be of use to us or perhaps we could adopt him as a son.' They were not aware. (28:9) But when he was about to grab the man who was their common enemy, he said, 'Musa! Do you

want to kill me just as you killed a person yesterday? You only want to be a tyrant in the land; you do not want to be a reformer.' (28:19)

A man came running from the furthest part of the city, saying, 'Musa, the Council are conspiring to kill you, so leave! I am someone who brings you good advice.' (28:20)

He (Musa) said, 'My Lord, I killed one of them and I am afraid they will kill me.' (28:33)

The only answer of his people was to say: 'Kill him or burn him!' But Allah rescued him from the fire. There are certainly Signs in that for people who are believers. (29:24)

Say: 'Flight will not benefit you if you try to run away from death or being killed. Then you will only enjoy a short respite.' (33:16)

He brought down from their fortresses those of the People of the Book who supported them and cast terror into their hearts. You killed some of them and some you took prisoner. (33:26)

When he brought them the truth from Us they said, 'Slaughter the sons of those who believe with him but let their women live.' The stratagems of the disbelievers are nothing but errors. (40:25)

Pharaoh said, 'Let me kill Musa and let him call upon his Lord! I am afraid that he may change your religion and bring about corruption in the land.' (40:26)

A man among Pharaoh's people who believed, but kept his faith concealed, said, 'Are you going to kill a man for saying "My Lord is Allah" when he has brought you Clear Signs from your Lord? If he is telling a lie, be it on his own head. But if he is telling the truth, then some of what he is promising you will certainly happen to you. Allah does not guide any unbridled inveterate liar.' (40:28)

O Prophet! When women who believe come to you pledging allegiance to you on the grounds that they will not associate anything with Allah or steal or fornicate or kill their children or give a false ascription of paternity—making up lies about their bodies—or disobey you in respect of anything right, then accept their pledge and ask forgiveness for them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (60:12)

When the baby girl buried alive is asked for what crime she was killed. (81:8-9)

## KING - KINGSHIP

What do you think about the council of the tribe of Israel after Musa's time when they said to one of their Prophets, 'Give us a king and we will fight in the Way of Allah!?' He said, 'Is it not possible that if fighting were prescribed for you, you would not fight?' They said, 'How could we not fight in the way of Allah when we have been driven from our homes and children?' But then when fighting was prescribed for them, they turned their backs—except for a few of them. Allah knows the wrongdoers. (2:246)

Their Prophet said to them, 'Allah has appointed Talut to be your king.' They said, 'How can he have kingship over us when we have much more right to kingship than he does? He has not even got much wealth!' He said, 'Allah has chosen him over you and favoured him greatly in knowledge and physical strength. Allah gives kingship to anyone He wills. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing.' (2:247)

Their Prophet said to them, 'The sign of his kingship is that the Ark will come to you, containing serenity from your Lord and certain relics left by the families of Musa and Harun. It will be borne by angels. There is a sign for you in that if you are believers.' (2:248)

And with Allah's permission they routed them. Dawud killed Goliath and Allah gave him kingship and wisdom and taught him whatever He willed. If it were not for Allah's driving some people back by means of others, the earth would have been corrupted. But Allah shows favour to all the worlds. (2:251)

The King declared, 'I dreamt of seven fat cows which seven thin ones ate and seven green ears of wheat and seven others which were dry. O counsellors! Explain my dream to me if you are those who can interpret visions!' (12:43)

The King said, 'Bring him to me straight away!' but when the envoy came to him, he (Yusuf) said, 'Go back to your master and enquire of him what happened about the women who cut their hands. My Lord has knowledge of their cunning guile.' (12:50)

The King said, 'Bring him to me straight away! So I may draw him very close to me.' When he had

spoken with him, he declared, 'Today you are trusted, established in our sight.' (12:54)

They said, 'We're missing the goblet of the king. The man who brings it will get a camel's load. Regarding that I stand as guarantor.' (12:72)

He started with their bags before his brother's and then produced it from his brother's bag. In that way We devised a cunning scheme for Yusuf. He could not have held his brother according to the statutes of the King—only because Allah had willed it so. We raise the rank of anyone We will. Over everyone with knowledge is a Knower. (12:76)

High exalted be Allah, the King, the Real! Do not rush ahead with the Qur'an before its revelation to you is complete, and say: 'My Lord, increase me in knowledge.' (20:114)

Exalted be Allah, the King, the Real. There is no god but Him, Lord of the Noble Throne. (23:116) He to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and the earth belongs. He does not have a son and He has no partner in the Kingdom. He created everything and determined it most exactly. (25:2)

She (Queen of Sheba) said, 'When kings enter a city, they lay waste to it and make its mightiest inhabitants the most abased. That is what they too will do.' (27:34)

He is Allah—there is no god but Him. He is the King, the Most Pure, the Perfect Peace, the Trustworthy, the Safeguarder, the Almighty, the Compeller, the Supremely Great. Glory be to Allah above all they associate with Him. (59:23) Everything in the heavens and everything in the earth glorifies Allah, the King, the All-Pure, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (62:1)

## KINSHIP

How indeed! For if they get the upper hand over you, they will respect neither kinship nor treaty. They please you with their mouths but their hearts belie their words. Most of them are deviators. (9:8)

They respect neither kinship nor treaty where a believer is concerned. They are the people who overstep the limits. (9:10)

No burden-bearer can bear another's burden. If someone weighed down calls for help to bear his

load, none of it will be borne for him, even by his next of kin. You can only warn those who fear their Lord in the Unseen and perform prayer. Whoever is purified, is purified for himself alone. Allah is your final destination. (35:18)

Is it not likely that, if you did turn away, you would cause corruption in the earth and sever your ties of kinship? (47:22)

### **KNIFE**

But when she (the governor's wife) heard of their malicious talk, she sent for them and made a sumptuous meal and then she gave a knife to each of them. She said (to Yusuf), 'Go out to them.' When they saw him, they were amazed by him and cut their hands. They said, 'Allah preserve us! This is no man. What can this be but a noble angel here!' (12:31)

### **KNOWLEDGE**

It is He Who created everything on the earth for you and then directed His attention up to heaven and arranged it into seven regular heavens. He has knowledge of all things. (2:29)

They said, 'Glory be to You! We have no knowledge except what You have taught us. You are the All-Knowing, the All-Wise.' (2:32)

The Jews and the Christians will never be pleased with you until you follow their religion. Say, 'Allah's guidance is the true guidance.' If you were to follow their whims and desires, after the knowledge that has come to you, you would find no protector or helper against Allah. (2:120)

If you were to bring every Sign to those given the Book, they still would not follow your direction. You do not follow their direction. They do not follow each other's direction. If you followed their whims and desires, after the knowledge that has come to you, you would then be one of the wrongdoers. (2:145)

Their Prophet said to them, 'Allah has appointed Talut to be your king.' They said, 'How can he have kingship over us when we have much more right to kingship than he does? He has not even got much wealth!' He said, 'Allah has chosen him over you and favoured him greatly in knowledge and physical strength. Allah gives kingship

to anyone He wills. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing.' (2:247)

It is He Who sent down the Book to you from Him: verses containing clear judgements—they are the core of the Book—and others which are open to interpretation. Those with deviation in their hearts follow what is open to interpretation in it, desiring conflict, seeking its inner meaning. No one knows its inner meaning but Allah. Those firmly rooted in knowledge say, 'We believe in it. All of it is from our Lord.' But only people of intelligence pay heed. (3:7)

Allah bears witness that there is no god but Him, as do the angels and the people of knowledge, upholding justice. There is no god but Him, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (3:18)

The religion with Allah is Islam. Those given the Book only differed after knowledge had come to them, envying one another. As for those who reject Allah's Signs, Allah is swift at reckoning. (3:19)

If anyone argues with you about him after the knowledge that has come to you, say, 'Come then! Let us summon our sons and your sons, our women and your women, ourselves and yourselves. Then let us make earnest supplication and call down the curse of Allah upon the liars.' (3:61)

(Say,) 'You are people arguing about something of which you have no knowledge. Why do you argue about something of which you have no knowledge? Allah knows; you do not know.' (3:66)

When news of any matter reaches them they spread it about, whether it is of a reassuring or disquieting nature. If they had only referred it to the Messenger and those in command among them, those among them able to discern the truth about it would have had proper knowledge of it. If it were not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, all but a very few of you would have followed Satan. (4:83)

And on account of their disbelief, and their utterance of a monstrous slander against Maryam, and their saying, 'We killed the Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, Messenger of Allah.' They did not kill him and they did not crucify him but it was made

to seem so to them. Those who argue about him are in doubt about it. They have no real knowledge of it, just conjecture. But they certainly did not kill him. (4:156-157)

But those of them who are firmly rooted in knowledge, and the believers, believe in what has been sent down to you and what was sent down before you: those who perform prayer and give the alms, and believe in Allah and the Last Day—We will pay such people an immense wage. (4:162)

But Allah bears witness to what He has sent down to you. He has sent it down with His knowledge. The angels bear witness as well. And Allah suffices as a Witness. (4:166)

His people argued with him. He (Ibrahim) said, ‘Are you arguing with me about Allah when He has guided me? I have no fear of any partner you ascribe to Him unless my Lord should will such a thing to happen. My Lord encompasses all things in His knowledge so will you not pay heed? Why should I fear what you have associated with Him when you yourselves apparently have no fear of associating partners with Allah for which He has sent down no authority to you? Which of the two parties is more entitled to feel safe, if you have any knowledge?’ (6:80-81)

It is He Who has appointed the stars for you so you might be guided by them in the darkness of the land and sea. We have made the Signs clear for people who have knowledge. (6:97)

Yet they make the jinn co-partners with Allah when He created them! And they attribute sons and daughters to Him without any knowledge. Glory be to Him! He is far above what they describe! (6:100)

He is the Originator of the heavens and the earth. How could He have a son when He has no wife? He created all things and He has knowledge of all things. (6:101)

What is the matter with you that you do not eat that over which the name of Allah has been mentioned, when He has made clear to you what He has made forbidden for you except when you are forced to eat it? Many people lead others astray through their whims and desires without having any knowledge. Your Lord knows best those who

overstep the limits. (6:119)

Those who kill their children foolishly without any knowledge and make what Allah has provided for them forbidden, inventing lies against Allah, such people are lost. They are misguided. They are not guided. (6:140)

There are eight in pairs: A pair of sheep and a pair of goats—Say: ‘Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Tell me with knowledge if you are being truthful.’ (6:143)

And a pair of camels and a pair of cattle—Say: ‘Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Were you then witnesses when Allah gave you this instruction?’ Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah thus leading people astray without any knowledge? Allah does not guide the people of the wrongdoers. (6:144)

Those who associate others with Allah will say, ‘If Allah had willed we would not have associated anything with Him, nor would our fathers; nor would we have made anything forbidden.’ In the same way the people before them also lied until they felt Our violent force. Say: ‘Do you have some knowledge you can produce for us? You are following nothing but conjecture. You are only guessing.’ (6:148)

We will tell them about it with knowledge. We are never absent. (7:7)

We have brought them a Book elucidating everything with knowledge, as guidance and a mercy for people who believe. (7:52)

(Shu’ayb said,) ‘We would be inventing lies against Allah if we returned to your religion after Allah has saved us from it. We could never return to it unless Allah our Lord so willed. Our Lord encompasses everything in His knowledge. We have put our trust in Allah. Our Lord, judge between us and our people with truth. You are the best of judges.’ (7:89)

They will ask you about the Hour: when is it due? Say: ‘Knowledge of it rests with my Lord alone. He alone will reveal it at its proper time. It hangs heavy in the heavens and the earth. It will not come upon you except suddenly.’ They will ask

you as if you had full knowledge of it. Say: 'Knowledge of it rests with Allah alone. But most people do not know that.' (7:187)

Say: 'I possess no power to help or harm myself, except as Allah wills. If I had had knowledge of the Unseen, I would have sought to gain much good and no evil would have touched me. I am only a warner and a bringer of good news to people who believe.' (7:188)

But if they repent and perform prayer and give the alms, they are your brothers in the religion. We make the Signs clear for people who have knowledge. (9:11)

It is not necessary for the believers to go out all together. If a party from each group of them were to go out so they could increase their knowledge of the religion they would be able to notify their people when they returned to them so that hopefully they would take warning! (9:122)

No, the fact is that they have denied something which their knowledge does not embrace and the meaning of which has not yet reached them. In the same way those before them also denied the truth. See the final fate of the wrongdoers! (10:39)

He said, 'Your request is answered, so go straight and do not follow the way of those who have no knowledge.' (10:89)

We settled the tribe of Israel in a noble place and gave them good things as provision. They did not differ until knowledge came to them. Your Lord will decide between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things about which they differed. (10:93)

If they do not respond to you then know that it has been sent down with Allah's knowledge and that there is no god but Him. So will you not become Muslims? (11:14)

He said, 'Nuh, he is definitely not of your family. He is someone whose action was not righteous. Do not, therefore, ask Me for something about which you have no knowledge. I admonish you lest you should be among the ignorant.' (11:46)

He (Nuh) said, 'My Lord, I seek refuge with You from asking You for anything about which I have no knowledge. If You do not forgive me and have mercy on me, I will be among the lost.' (11:47)

And then when he (Yusuf) became a full-grown man, We gave him knowledge and right judgement too. That is how We reward all doers of good. (12:22)

The King said, 'Bring him to me straight away!' but when the envoy came to him, he (Yusuf) said, 'Go back to your master and enquire of him what happened about the women who cut their hands. My Lord has knowledge of their cunning guile.' (12:50)

But when they entered as their father said, it did not save them from Allah at all, yet a need in Ya'qub's soul was satisfied. He had knowledge which We had taught him, but most of mankind simply do not know. (12:68)

He started with their bags before his brother's and then produced it from his brother's bag. In that way We devised a cunning scheme for Yusuf. He could not have held his brother according to the statutes of the King—only because Allah had willed it so. We raise the rank of anyone We will. Over everyone with knowledge is a Knower. (12:76)

Accordingly We have sent it down as a judgement in Arabic. If you followed their whims and desires after the knowledge that has come to you, you would have no protector or defender against Allah. (13:37)

Those who disbelieve say, 'You are not a Messenger.' Say: 'Allah is a sufficient witness between you and me, and anyone else who has knowledge of the Book.' (13:43)

They (Our Messengers) said, 'Do not be afraid. We bring you the good news of a boy of great knowledge.' (15:53)

Then on the Day of Rising He will disgrace them, and say, 'Where are My partner gods for whose sake you became so hostile?' Those given knowledge will say, 'Today there is disgrace and evil for the disbelievers.' (16:27)

They allot a portion of the provision We have given them to things they have no knowledge of at all. By Allah, you will be asked about what you invented! (16:56)

Allah created you and then will take you back again. And some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that after having knowledge, you know

nothing at all. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Powerful. (16:70)

If we replace one verse with another one—and Allah knows best what He is sending down—they say, ‘You are just inventing this!’ No indeed! Most of them have no knowledge. (16:101)

Do not pursue what you have no knowledge of. Hearing, sight and hearts will all be questioned. (17:36)

When We said to you, ‘Surely your Lord encompasses the people with His knowledge.’ We only appointed the vision We showed you and the Accursed Tree in the Qur'an as a trial and temptation for the people. We frighten them, but it only increases them in their excessive insolence. (17:60)

They will ask you about the Spirit. Say: ‘The Spirit is my Lord's concern. You have only been given a little knowledge.’ (17:85)

Say: ‘Believe in it or do not believe in it.’ Certainly, when it is recited to them, those who were given knowledge before it fall on their faces in prostration. (17:107)

They have no knowledge of this, neither they nor their fathers. It is a monstrous utterance which has issued from their mouths. What they say is nothing but a lie. (18:5)

They found a servant of Ours whom We had granted mercy from Us and whom We had also given knowledge direct from Us. (18:65)

(He said to Musa,) ‘How indeed could you bear with patience something you have not encompassed in your knowledge?’ (18:68)

Our knowledge encompasses all that happened to him. (18:91)

(Ibrahim said,) ‘Father, knowledge which never reached you has come to me, so follow me and I will guide you to the right path.’ (19:43)

He (Pharaoh) said, ‘What about the previous generations?’ He (Musa) said, ‘Knowledge of them is with my Lord in a Book. My Lord does not misplace nor does He forget.’ (20:51-52)

(Musa said,) ‘Your god is Allah alone, there is no god but Him. He encompasses all things in His knowledge.’ (20:98)

He knows what is in front of them and behind them. But their knowledge does not encompass

Him. (20:110)

High exalted be Allah, the King, the Real! Do not rush ahead with the Qur'an before its revelation to you is complete, and say: ‘My Lord, increase me in knowledge.’ (20:114)

We gave Ibrahim his right guidance early on, and We had complete knowledge of him. (21:51)

We gave right judgement and knowledge to Lut and rescued him from the city which committed disgusting acts. They were evil people who were deviators. (21:74)

We gave Sulayman understanding of it. We gave each of them judgement and knowledge. We subjected the mountains to Dawud, glorifying, and the birds as well. This is something We are well able to do. (21:79)

And to Sulayman We gave the fiercely blowing wind, speeding at his command towards the land which We had blessed. And We had full knowledge of everything. (21:81)

Among people there is one who argues about Allah without knowledge, and follows every rebellious Satan. (22:3)

Mankind! If you are in any doubt about the Rising, know that We created you from dust then from a drop of sperm then from a clot of blood then from a lump of flesh, formed yet unformed, so We may make things clear to you. We make whatever We want stay in the womb until a specified time and then We bring you out as children so that you can reach your full maturity. Some of you die and some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that, after having knowledge, they then know nothing at all. And you see the earth dead and barren; then when We send down water onto it it quivers and swells and sprouts with luxuriant plants of every kind. (22:5)

Among people there is one who argues about Allah without knowledge or guidance or any light-giving Book. (22:8)

And (it is) so that those who have been given knowledge will know it is the truth from their Lord and believe in it and their hearts will be humbled to Him. Allah guides those who believe to a straight path. (22:54)

They worship besides Allah something for which no authority has come down, something about

which they have no knowledge. There is no helper for the wrongdoers. (22:71)

Say: 'To whom does the earth belong, and everyone in it, if you have any knowledge?' (23:84)

Say: 'In whose hand is the dominion over everything, He Who gives protection and from whom no protection can be given, if you have any knowledge?' (23:88)

You were bandying it about on your tongues, your mouths uttering something about which you had no knowledge. You considered it to be a trivial matter, but, in Allah's sight, it is immense. (24:15)

Allah is the Light of the heavens and the earth. The metaphor of His Light is that of a niche in which is a lamp, the lamp inside a glass, the glass like a brilliant star, lit from a blessed tree, an olive, neither of the east nor of the west, its oil all but giving off light even if no fire touches it. Light upon Light. Allah guides to His Light whoever He wills and Allah makes metaphors for mankind and Allah has knowledge of all things. (24:35)

Everything in the heavens and the earth belongs to Allah. He knows what you are engaged upon. On the Day when they are returned to Him, He will inform them of what they did. Allah has knowledge of all things. (24:64)

We gave knowledge to Dawud and Sulayman who said, 'Praise be to Allah Who has favoured us over many of His servants who are believers.'

(27:15)

He who possessed knowledge of the Book said, 'I will bring it to you before your glance returns to you.' And when he saw it standing firmly in his presence, he said, 'This is part of my Lord's favour to test me to see if I will give thanks or show ingratitude. Whoever gives thanks only does so to his own gain. Whoever is ungrateful, my Lord is Rich Beyond Need, Generous.'

(27:40)

Then when she (Queen of Sheba) came, she was asked, 'Is your throne like this?' She said, 'It is exactly like it.' 'We were given knowledge before her and were already Muslims.' (27:42)

These are the ruins of their houses because of the wrong they did. There is certainly a Sign in that for people with knowledge. (27:52)

No, their knowledge stops short of the hereafter.

In fact they have doubts about it. In fact they are blind to it. (27:66)

Then when they arrive He will say, 'Did you deny My Signs even though you did not have proper knowledge of them. What were you doing?' (27:84)

And when he (Musa) reached his full strength and maturity, We gave him judgement and knowledge. That is how We recompense good-doers. (28:14)

You cannot guide those you would like to but Allah guides those He wills. He has best knowledge of the guided. (28:56)

He (Qarun) said, 'I have only been given it because of knowledge I have.' Did he not know that before him Allah had destroyed generations with far greater strength than his and far more possessions? The evildoers will not be questioned about their sins. (28:78)

But those who had been given knowledge said, 'Woe to you! Allah's reward is better for those who believe and act rightly. But only the steadfast will obtain it.' (28:80)

We have instructed man to honour his parents, but if they endeavour to make you associate with Me something about which you have no knowledge, do not obey them. It is to Me you will return and I will inform you about the things you did. (29:8)

Such metaphors—We devise them for mankind; but only those with knowledge understand them. (29:43)

No, it is Clear Signs reposed in the hearts of those who have been given knowledge. Only wrongdoers deny Our Signs. (29:49)

Allah expands the provision of any of His servants He wills and restricts it. Allah has knowledge of all things. (29:62)

However, those who do wrong pursue their whims and desires without any knowledge. Who can guide those whom Allah has led astray? They will have no helpers. (30:29)

Those who have been given knowledge and faith will say, 'You tarried in accordance with Allah's Decree until the Day of Rising. And this is the Day of Rising, but you did not know it.' (30:56)

(We have instructed man concerning his par-

ents:) ‘But if they try to make you associate something with Me about which you have no knowledge, do not obey them. Keep company with them correctly and courteously in this world but follow the Way of him who turns to Me. Then you will return to Me and I will inform you about the things you did.’ (31:15)

Do you not see that Allah has subjected to you everything in the heavens and earth and has showered His blessings upon you, both outwardly and inwardly? Yet there are people who argue about Allah without knowledge or guidance or any illuminating Book. (31:20)

Truly Allah has knowledge of the Hour and sends down abundant rain and knows what is in the womb. And no self knows what it will earn tomorrow and no self knows in what land it will die. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (31:34)

Muhammad is not the father of any of your men, but the Messenger of Allah and the Final Seal of the Prophets. Allah has knowledge of all things. (33:40)

Whether you divulge a thing or conceal it, Allah has knowledge of all things. (33:54)

People will ask you about the Last Hour. Say: ‘Only Allah has knowledge of it. What will make you understand? It may be that the Last Hour is very near.’ (33:63)

Those who have been given knowledge see that what has been sent down to you from your Lord is the truth and that it guides to the Path of the Almighty, the Praiseworthy. (34:6)

Then when We decreed that he (Sulayman) should die, nothing divulged his death to them except the worm which ate his staff; so that when he fell down it was made clear to the jinn that if they had truly had knowledge of the Unseen they need not have stayed there suffering humiliating punishment. (34:14)

Allah created you from dust and then from a drop of sperm and then made you into pairs. No female becomes pregnant or gives birth except with His knowledge. And no living thing lives long or has its life cut short without that being in a Book. That is easy for Allah. (35:11)

And mankind and beasts and livestock are likewise of varying colours. Only those of His ser-

vants with knowledge have fear of Allah. Allah is Almighty, Ever-Forgiving. (35:28)

Say ‘He Who made them in the first place will bring them back to life. He has total knowledge of each created thing.’ (36:79)

When harm touches man he calls on Us. Then when We grant him a blessing from Us he says, ‘I have only been given this because of my knowledge.’ In fact it is a trial but most of them do not know it. (39:49)

Those who bear the Throne, and all those around it, glorify their Lord with praise and believe in Him and ask forgiveness for those who believe: ‘Our Lord, You encompass everything in mercy and knowledge! Forgive those who turn to You and who follow Your Way and safeguard them from the punishment of the Blazing Fire.’ (40:7)

(The man who believed said to his people,) ‘You call me to reject Allah and to associate something with Him about which I have no knowledge, while I call you to the Almighty, the Endlessly Forgiving.’ (40:42)

When their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs, they exulted in the knowledge they had and then were engulfed by the very things they mocked. (40:83)

Knowledge of the Hour is referred to Him. And no fruit emerges from its husk, nor does any female get pregnant or give birth, without His knowledge. On the Day He calls out to them: ‘Where are My associates?’ they will say, ‘We declare to you that none of us is a witness.’ (41:47) The Keys of the heavens and earth belong to Him. He expands the provision of anyone He wills or restricts it. He has knowledge of all things. (42:12)

They only split up after knowledge came to them, tyrannising one another. And were it not for a prior decree from your Lord for a specified term, the judgement between them would already have been made. Those who inherited the Book after them are indeed in grave doubt about it. (42:14)

They say, ‘If the All-Merciful had so willed, we would not have worshipped them.’ They have no knowledge of that. They are only conjecturing. (43:20)

Blessed be Him to Whom belongs the sovereignty of the heavens and the earth and everything in between them. The knowledge of the Hour is with Him. You will be returned to Him. (43:85)

We made the Commandments very clear to them and they only differed after knowledge came to them, tyrannising one other. Your Lord will decide between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things they differed about. (45:17)

They say, 'There is nothing but our existence in this world. We die and we live and nothing destroys us except for time.' They have no knowledge of that. They are only conjecturing. (45:24)

Say: 'Have you thought about those you call upon apart from Allah? Show me what they have created on the earth. Or do they have a partnership in the heavens? Produce a Book for me before this one or a shred of knowledge if you are telling the truth.' (46:4)

He (Hud) said, 'All knowledge is with Allah. I only transmit to you what I have been sent with. But I see that you are a people who are ignorant.' (46:23)

Among them are those who listen to you and then, when they leave your presence, say to those who have been given knowledge, 'What was that he just said?' They are those whose hearts Allah has sealed up and who follow their own desires. (47:16)

They are those who disbelieved and debarred you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and prevented the sacrifice from reaching its proper place, and had it not been for some men and women who are believers, whom you did not know and might trample underfoot, and so unknowingly incur blame on their account--so that Allah might admit into His mercy those He wills--and had those among them who disbelieve been clearly distinguishable, We would have punished them with a painful punishment. (48:25)

Those who disbelieve filled their hearts with fanatical rage--the fanatical rage of the Time of Ignorance--and Allah sent down serenity to His Messenger and to the believers, and bound them to the expression of heedfulness which they had

most right to and were most entitled to. Allah has knowledge of all things. (48:26)

Say: 'Do you presume to teach Allah your religion when Allah knows everything in the heavens and everything in the earth? Allah has knowledge of all things.' (49:16)

He (Ibrahim) felt afraid of them but they said, 'Do not be afraid!' and gave him the good news of a son imbued with knowledge. (51:28)

They have no knowledge of this. They are only following conjecture. (53:28)

That is as far as their knowledge extends. Your Lord knows best those who are misguided from His Way and He knows best those who are guided. (53:30)

To whoever avoids the major wrong actions and indecencies--except for minor lapses--truly your Lord is vast in forgiveness. He has most knowledge of you when He first produced you from the earth, and when you were embryos in your mothers' wombs. So do not claim purity for yourselves. He knows best those who guard against evil. (53:32)

Does he have knowledge of the Unseen, enabling him to see? (53:35)

He is the First and the Last, the Outward and the Inward. He has knowledge of all things. (57:3)

Do you not see that Allah knows what is in the heavens and on the earth? Three men cannot confer together secretly without Him being the fourth of them, or five without Him being the sixth of them, or fewer than that or more without Him being with them wherever they are. Then He will inform them on the Day of Rising of what they did. Allah has knowledge of all things. (58:7)

You who believe! When you are told: 'Make room in the gathering,' then make room and Allah will make room for you! And when it is said, 'Get up', get up. Allah will raise in rank those of you who believe and those who have been given knowledge. Allah is aware of what you do. (58:11)

You who believe! When women who believe come to you as emigrants, submit them to a test. Allah has best knowledge of their faith. If you know they are believers, do not return them to

the disbelievers. They are not lawful for the disbelievers nor are the disbelievers lawful for them. Give the disbelievers whatever dowry they paid. And there is nothing wrong in your marrying them provided you pay them their due. Do not hold to any marriage ties with women who disbelieve. Ask for what you paid and let them ask for what they paid. That is Allah's judgement. Allah will judge between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (60:10)

No misfortune occurs except by Allah's permission. Whoever believes in Allah—He will guide his heart. Allah has knowledge of all things. (64:11)

It is Allah Who created the seven heavens and of the earth the same number, the Command descending down through all of them, so that you might know that Allah has power over all things and that Allah encompasses all things in His knowledge. (65:12)

Say: 'The knowledge is with Allah alone and I am only a clear warner.' (67:26)

No indeed, if you only knew with the Knowledge of Certainty, you will certainly see the Blazing Fire! (102:5-6)

#### **KORAN (SEE THE QUR'AN)**

#### **KUFFAR (SEE DISBELIEVERS)**

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## LABOUR

The pains of labour drove her to the trunk of a date-palm. She (Maryam) said, 'Oh if only I had died before this time and was something discarded and forgotten!' (19:23)

## LADDER

If their turning away is hard on you, then go down a tunnel deep into the earth, if you can, or climb up a ladder into heaven, and bring them a Sign. If Allah had wanted to He would have gathered them all to guidance. So do not be among the ignorant. ( 6:35)

Were it not that mankind might all become one community, We would have given those who reject the All-Merciful silver roofs to their houses and silver stairways to ascend. ( 43:33)

Or do they have a ladder on which they listen? Then let their listener bring clear evidence. ( 52:38)

## LAILAT UL-QADR (SEE NIGHT OF POWER)

## LAME

There is no objection to the blind, no objection to the lame, no objection to the sick; nor to yourselves if you eat in your own houses or your fathers' houses or your mothers' houses or your brothers' houses or your sisters' houses or the houses of your paternal uncles or paternal aunts or the houses of your maternal uncles or maternal aunts or places to which you own the keys or those of your friends. There is nothing wrong in your eating together or eating separately. And when you enter houses greet one another with a greeting from Allah, blessed and good. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (24:61)

There is no constraint on the blind, nor on the lame, nor on the sick. We will admit all who obey Allah and His Messenger into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. But We will punish with a painful punishment anyone who turns his back. (48:17)

## LAMP

Allah is the Light of the heavens and the earth. The metaphor of His Light is that of a niche in which is a lamp, the lamp inside a glass, the glass like a brilliant star, lit from a blessed tree, an olive, neither of the east nor of the west, its oil all but giving off light even if no fire touches it. Light upon Light. Allah guides to His Light whoever He wills and Allah makes metaphors for mankind and Allah has knowledge of all things. (24:35)

Blessed be He Who placed constellations in the sky and put a blazing lamp and shining moon among them. (25:61)

O Prophet! We have sent you as a witness, and a bringer of good news and a warner, and a caller to Allah by His permission and a light-giving lamp. (33:45-46)

In two days He determined them as seven heavens and revealed, in every heaven, its own mandate. We adorned the lowest heaven with lamps and guarded it. That is the decree of the Almighty, the All-Knowing. (41:12)

We have adorned the lowest heaven with lamps and made some of them stones for the Satans for whom We have prepared the punishment of the Blaze. (67:5)

Do you not see how He created seven heavens in layers, and placed the moon as a light in them and made the sun a blazing lamp? (71:15-16)

We built seven firm layers above you. We installed a blazing lamp. (78:12-13)

## LAND

It (the charity) is for the poor who are held back in the Way of Allah, unable to travel in the land. The ignorant consider them rich because of their reticence. You will know them by their mark. They do not ask from people insistently. Whatever good you give away, Allah knows it. (2:273)

When you are travelling in the land, there is nothing wrong in your shortening your prayer if you fear that those who disbelieve may harass you. The disbelievers are your clear-cut enemies. (4:101)

He said, 'The land will be forbidden to them for forty years during which they will wander aim-

lessly about the earth. Do not waste grief on this deviant people.' (5:26)

(Salih said, 'My people,) remember when He appointed you successors to 'Ad and settled you in the land. You built palaces on its plains and carved out houses from the mountains. Remember Allah's blessings and do not go about the earth, corrupting it.' (7:74)

And to Madyan We sent their brother Shu'ayb who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. A Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord. Give full measure and full weight. Do not diminish people's goods. Do not cause corruption in the land after it has been put right. That is better for you if you are believers. (7:85)

The ruling circle of Pharaoh's people said, 'This is certainly a skilled magician who desires to expel you from your land, so what do you recommend?' (7:109-110)

They said, 'We suffered harm before you came to us and after you came to us.' He (Musa) said, 'It may well be that your Lord is going to destroy your enemy and make you the successors in the land so that He can see how you behave.' (7:129) When you were few and oppressed in the land, afraid that the people would snatch you away, He gave you refuge and supported you with His help and provided you with good things so that hopefully you would be thankful. (8:26)

It is not fitting for a Prophet to take captives until he has thoroughly subdued the land. You desire the goods of this world, whereas Allah desires the hereafter. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (8:67)

Those who disbelieve are the friends and protectors of one another. If you do not act in this way there will be turmoil in the land and great corruption. (8:73)

An announcement to those idolaters you have a general treaty with that Allah and His Messenger are free of them: 'You may travel about in the land for four months and know that you cannot thwart Allah and that Allah will humiliate the disbelievers.' (9:1-2)

They said, 'Have you come to us to turn us from what we found our fathers doing, and to gain greatness in the land? We do not believe you.' (10:78)

No one believed in Musa except for a few of his people out of fear that Pharaoh, and the elders, would persecute them. Pharaoh was high and mighty in the land. He was one of the profligate. (10:83)

The Egyptian who had bought him told his wife, 'Look after him with honour and respect. It's possible he will be of use to us or perhaps we might adopt him as a son.' And thus We established Yusuf in the land to teach him the true meaning of events. Allah is in control of His affair. However, most of mankind do not know. (12:21) And thus We established Yusuf in the land so he could live in any place he pleased. We grant Our grace to anyone We will and We do not allow to go to waste the wage of any people who do good. (12:56)

We sent none before you but men inspired with revelation from among the people of the cities. Have they not travelled in the land and seen the final fate of those before them? The abode of the hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. So will you not use your intellect? (12:109) Do they not see how We come to the land eroding it at its extremities? Allah judges and there is no reversing His judgement. He is swift at reckoning. (13:41)

Those who disbelieved said to their Messengers, 'We will drive you from our land unless you return to our religion.' Their Lord revealed to them, 'We will destroy those who do wrong. We will leave you the land to live in after them. That is the reward of those who fear My station and fear My threat.' (14:13-14)

We said to the tribe of Israel after that, 'Inhabit the land and, when the promise of the hereafter comes, We will produce you as a motley crowd.' (17:104)

We will certainly make everything on it a barren wasteland. (18:8)

They said, 'Dhu'l-Qarnayn! Yajuj and Majuj are causing corruption in the land. Can we, therefore, pay tribute to you in return for your constructing a barrier between us and them?' (18:94) Allah has promised those of you who believe and do right actions that He will make them successors in the land as He made those before them

successors, and will firmly establish for them their religion with which He is pleased and give them, in place of their fear, security. 'They worship Me, not associating anything with Me.' Any who disbelieve after that, such people are deviators. (24:55)

There was a group of nine men in the city causing corruption in the land and not putting things right. (27:48)

Pharaoh exalted himself arrogantly in the land and divided its people into camps, oppressing one group of them by slaughtering their sons and letting their women live. He was one of the corrupters. (28:4)

We desired to show kindness to those who were oppressed in the land and to make them leaders and make them inheritors and establish them firmly in the land and to show Pharaoh and Haman and their troops the very thing that they were fearing from them. (28:5-6)

But when he was about to grab the man who was their common enemy, he said, 'Musa! Do you want to kill me just as you killed a person yesterday? You only want to be a tyrant in the land; you do not want to be a reformer.' (28:19)

He (Pharaoh) and his troops were arrogant in the land without any right. They thought that they would not return to Us. (28:39)

Have they not travelled in the earth and seen the final fate of those before them? They had greater strength than them and cultivated the land and inhabited it in far greater numbers than they do. Their Messengers also came to them with the Clear Signs. Allah would never have wronged them; but they wronged themselves. (30:9)

Do they not see how We drive water to barren land and bring forth crops by it which their livestock and they themselves both eat? So will they not see? (32:27)

They swore by Allah with their most earnest oaths that if a warner came to them they would be better guided than any other community. But then when a warner did come to them, it only increased their aversion, shown by their arrogance in the land and evil plotting. But evil plotting envelops only those who do it. Do they expect anything but the pattern of previous peoples? You

will not find any changing in the pattern of Allah. You will not find any alteration in the pattern of Allah. (35:42-43)

Have they not travelled in the land and seen the final fate of those before them? They were far greater than them in strength. Allah cannot be withheld in any way, either in the heavens or on earth. He is All-Knowing, All-Powerful. (35:44)

A Sign for them is the dead land which We bring to life and from which We bring forth grain of which they eat. (36:33)

Pharaoh said, 'Let me kill Musa and let him call upon his Lord! I am afraid that he may change your religion and bring about corruption in the land.' (40:26)

(A man among Pharaoh's people who believed, but kept his faith concealed, said,) 'My people! The kingdom is yours today, as masters in the land, but who will help us against Allah's violent force, if it comes upon us?' Pharaoh said, 'I only show you what I see myself and I only guide you to the path of rectitude.' (40:29)

Have they not travelled in the land and seen the final fate of those before them? They were more numerous than them and greater in strength and left more and deeper traces on earth, but what they earned was of no use to them. (40:82)

'Ad were arrogant in the land, without any right, saying, 'Who has greater strength than us?' Did they not see that Allah, Who created them, had greater strength than them? But they renounced Our Signs. (41:15)

Your Lord knows that you stay up nearly two-thirds of the night—or half of it, or a third of it—and a group of those with you. Allah determines the night and day. He knows you will not keep count of it, so He has turned towards you. Recite as much of the Qur'an as is easy for you. He knows that some of you are ill and that others are travelling in the land seeking Allah's bounty, and that others are fighting in the Way of Allah. So recite as much of it as is easy for you. And perform prayer and give the alms and lend a generous loan to Allah. Whatever good you send ahead for yourselves you will find it with Allah as something better and as a greater reward. And seek forgiveness from Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (73:20)

## **LANGUAGE**

We have not sent any Messenger except with the language of his people so he can make things clear to them. Allah misguides anyone He wills and guides anyone He wills. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (14:4)

We know that they say, 'It is only a human being who is teaching him.' The language of him they allude to is a foreign one whereas this is in clear and lucid Arabic. (16:103)

Among His Signs is the creation of the heavens and earth and the variety of your languages and colours. There are certainly Signs in that for every being. (30:22)

If We had made it a Qur'an in a foreign tongue they would have said, 'Why have its Signs not been made plain? What! A foreign language for an Arab?' Say: 'It is guidance and healing for people who believe. Those who do not believe have heaviness in their ears and for them it is blindness. Such people are being called from a very distant place.' (41:44)

## **LASH**

A woman and a man who commit fornication: flog both of them with one hundred lashes and do not let compassion for either of them possess you where Allah's religion is concerned, if you believe in Allah and the Last Day. A number of believers should witness their punishment. (24:2)

But those who make accusations against chaste women and then do not produce four witnesses: flog them with eighty lashes and never again accept them as witnesses. Such people are deviators. (24:4)

## **LAST DAY, THE (QIYAMAH)**

Among the people there are some who say, 'We believe in Allah and the Last Day,' when they are not believers. (2:8)

Those with faith, those who are Jews, and the Christians and Sabaeans, all who believe in Allah and the Last Day and act rightly, will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:62)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who bars access to the mosques of Allah, preventing

His name from being remembered in them, and goes about destroying them? Such people will never be able to enter them—except in fear. They will have disgrace in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (2:114) And when Ibrahim said, 'My Lord, make this a place of safety and provide its inhabitants with fruits—all of them who believe in Allah and the Last Day,' He said, 'I will let anyone who disbelieves enjoy himself a little but then I will drive him to the punishment of the Fire. What an evil destination!' (2:126)

Who would deliberately renounce the religion of Ibrahim except someone who reveals himself to be a fool? We chose him in this world and in the hereafter he will be one of the righteous. (2:130) It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

Divorced women should wait by themselves for three menstrual cycles; and it is not lawful for them to conceal what Allah has created in their wombs if they believe in Allah and the Last Day. Their husbands have the right to take them back within that time, if they desire to be reconciled. Women possess rights similar to those held over them to be honoured with fairness; but men have a degree above them. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:28)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, do not prevent them from marrying their first husbands if they have mutually agreed to it with correctness and courtesy. This is an admonition for those of you who believe in Allah and the Last Day. That is better and purer for you. Allah knows and you do not know. (2:232)

You who believe! Do not nullify your charity by demands for gratitude or insulting words, like him who spends his wealth, showing off to people and not believing in Allah and the Last Day. His likeness is that of a smooth rock coated with soil, which, when heavy rain falls on it, is left stripped bare. They have no power over anything they have earned. Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (2:264)

They believe in Allah and the Last Day, and enjoin the right and forbid the wrong, and compete in doing good. They are among the righteous. (3:114)

And (We have prepared a humiliating punishment) also for those who spend their wealth to show off to people, not believing in Allah and the Last Day. Anyone who has made Satan his comrade, what an evil comrade he is! (4:38)

What harm would it have done them to have believed in Allah and the Last Day and to have given of what Allah has provided for them? Allah knows everything about them. (4:39)

You who believe! Obey Allah and obey the Messenger and those in command among you. If you have a dispute about something, refer it back to Allah and the Messenger, if you believe in Allah and the Last Day. That is the best thing to do and gives the best result. (4:59)

You who believe! Believe in Allah and His Messenger and in the Book He sent down to His Messenger, and the Books He sent down before. Anyone who rejects Allah and His angels and His Books and His Messengers and the Last Day has gone very far astray. (4:136)

But those of them who are firmly rooted in knowledge, and the believers, believe in what has been sent down to you and what was sent down before you: those who perform prayer and give the alms, and believe in Allah and the Last Day—We will pay such people an immense wage. (4:162)

Those who believe and those who are Jews and the Sabaeans and the Christians, all who believe in Allah and the Last Day and act rightly will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (5:69)

The mosques of Allah should only be maintained by those who believe in Allah and the Last Day

and perform prayer and give the alms, and fear no one but Allah. They are the ones most likely to be guided. (9:18)

Do you make the giving of water to the pilgrims and looking after the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) the same as believing in Allah and the Last Day and striving in the Way of Allah? They are not equal in the sight of Allah. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (9:19)

Fight those of the people who were given the Book who do not believe in Allah and the Last Day and who do not make forbidden what Allah and His Messenger have made forbidden and do not take as their religion the religion of Truth, until they pay the poll tax with their own hands in a state of complete abasement. (9:29)

Those who believe in Allah and the Last Day do not ask you to excuse them from striving with their wealth and themselves. Allah knows the people who guard against evil. (9:44)

Only those who do not believe in Allah and the Last Day ask you to excuse them. Their hearts are full of doubt and in their doubt they waver to and fro. (9:45)

And among the desert arabs there are some who believe in Allah and the Last Day and regard what they give as something which will bring them nearer to Allah and to the prayers of the Messenger. It does indeed bring them near. Allah will admit them into His mercy. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:99)

A woman and a man who commit fornication: flog both of them with one hundred lashes and do not let compassion for either of them possess you where Allah's religion is concerned, if you believe in Allah and the Last Day. A number of believers should witness their punishment. (24:2) And to Madyan We sent their brother Shu'ayb, he said, 'My people, worship Allah and look to the Last Day and do not act unjustly on earth, corrupting it.' (29:36)

You have an excellent model in the Messenger of Allah, for all who put their hope in Allah and the Last Day and remember Allah much. (33:21)

You will not find people who believe in Allah and the Last Day having love for anyone who opposes Allah and His Messenger, though they be

their fathers, their sons, their brothers or their clan. Allah has inscribed faith upon such people's hearts and will reinforce them with a Spirit from Him and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. Such people are the party of Allah. Truly it is the party of Allah who are successful. (58:22)

There is an excellent example in them for you to follow, that is for those whose hope is in Allah and the Last Day. But if anyone turns away, Allah is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy. (60:6)

Then when they have reached the end of their waiting period either retain them with correctness and courtesy or part from them with correctness and courtesy. Call two upright men from among yourselves as witnesses and they should carry out the witnessing for Allah. This is admonishment for all who believe in Allah and the Last Day. Whoever has fear of Allah-He will give him a way out. (65:2)

## LAUGHTER

To those who disbelieve, the life of this world is painted in glowing colours and they laugh at those who believe. But on the Day of Rising those who fear Allah will be over them. Allah provides for whoever He wills without any reckoning. (2:212) Let them laugh little and weep much, in repayment for what they have earned. (9:82)

His wife was standing there and she laughed out loud. So We gave her the good news of Ishaq, and beyond Ishaq, Ya'qub. (11:71)

But you made a mockery of them so that they made you forget to remember Me while you were laughing at them. (23:110)

He (Sulayman) smiled, laughing at its words, and said, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing You have bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You, and admit me, by Your mercy, among Your servants who are righteous.' (27:19)

No wonder you are surprised as they laugh with scorn! (37:12)

When they see a Sign they only laugh with scorn. (37:14)

But when he came to them with Our Signs, they merely laughed at them. (43:57)

When an example is made of the son of Maryam your people laugh uproariously. (43:57)

(Has he not been informed) that it is He Who brings about both laughter and tears? (53:43)

Are you then amazed at this discourse and laugh and do not cry, treating life as a game? (53:59-61)

That Day some faces will be radiant, laughing, rejoicing. (80:38-39)

Those who did evil used to laugh at those who believed. (83:29)

So today those who believe are laughing at the disbelievers. (83:34)

## LAW

And We have sent down the Book to you with truth, confirming and conserving the previous Books. So judge between them by what Allah has sent down and do not follow their whims and desires deviating from the Truth that has come to you. We have appointed a law and a practice for every one of you. Had Allah willed, He would have made you a single community, but He wanted to test you regarding what has come to you. So compete with each other in doing good. Every one of you will return to Allah and He will inform you regarding the things about which you differed. (5:48)

## LAWH MAHFUZ (THE PRESERVED TABLET)

Allah erases whatever He wills or endorses it. The Master Copy of the Book is in His Hands. (13:39)

It is in the Source Book with Us, high-exalted, full of wisdom. (43:4)

We know exactly how the earth eats them away. We possess an all-preserving Book. (50:4)

Nothing occurs, either in the earth or in yourselves, without its being in a Book before We make it happen. That is something easy for Allah. (57:22)

No indeed! Truly it is a reminder, and whoever wills pays heed to it. Inscribed on Honoured Pages, inscribed on Honoured Pages, exalted, purified by the hands of scribes, noble, virtuous. (80:11-16)

It is indeed a Glorious Qur'an preserved on a Tablet. (85:21-22)

## LAWFUL

Mankind! Eat what is good and lawful on the earth. And do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He truly is an outright enemy to you. (2:168) On the night of the fast it is lawful for you to have sexual relations with your wives. They are clothing for you and you for them. Allah knows that you have been betraying yourselves and He has turned towards you and excused you. Now you may have sexual intercourse with them and seek what Allah has written for you. Eat and drink until you can clearly discern the white thread from the black thread of the dawn, then fulfil the fast until the night appears. But do not have sexual intercourse with them while you are in retreat in the mosques. These are Allah's limits, so do not go near them. In this way does Allah make His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (2:187)

('Isa said,) 'I come confirming the Torah I find already there, and to make lawful for you some of what was previously forbidden to you. I have brought you a Sign from your Lord. So have fear of Allah and obey me.' (3:50)

All food was lawful for the tribe of Israel except what Israel made unlawful for himself before the Torah was sent down. Say, 'Bring the Torah and read it out if you are telling the truth.' (3:93)

And also married women, except for those you have taken in war as slaves. This is what Allah has prescribed for you. Apart from that He has made all other women lawful for you provided you seek them with your wealth in marriage and not in fornication. When you consummate your marriage with them give them their prescribed dowry. There is nothing wrong in any further agreement you might come to after the dowry has been given. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:24)

Because of wrongdoing on the part of the Jews, We made forbidden for them some good things which had previously been lawful for them; and because of their obstructing many people from the Way of Allah. (4:160)

You who believe! Fulfil your contracts. All live-stock animals are lawful for you, except those that are recited to you now; but it is still not lawful to hunt while you are in the state of pilgrimage. Allah makes whatever judgements He wills. (5:1) They will ask you what is lawful for them. Say: 'All good things are lawful for you, and also what is caught for you by hunting animals which you have trained as Allah has taught you. Eat what they catch for you, mentioning Allah's name over it.' And have fear of Allah. Allah is swift at reckoning. (5:4)

Today all good things have been made lawful for you. And the food of those given the Book is also lawful for you and your food is lawful for them. So are chaste women from among the believers and chaste women of those given the Book before you, once you have given them their dowries in marriage, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. But as for anyone who rejects faith, his actions will come to nothing and in the hereafter he will be among the losers. (5:5)

You who believe! Do not make forbidden the good things Allah has made lawful for you, and do not overstep the limits. Allah does not love people who overstep the limits. (5:87)

(Allah said, 'I will prescribe My mercy for) those who follow the Messenger, the Ummi, whom they find written down with them in the Torah and the Gospel, commanding them to do right and forbidding them to do wrong, making good things lawful for them and bad things forbidden for them, relieving them of their heavy loads and the chains which were around them. Those who believe in him and honour him and help him, and follow the Light that has been sent down with him, they are the ones who are successful.' (7:157)

So make full use of any booty you have taken which is lawful and good; and have fear of Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (8:69)

Say: 'What do you think about the things Allah has sent down to you as provision which you have then designated as lawful and forbidden?' Say: 'Has Allah given you authority to do this or are you inventing lies against Allah?' (10:59)

So eat from what Allah has provided for you, lawful and good, and be thankful for the blessing of

Allah if it is Him you worship. (16:114)  
Do not say about what your lying tongues describe: 'This is lawful and this is forbidden,' inventing lies against Allah. Those who invent lies against Allah are not successful. (16:116)

O Prophet! We have made lawful for you: your wives to whom you have given dowries and any slavegirls you own from the booty Allah has allotted you and the daughters of your paternal uncles and the daughters of your paternal aunts and the daughters of your maternal uncles and the daughters of your maternal aunts who have migrated with you and any believing woman who gives herself to the Prophet if the Prophet desires to marry her: exclusively for you as opposed to the rest of the believers—We know very well what We have prescribed for them regarding their wives and any slavegirls they possess—in order that there be no restriction on you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:50)

After that no other women are lawful for you nor may you exchange them for other wives, even though their beauty might be pleasing to you, with the exception of any you own as slaves. Allah is watchful over all things. (33:52)

You who believe! When women who believe come to you as emigrants, submit them to a test. Allah has best knowledge of their faith. If you know they are believers, do not return them to the disbelievers. They are not lawful for the disbelievers nor are the disbelievers lawful for them. Give the disbelievers whatever dowry they paid. And there is nothing wrong in your marrying them provided you pay them their due. Do not hold to any marriage ties with women who disbelieve. Ask for what you paid and let them ask for what they paid. That is Allah's judgement. Allah will judge between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (60:10)

O Prophet! Why do you make forbidden what Allah has made lawful for you, seeking to please your wives? Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (66:1)

## LAWFUL (HALAL) PROVISIONS

Mankind! Eat what is good and lawful on the earth. And do not follow in the footsteps of Satan.

He truly is an outright enemy to you. (2:168)  
You who believe! Fulfil your contracts. All livestock animals are lawful for you, except those that are recited to you now; but it is still not lawful to hunt while you are in the state of pilgrimage. Allah makes whatever judgements He wills. (5:1)

Today all good things have been made lawful for you. And the food of those given the Book is also lawful for you and your food is lawful for them. So are chaste women from among the believers and chaste women of those given the Book before you, once you have given them their dowries in marriage, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. But as for anyone who rejects faith, his actions will come to nothing and in the hereafter he will be among the losers. (5:5)

Eat the lawful and good things Allah has provided for you, and have fear of Allah, Him in Whom you believe. (5:88)

Anything you catch in the sea is lawful for you, and all food from it, for your enjoyment and that of travellers, but land game is forbidden for you while you are in the state of pilgrimage. So have fear of Allah, Him to Whom you will be gathered. (5:96)

So make full use of any booty you have taken which is lawful and good; and have fear of Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (8:69)

Say: 'What do you think about the things Allah has sent down to you as provision which you have then designated as lawful and forbidden?'

Say: 'Has Allah given you authority to do this or are you inventing lies against Allah?' (10:59)

So eat from what Allah has provided for you, lawful and good, and be thankful for the blessing of Allah if it is Him you worship. (16:114)

## LAWS OF HERITAGE

Give orphans their property, and do not substitute bad things for good. Do not assimilate their property into your own. Doing that is a serious crime. (4:2)

Men receive a share of what their parents and relatives leave and women receive a share of what their parents and relatives leave, a fixed share, no matter whether it is a little or a lot. (4:7)

If other relatives or orphans or poor people attend the sharing-out, provide for them out of it and speak to them correctly and courteously. (4:8)

People should show concern in the same way that they would fear for small children if they were to die leaving them behind. They should have fear of Allah and say words that are appropriate. (4:9)

People who consume the property of orphans wrongfully consume nothing in their bellies except fire. They will roast in a Searing Blaze. (4:10) Allah instructs you regarding your children: A male receives the same as the share of two females. If there are more than two daughters they receive two-thirds of what you leave. If she is one on her own she receives a half. Each of your parents receives a sixth of what you leave if you have children. If you are childless and your heirs are your parents your mother receives a third. If you have brothers or sisters your mother receives a sixth, after any bequest you make or any debts. With regard to your fathers and your sons, you do not know which of them is going to benefit you more. These are obligatory shares from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:11)

You receive half of what your wives leave if they are childless. If they have children you receive a quarter of what they leave after any bequest they make or any debts. They receive a quarter of what you leave if you are childless. If you have children they receive an eighth of what you leave after any bequest you make or any debts. If a man or woman has no direct heirs, but has a brother or sister, each of them receives a sixth. If there are more than that they share in a third after any bequest you make or any debts, making sure that no one's rights are prejudiced. This is an instruction from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Forbearing. (4:12)

You who believe! It is not lawful for you to inherit women by force. Nor may you treat them harshly so that you can make off with part of what you have given them, unless they commit an act of flagrant indecency. Live together with them correctly and courteously. If you dislike them, it may well be that you dislike something in which Allah has placed a lot of good. (4:19)

We have appointed heirs for everything that parents and relatives leave. If you have a bond with people, give them their share. Allah is a witness of all things. (4:33)

They request from you a ruling. Say: 'Allah gives you a ruling about people who die without direct heirs: If a man dies childless but has a sister she receives half of what he leaves, and he is her heir if she dies childless. If there are two sisters they receive two-thirds of what he leaves. If there are brothers and sisters the males receive the share of two females. Allah makes things clear to you so you will not go astray. Allah has knowledge of all things.' (4:176)

You who believe! When one of you is near to death and makes a will, two just men from among you should act as witnesses; or, if you are travelling when the misfortune of death occurs, two men who are strangers to you. You should detain them after prayer and, if you are doubtful, they should swear by Allah: 'We will not sell it for any price, even to a near relative, and we will not conceal the testimony of Allah. If we did we would indeed be wrongdoers.' (5:106)

If it then comes to light that the two of them have merited the allegation of wrongdoing, two others who have the most right to do so should take their place and swear by Allah: 'Our testimony is truer than their testimony. We have not committed perjury. If we had we would indeed be wrongdoers.' (5:107)

That makes it more likely that they will give their evidence properly or be afraid that their oaths will be refuted by subsequent oaths. Have fear of Allah and listen carefully. Allah does not guide deviant people. 5:108)

## LEADER

If they break their oaths after making their treaty and defame your religion, then fight the leaders of disbelief—they have no binding oaths—so that hopefully they will stop. (9:12)

He (Pharaoh) will go ahead of his people on the Day of Rising and lead them down into the Fire. What an evil watering-hole to be led to! (11:98)

We made them leaders, guiding by Our command, and revealed to them how to do good actions and

perform prayer and give the alms, and they worshipped Us. (21:73)

We desired to show kindness to those who were oppressed in the land and to make them leaders and make them inheritors. (28:5)

We made them leaders, summoning to the Fire, and on the Day of Rising they will not be helped. (28:41)

We appointed leaders from among them, guiding by Our command when they were steadfast and when they had certainty about Our Signs. (32:24)

### **LEAF**

The keys of the Unseen are in His possession. No one knows them but Him. He knows everything in the land and sea. No leaf falls without His knowing it. There is no seed in the darkness of the earth, and nothing moist or dry which is not in a Clear Book. (6:59)

So he (Satan) enticed them to do it by means of trickery. Then when they tasted the tree, their private parts were disclosed to them and they started stitching together the leaves of the Garden in order to cover themselves. Their Lord called out to them, 'Did I not forbid you this tree and say to you, "Satan is an outright enemy to you!"?' (7:22)

He (Musa) said, 'It is my staff. I lean on it and beat down leaves for my sheep with it and have other uses for it.' (20:18)

So the two of them ate from it and their private parts were disclosed to them and they started stitching together the leaves of the Garden to cover themselves. Adam disobeyed his Lord and became misled. (20:121)

He laid out the earth for all living creatures. In it are fruits and date-palms with covered spathes, and grains on leafy stems and fragrant herbs. (55:10-12)

### **LEFT**

(Satan said,) 'Then I will come at them, from in front of them and behind them, from their right and from their left. You will not find most of them thankful.' (7:17)

Do they not see the things Allah has created, casting their shadows to the right and to the left, prostrating themselves before Allah in complete

humility? (16:48)

You would have seen the sun, when it rose, inclining away from their cave towards the right, and, when it set, leaving them behind on the left, while they were lying in an open part of it. That was one of Allah's Signs. Whoever Allah guides is truly guided. But if He misguides someone, you will find no protector for them to guide them rightly. (18:17)

You would have supposed them to be awake whereas in fact they were asleep. We moved them to the right and to the left, and, at the entrance, their dog stretched out its paws. If you had looked down and seen them, you would have turned from them and run and have been filled with terror at the sight of them. (18:18)

There was also a sign for Saba in their dwelling place: two gardens—one to the right and one to the left. 'Eat of your Lord's provision and give thanks to Him: a bountiful land and a forgiving Lord.' (34:15)

And the two recording angels are recording, sitting on the right and on the left. (50:17)

But as for him who is given his Book in his left hand, he will say, 'If only I had not been given my Book.' (69:25)

What is the matter with those who disbelieve? They run about in front of you, with outstretched necks and staring eyes, on the right and on the left in scattered groups! (70:36-37)

Those who reject Our signs, they are the Companions of the Left. (90:19)

### **LEGION**

It is He Who sent down serenity into the hearts of the believers thereby increasing their faith with more faith—the legions of the heavens and the earth belong to Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (48:4)

The legions of the heavens and the earth belong to Allah. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (48:7)

We have only appointed angels as masters of the Fire and We have only specified their number as a trial for those who disbelieve; so that those who were given the Book might gain in certainty, and those who believe might increase in their faith, and both those who were given the Book and the

believers might have no doubt; and so that those with sickness in their hearts and the disbelievers might say, 'What did Allah intend by this example?' In this way Allah misguides those He wills and guides those He wills. No one knows the legions of your Lord but Him. This is nothing but a reminder to all human beings. (74:31)

Has the story reached you of the legions? (85:17)

### LENTIL

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces—its green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,' he said, 'Do you want to replace what is better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.' Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon themselves. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

### LEPER

He will teach him ('Isa) the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel, as a Messenger to the tribe of Israel, saying: 'I have brought you a Sign from your Lord. I will create the shape of a bird out of clay for you and then breathe into it and it will be a bird by Allah's permission. I will heal the blind and the leper, and bring the dead to life, by Allah's permission. I will tell you what you eat and what you store up in your homes. There is a Sign for you in that if you are believers.' (3:48-49)

Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to your mother when I reinforced you with the Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth

the dead by My permission; and when I held back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but downright magic!'" (5:110)

### LESSON

As for thieves, both male and female, cut off their hands in reprisal for what they have done: an object lesson from Allah. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (5:38)

And there is certainly a lesson for you in your livestock. We give you to drink from what is in their bellies and there are many ways in which you benefit from them, and some of them you eat. (23:21)

Allah revolves night and day. There is surely a lesson in that for people with inner sight. (24:44)

### LIE

Among them is a group who distort the Book with their tongues so that you think it is from the Book when it is not from the Book. They say, 'It is from Allah,' but it is not from Allah. They tell a lie against Allah and they know it. (3:78)

So any who, after this, invent a lie against Allah are indeed wrongdoers. (3:94)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs? The wrongdoers are certainly not successful. (6:21)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs, or who says, 'It has been revealed to me,' when nothing has been revealed to him, or someone who says, 'I will send down the same as Allah has sent down'? If you could only see the wrongdoers in the throes of death when the angels are stretching out their hands, saying, 'Disgorge your own selves! Today you will be repaid with the punishment of humiliation for saying something other than the truth about Allah, and being arrogant about His Signs.' (6:93)

Those who kill their children foolishly without any knowledge and make what Allah has provided for them forbidden, inventing lies against Allah, such people are lost. They are misguided.

They are not guided. (6:140)

And a pair of camels and a pair of cattle—Say: ‘Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Were you then witnesses when Allah gave you this instruction?’ Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah thus leading people astray without any knowledge? Allah does not guide the people of the wrongdoers. (6:144)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs? Such people’s portion of the Book will catch up with them so that when Our messengers come to them to take them in death, saying, ‘Where are those you called upon besides Allah?’ they will say, ‘They have forsaken us,’ testifying against themselves that they were disbelievers. (7:37)

(Shu’ayb said,) ‘We would be inventing lies against Allah if we returned to your religion after Allah has saved us from it. We could never return to it unless Allah our Lord so willed. Our Lord encompasses everything in His knowledge. We have put our trust in Allah. Our Lord, judge between us and our people with truth. You are the best of judges.’ (7:89)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs? Evildoers are certainly not successful. (10:17)

Say: ‘What do you think about the things Allah has sent down to you as provision which you have then designated as lawful and forbidden?’

Say: ‘Has Allah given you authority to do this or are you inventing lies against Allah?’ (10:59)  
What will those who invent lies against Allah think on the Day of Rising? Allah shows favour to mankind but most of them are not thankful. (10:60)

Say: ‘People who invent lies against Allah will not be successful.’ (10:69)

Who could do greater wrong than those who invent lies against Allah? Such people will be arrayed before their Lord and the witnesses will say, ‘Those are the ones who lied against their Lord.’ Yes indeed! Allah’s curse is on the wrongdoers. (11:18)

Those who do not believe in Allah’s Signs are

merely inventing lies. It is they who are the liars. (16:105)

Do not say about what your lying tongues describe: ‘This is lawful and this is forbidden,’ inventing lies against Allah. Those who invent lies against Allah are not successful. (16:116)

(The Companions of the Cave said,) ‘These people of ours have taken gods apart from Him. Why do they not produce a clear authority concerning them? Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents a lie against Allah?’ (18:15)

That is it. If someone honours Allah’s sacred things, that is better for him in his Lord’s sight. All livestock are permitted to you except what has already been recited to you. Have done with the defilement of idols and have done with telling lies. (22:30)

(The ruling circle of his people said,) ‘What is he but a man who has invented a lie against Allah? We do not believe in him.’ (23:38)

There is a group of you who propagated the lie. Do not suppose it to be bad for you; rather it is good for you. Every one of them will incur the evil he has earned and the one who took it on himself to amplify it will receive a terrible punishment. (24:11)

Why, when you heard it, did you not, as men and women of the believers, instinctively think good thoughts and say, ‘This is obviously a lie?’ (24:12)  
Those who disbelieve say, ‘This is nothing but a lie he has invented and other people have helped him to do it. They have brought injustice and falsehood.’ (25:4)

(Ibrahim said to his people,) ‘Instead of Allah you worship only idols. You are inventing a lie. Those you worship besides Allah have no power to provide for you. So seek your provision from Allah and worship Him and give thanks to Him. It is to Him you will be returned.’ (29:17)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies the truth when it comes to him? Is there not shelter in Hell for the disbelievers? (29:68)

(Those who disbelieve say,) ‘Has he invented a lie against Allah or is he possessed?’ No indeed! Those who do not believe in the hereafter are in punishment and deeply misguided. (34:8)

When Our Clear Signs are recited to them, they say, 'This is nothing but a man who wants to debar you from what your fathers used to worship.' They say, 'This is nothing but an invented lie.' Those who disbelieve say to the truth when it comes to them, 'This is nothing but downright magic.' (34:43)

Or do they ask, 'Has he invented a lie about Allah?' If Allah willed, He could seal up your heart. By His Words Allah wipes out the false and confirms the truth. He knows what the heart contains. (42:24)

Woe to every wicked liar. (45:7)

O Prophet! When women who believe come to you pledging allegiance to you on the grounds that they will not associate anything with Allah or steal or fornicate or kill their children or give a false ascription of paternity—making up lies about their bodies—or disobey you in respect of anything right, then accept their pledge and ask forgiveness for them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (60:12)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents a lie against Allah when he has been called to Islam? Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (61:7)

## LIGHT

Allah is the Protector of those who believe. He brings them out of the darkness into the light. But those who disbelieve have false gods as protectors. They take them from the light into the darkness. Those are the Companions of the Fire remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:257)

Mankind! A clear proof has come to you from your Lord. We have sent down a Clear Light to you. (4:174)

People of the Book! Our Messenger has come to you, making clear to you much of the Book that you have kept concealed, and passing over a lot. A Light has come to you from Allah and a Clear Book. (5:15)

By it, Allah guides those who follow what pleases Him to the ways of Peace. He will bring them from the darkness to the light by His permission, and guide them to a straight path. (5:16) We sent down the Torah containing guidance

and light, and the Prophets who had submitted themselves gave judgement by it for the Jews—as did their scholars and their rabbis—by what they had been allowed to preserve of Allah's Book to which they were witnesses. Do not be afraid of people, be afraid of Me. And do not sell My Signs for a paltry price. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are disbelievers. (5:44)

And We sent 'Isa son of Maryam following in their footsteps, confirming the Torah that came before him. We gave him the Gospel containing guidance and light, confirming the Torah that came before it, and as guidance and admonition for those who guard against evil. (5:46)

Praise belongs to Allah Who created the heavens and the earth and appointed darkness and light. Then those who disbelieve make others equal to their Lord! (6:1)

They do not measure Allah with His true measure when they say, 'Allah would not send down anything to a mere human being.' Say: 'Who, then, sent down the Book which Musa brought as a Light and Guidance for the people? You put it down on sheets of paper to display it while concealing much. You were taught things you did not know, neither you nor your forefathers. Say: 'Allah!' Then leave them engrossed in playing their games. (6:91)

Is someone who was dead and whom We brought to life, supplying him with a light by which to walk among people, the same as someone who is in utter darkness, unable to emerge from it? That is how what they were doing is made to seem attractive to the disbelievers. (6:122)

(Allah said, 'Believers are) those who follow the Messenger, the Ummi, whom they find written down with them in the Torah and the Gospel, commanding them to do right and forbidding them to do wrong, making good things lawful for them and bad things forbidden for them, relieving them of their heavy loads and the chains which were around them. Those who believe in him and honour him and help him, and follow the Light that has been sent down with him, they are the ones who are successful.' (7:157)

They desire to extinguish Allah's Light with their mouths. But Allah refuses to do other than perfect His Light, even though the disbelievers detect it. (9:32)

It is He Who appointed the sun to give radiance, and the moon to give light, assigning it phases so you would know the number of years and the reckoning of time. Allah did not create these things except with truth. We make the Signs clear for people who know. (10:5)

They want you to hasten the bad rather than the good when examples of punishment are there before them in the past. Your Lord has forgiveness for people for their wrongdoing; but your Lord is also severe in retribution. (13:6)

Alif Lam Ra. This is a Book We have sent down to you so that you can bring mankind from the darkness to the light, by the permission of their Lord, to the Path of the Almighty, the Praiseworthy. (14:1)

We sent Musa with Our Signs: 'Bring your people from the darkness to the light and remind them of the Days of Allah.' There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast, thankful. (14:5)

Allah is the Light of the heavens and the earth. The metaphor of His Light is that of a niche in which is a lamp, the lamp inside a glass, the glass like a brilliant star, lit from a blessed tree, an olive, neither of the east nor of the west, its oil all but giving off light even if no fire touches it. Light upon Light. Allah guides to His Light whoever He wills and Allah makes metaphors for mankind and Allah has knowledge of all things. (24:35)

Or they are like the darkness of a fathomless sea which is covered by waves above which are waves above which are clouds, layers of darkness, one upon the other. If he puts out his hand, he can scarcely see it. Those Allah gives no light to, they have no light. (24:40)

It is He Who calls down blessing on you, as do His angels, to bring you out of the darkness into the light. He is Most Merciful to the believers. (33:43)

O Prophet! We have sent you as a witness, and a bringer of good news and a warner, and a caller to Allah by His permission and a light-giving

lamp. (33:45-46)

And the earth will shine with the Pure Light of its Lord; the Book will be put in place; the Prophets and witnesses will be brought; it will be decided between them with the truth; and they will not be wronged. (39:69)

Accordingly We have revealed to you a Spirit by Our command. You had no idea of what the Book was, nor faith. Nonetheless We have made it a Light by which We guide those of Our servants We will. Truly you are guiding to a Straight Path. (42:52)

It is He Who sends down Clear Signs to His servant to bring you out of the darkness to the light. Allah is All-Gentle with you, Most Merciful. (57:9)

On the Day you see the men and women of the believers, with their light streaming out in front of them, and to their right: 'Good news for you today of Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the Great Victory.' (57:12)

That Day the men and women of the hypocrites will say to those who believe, 'Wait for us so that we can borrow some of your light.' They will be told, 'Go back and look for light!' And a wall will be erected between them with a gate in it, on the inside of which there will be mercy but before whose exterior lies the punishment. (57:13)

Those who believe in Allah and His Messengers—such people are the truly sincere—and the martyrs who are with their Lord will receive their wages and their light. But those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs, will be Companions of the Blazing Fire. (57:19)

You who believe! Have fear of Allah and believe in His Messenger. He will give you a double portion of His mercy and grant you a Light by which to walk and forgive you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (57:28)

So believe in Allah and His Messenger and in the Light We have sent down. Allah is aware of what you do. (64:8)

(Allah has sent down) a Messenger reciting Allah's Clear Signs to you to bring those who believe and do right actions out of the darkness into the Light. Whoever believes in Allah and acts

rightly, We will admit him into Gardens with rivers flowing under them remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah has provided for him excellently! (65:11)

You who believe! Repent to Allah. It may be that your Lord will erase your bad actions from you and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them on the Day when Allah will not disgrace the Prophet and those who believed along with him. Their light will stream out ahead of them and on their right. They will say, 'Our Lord, perfect our light for us and forgive us! You have power over all things.' (66:8)

Do you not see how He created seven heavens in layers, and placed the moon as a light in them and made the sun a blazing lamp? (71:15-16)

## LIGHTNING

Or (their likeness is) that of a storm-cloud in the sky, full of darkness, thunder and lightning. They put their fingers in their ears against the thunder-claps, fearful of death. Allah encompasses the disbelievers. (2:19)

The lightning all but takes away their sight. Whenever they have light, they walk in it but whenever darkness covers them, they halt. If Allah wished, He could take away their hearing and their sight. Allah has power over all things. (2:20)

The People of the Book will ask you to bring down a Book from heaven to them. They asked Musa for even more than that. They said, 'Let us see Allah with our own eyes.' So the lightning-bolt struck them down for their wrongdoing. Then they adopted the Calf after the Clear Signs had come to them, but We pardoned them for that and gave Musa clear authority. (4:153)

It is He Who shows you the lightning, striking fear and bringing hope; it is He Who heaps up the heavy clouds. (13:12)

Do you not see that Allah propels the clouds then makes them coalesce then heaps them up, and then you see the rain come pouring out of the middle of them? And He sends down mountains from the sky with hail inside them, striking with it anyone He wills and averting it from anyone He wills. The brightness of His lightning almost

blinds the sight. (24:43)

Among His Signs is that He shows you lightning, a source of fear and eager hope, and sends down water from the sky, bringing the dead earth back to life by it. There are certainly Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (30:24)

If they turn away, then say, 'I warn you of a lightning-bolt like the lightning-bolt of 'Ad and of Thamud.' (41:13)

As for Thamud, We guided them, but they preferred blindness to guidance. So the lightning-bolt of the punishment of humiliation seized them on account of what they earned. (41:17)

## LIKENESS

Their likeness is that of people who light a fire, and then when it has lit up all around them, Allah removes their light. (2:17)

The likeness of those who disbelieve is that of the beast which, call out to it as one may, can hear nothing but a shout and a cry. Deaf-dumb-blind. They do not use their intellect. (2:171)

You who believe! Do not nullify your charity by demands for gratitude or insulting words, like him who spends his wealth, showing off to people and not believing in Allah and the Last Day. His likeness is that of a smooth rock coated with soil, which, when heavy rain falls on it, is left stripped bare. They have no power over anything they have earned. Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (2:264)

The likeness of 'Isa in Allah's sight is the same as Adam. He created him from earth and then He said to him, 'Be!' and he was. (3:59)

The likeness of the two groups is that of the blind and deaf and the seeing and hearing. Are they the same as one another? So will you not pay heed? (11:24)

Those who do not believe in the akhira have an evil likeness. Allah's is the Highest Likeness. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (16:60)

Look how they make likenesses of you and go astray. They are unable to find their way. (17:48) They bring you no similitude but We bring you the truth and the best of explanations (as against it). (25:33)

He makes likenesses of Us and forgets his own

creation, saying, ‘Who will give life to bones when they are decayed?’ (36:78)

Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and those who are with him are fierce to the disbelievers, merciful to one another. You see them bowing and prostrating, seeking Allah’s good favour and His pleasure. Their mark is on their faces, the traces of prostration. That is their likeness in the Torah. And their likeness in the Gospel is that of a seed which puts up a shoot and makes it strong so that it thickens and grows up straight upon its stalk, filling the sowers with delight—so that by them He may infuriate the disbelievers. Allah has promised those of them who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (48:29)

### LINING

They will be reclining on couches lined with rich brocade, the fruits of the Gardens hanging close to hand. (55:54)

### LION

What is the matter with them that they run from the Reminder like panicked donkeys, fleeing from a lion? (74:49-51)

### LIP

The Fire will sear their faces, making them grimace horribly in it, their lips drawn back from their teeth. (23:104)

Have We not given him two eyes, and a tongue and two lips and shown him the two highways? (90:8-10)

### LITTLE BY LITTLE

We have divided up the Qur'an, so you can recite it to mankind at intervals, and We have sent it down little by little. (17:106)

It is We Who have sent the Qur'an down to you little by little. (76:23)

### LIVELIHOOD

We have established you firmly on the earth and granted you your livelihood in it. What little thanks you show! (7:10)

And We put livelihoods in it both for you and for

those you do not provide for. (15:20)

Is it, then, they who allocate the mercy of your Lord? We have allocated their livelihood among them in the life of this world and raised some of them above others in rank so that some of them are subservient to others. But the mercy of your Lord is better than anything they amass. (43:32) We made the day for earning a living. (78:11)

### LIVESTOCK

To mankind the love of worldly appetites is painted in glowing colours: women and children, and heaped-up mounds of gold and silver, and horses with fine markings, and livestock and fertile farmland. All that is merely the enjoyment of the life of this world. The best homecoming is in the presence of Allah. (3:14)

You who believe! Fulfil your contracts. All livestock animals are lawful for you, except those that are recited to you now; but it is still not lawful to hunt while you are in the state of pilgrimage. Allah makes whatever judgements He wills. (5:1)

You who believe! Do not kill game while you are in the state of pilgrimage. If one of you kills any deliberately, the reprisal for it is a livestock animal equivalent to what he killed, as judged by two just men among you, a sacrifice to reach the Kaaba, or expiation by feeding the poor, or fasting commensurate with that, so that he may taste the evil consequences of what he did. Allah has pardoned all that took place in the past; but if anyone does it again Allah will take revenge on him. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (5:95)

They assign to Allah a share of the crops and livestock He has created, saying, ‘This is for Allah,’—as they allege—‘and this is for our idols.’ Their idols’ share does not reach Allah whereas Allah’s share reaches their idols! What an evil judgement they make! (6:136)

And He created livestock. There is warmth for you in them, and various uses and some you eat. (16:5)

Announce the Pilgrimage to mankind. They will come to you on foot and on every sort of lean animal, coming by every distant road so that they

can be present at what will profit them and invoke Allah's name on specific days over livestock He has provided for them. Eat of them and feed those who are poor and in need. (22:27-28) That is it. If someone honours Allah's sacred things, that is better for him in his Lord's sight. All livestock are permitted to you except what has already been recited to you. Have done with the defilement of idols and have done with telling lies. (22:30)

We have appointed a rite of sacrifice for every nation so that they may invoke Allah's name over the livestock He has given them. Your God is One God so submit to Him. Give good news to the humble-hearted. (22:34)

And there is certainly a lesson for you in your livestock. We give you to drink from what is in their bellies and there are many ways in which you benefit from them, and some of them you eat. (23:21)

Have fear of Him Who has supplied you with what you know, supplied you with livestock and children. (26:132-133)

Do they not see how We drive water to barren land and bring forth crops by it which their livestock and they themselves both eat? So will they not see? (32:27)

And mankind and beasts and livestock are likewise of varying colours. Only those of His servants with knowledge have fear of Allah. Allah is Almighty, Ever-Forgiving. (35:28)

Have they not seen how We created for them, by Our own handiwork, livestock which are under their control? (36:71)

He created you from a single self, then produced its mate from it, and sent down livestock to you—eight kinds in pairs. He creates you stage by stage in your mothers' wombs in a threefold darkness. That is Allah, your Lord. Sovereignty is His. There is no god but Him. So what has made you deviate? (39:6)

It is Allah Who has given you livestock, some for you to ride and some to eat. (40:79)

(He is) the Bringer into Being of the heavens and the earth: He has given you mates from among yourselves, and given mates to the livestock, in that way multiplying you. Nothing is like Him.

He is the All-Hearing, the All-Seeing. (42:11)  
It is He Who created all the species and gave you ships and livestock for you to ride. (43:12)  
And (He) made the mountains firm, for you and for your livestock to enjoy. (79:32-33)  
Then We make grain grow in it, and grapes and herbs and olives and dates and luxuriant gardens and orchards and meadows, for you and your livestock to enjoy. (80:27-32)

### **LOCUST**

So We sent down on them floods, locusts, lice, frogs and blood, Signs, clear and distinct, but they proved arrogant and were an evildoing people. (7:133)

They will emerge from their graves with downcast eyes, like swarming locusts. (54:7)

### **LONGING**

You were longing for death before you met it. Now you have seen it with your own eyes. (3:143)

Do not direct your eyes longingly to what We have given certain of them to enjoy. Do not feel sad concerning them. And take the believers under your wing. (15:88)

Do not direct your eyes longingly to what We have given certain of them to enjoy, the flower of the life of this world, so that We can test them by it. Your Lord's provision is better and longer lasting. (20:131)

### **LOSS**

Those who break Allah's contract after it has been agreed, and sever what Allah has commanded to be joined, and cause corruption on the earth, it is they who are the lost. (2:27)

Then after that you turned away, and were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, you would have been among the lost. (2:64)

Those to whom We have given the Book, who recite it in the way it should be recited, such people believe in it. As for those who reject it, they are the losers. (2:121)

We will test you with a certain amount of fear and hunger and loss of wealth and life and fruits. But give good news to the steadfast. (2:155)

You who believe! If you obey those who disbelieve, they will turn you round on your heels and you will be transformed into losers. (3:149)

(Satan said,) 'I will lead them astray and fill them with false hopes. I will command them and they will cut off cattle's ears. I will command them and they will change Allah's creation.' Anyone who takes Satan as his protector in place of Allah has clearly lost everything. (4:119)

Today all good things have been made lawful for you. And the food of those given the Book is also lawful for you and your food is lawful for them. So are chaste women from among the believers and chaste women of those given the Book before you, once you have given them their dowries in marriage, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. But as for anyone who rejects faith, his actions will come to nothing and in the hereafter he will be among the losers. (5:5)

So his lower self persuaded him to kill his brother, and he killed him and became one of the lost. (5:30)

Those who believe say, 'Are these the people who swore by Allah, with their most earnest oaths, that they were with you?' Their actions have come to nothing and they now are losers. (5:53)

Say: 'To whom does everything in the heavens and earth belong?' Say: 'To Allah.' He has made mercy incumbent on Himself. He will gather you to the Day of Rising about which there is no doubt. As for those who have lost their own selves, they have no faith. (6:12)

Those We have given the Book recognise it as they recognise their own children. As for those who have lost their own selves, they have no faith. (6:20)

Those who deny the meeting with Allah have lost, so that, when the Hour comes upon them suddenly, they will say, 'Alas for what we neglected there!' They will bear their burdens on their backs. How evil is what they bear! (6:31)

Those who kill their children foolishly without any knowledge and make what Allah has provided for them forbidden, inventing lies against Allah, such people are lost. They are misguided. They are not guided. (6:140)

As for those whose scales are light, they are the ones who have lost their own selves because they wrongfully rejected Our Signs. (7:9)

They said, 'Our Lord, we have wronged ourselves. If you do not forgive us and have mercy on us, we will be among the lost.' (7:23)

What are they waiting for but its fulfilment? The Day its fulfilment occurs, those who forgot it before will say, 'The Messengers of our Lord came with the Truth. Are there any intercessors to intercede for us, or can we be sent back so that we can do something other than what we did?' They have lost their own selves and what they invented has forsaken them. (7:53)

The ruling circle of those of his people who disbelieved said, 'If you follow Shu'ayb, you will definitely be lost.' (7:90)

As for those who denied Shu'ayb, it was as if they had never lived there. It was the people who denied Shu'ayb who were the lost. (7:92)

Do they feel secure against Allah's devising? No one feels secure against Allah's devising except for those who are lost. (7:99)

When they took full stock of what they had done and saw they had been misled, they said, 'If our Lord does not have mercy on us and forgive us, we will certainly be among the lost.' (7:149)

Whoever Allah guides is truly guided; but those He misguides are the lost. (7:178)

(It is) so that Allah can sift the bad out from the good, and pile the bad on top of one another, heaping them all together, and tip them into Hell.

They are the lost. (8:37)

Like those before you who had greater strength than you and more wealth and children. They enjoyed their portion; so enjoy your portion as those before you enjoyed theirs. You have plunged into defamation as they plunged into it. The actions of such people come to nothing in this world or the hereafter. They are the lost. (9:69)

On the day We gather them together—when it will seem if they had tarried no more than an hour of a single day—they will recognise one another. Those who denied the meeting with Allah will have lost. They were not guided. (10:45)

And on no account be among those who deny

Allah's Signs and so become one of the lost. (10:95)

Those are the people who have lost their own selves. What they invented has abandoned them. (11:21)

Without question they will be the greatest losers in the hereafter. (11:22)

He (Nuh) said, 'My Lord, I seek refuge with You from asking You for anything about which I have no knowledge. If You do not forgive me and have mercy on me, I will be among the lost.' (11:47)

He (Salih) said, 'My people! What do you think? If I were to possess a Clear Sign from my Lord and He had given me mercy from Him: who would help me against Allah if I disobeyed Him? You would not increase me in anything but loss.' (11:63)

We send down in the Qur'an that which is a healing and a mercy to the believers, but it only increases the wrongdoers in loss. (17:82)

Both gardens yielded their crops and did not suffer any loss, and We made a river flow right through the middle of them. (18:33)

Say: 'Shall I inform you of the greatest losers in their actions?' (18:103)

They desired to trap him but We made them the losers. (21:70)

Among the people there is one who worships Allah right on the edge. If good befalls him, he is content with it, but if a trial befalls him, he reverts to his former ways, losing both this world and the hereafter. That is indeed sheer loss. (22:11)

If you were to obey a human being like yourselves, you would, in that case, definitely be the losers. (23:34)

Those whose scales are light, they are the losers of their selves, remaining in Hell timelessly, for ever. (23:103)

Say: 'Allah is a sufficient witness between me and you.' He knows everything in the heavens and the earth. Those who believe in falsehood and reject Allah, they are the losers. (29:52)

It is He Who made you representatives on the earth. So whoever disbelieves, his disbelief is against himself. In Allah's sight, the disbelief of the disbelievers only increases their loathsome-ness; the disbelief of the disbelievers only in-

creases their loss. (35:39)

Say: 'It is Allah I worship, making my religion sincerely His, so worship anything you will apart from Him!' Say: 'The real losers are those who lose themselves and their families on the Day of Rising.' Is not that clear loss? (39:14-15)

The keys of the heavens and earth belong to Him. It is those who reject Allah's Signs who are the losers. (39:63)

It has been revealed to you and those before you: 'If you associate others with Allah, your actions will come to nothing and you will be among the losers.' (39:65)

We sent Messengers before you. Some of them We have told you about and others We have not told you about. No Messenger can bring a Sign except with Allah's permission. But when Allah's command comes the matter will be decided with truth and then and there the liars will be lost. (40:78)

But when they saw Our violent force their faith was of no use to them. That is the pattern Allah has always followed with His servants. Then and there the disbelievers were lost. (40:85)

(Skins of the enemies of Allah will say,) 'It is that thought you had about your Lord that has destroyed you so now you find yourselves among the lost.' (41:23)

We have assigned close comrades to them who have made what is before them and behind them seem good to them. And the statement about the nations, both of jinn and men, who passed away before them has proved true of them as well. Certainly they were lost. (41:25)

You will see them as they are exposed to it, abject in their abasement, glancing around them furtively. Those who believe will say, 'Truly the losers are those who lose themselves and their families on the Day of Rising.' The wrongdoers are in an everlasting punishment. (42:45)

The kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs to Allah and, on the Day that the Hour arrives, that Day the liars will be lost. (45:27)

Those are people of whom the statement about the nations, both of jinn and men, who passed away before them, has also proved true; truly they were the lost. (46:18)

Satan has gained mastery over them and made them forget the remembrance of Allah. Such people are the party of Satan. No indeed! It is the party of Satan who are the losers. (58:19)

You who believe! Do not let your wealth or children divert you from the remembrance of Allah. Whoever does that is lost. (63:9)

On the Day He gathers you for the Day of Gathering—that is the Day of Profit and Loss. As for those who believe in Allah and act rightly, We will erase their bad actions from them and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. That is the Great Victory! (64:9)

They tasted the evil consequences of what they did and the end of their affair was total loss. (65:9) Nuh said, 'My Lord, they have disobeyed me and followed those whose wealth and children have only increased them in loss.' (71:21)

By the Late Afternoon, truly man is in loss—except for those who believe and do right actions and urge each other to the truth and urge each other to steadfastness. (103:1-3)

## **LOT (SEE LUT (AS))**

### **LOTE TREE**

But they turned away so We unleashed against them the flood from the great dam and exchanged their two gardens for two others containing bitter-tasting plants and tamarisk and a few lotus trees. (34:16)

He saw him again another time by the Lote-tree of the Final Limit, beside which is the Garden of Refuge, when that which covered the Lote-tree covered it. (53:13-16)

### **LOUSE**

So We sent down on them floods, locusts, lice, frogs and blood, Signs, clear and distinct, but they proved arrogant and were an evildoing people. (7:133)

### **LOVE**

Some people set up equals to Allah, loving them as they should love Allah. But those who believe have greater love for Allah. If only you could see

those who do wrong at the time when they see the punishment, and that truly all strength belongs to Allah, and that Allah is severe in punishment. (2:165)

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

Some city women said, 'The governor's wife solicited her slave. He's fired her heart with love. We see that she's the one to blame.' (12:30)

As for those who believe and do right actions, the All-Merciful will bestow His love on them. (19:96)

He said, 'Your request has been granted, Musa. We were gracious to you another time when We revealed to your mother: "Place him into the box and throw it into the sea and the sea will wash it up on the shore, where an enemy of Mine and his will pick it up." I showered you with love from Me so that you would be brought up under My supervision.' (20:36-39)

He (Sulayman) said, 'Truly do I love the love of good, with a view to the glory of my Lord until the sun disappeared behind its veil.' (38:32)

That is the good news which Allah gives to His servants who believe and do right actions. Say: 'I do not ask you for any wage for this—except for you to love your near of kin. If anyone does a good action, We will increase the good of it for him. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Ever-Thankful.' (42:23)

You will not find people who believe in Allah and the Last Day having love for anyone who opposes Allah and His Messenger, though they be their fathers, their sons, their brothers or their clan .Allah has inscribed faith upon such people's hearts and will reinforce them with a Spirit

from Him and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. Such people are the party of Allah. Truly it is the party of Allah who are successful. (58:22)

You who believe! Do not take My enemy and your enemy as friends, showing love for them when they have rejected the truth that has come to you, driving out the Messenger and yourselves simply because you believe in Allah your Lord. If you go out to strive in My Way and seeking My pleasure, keeping secret the love you have for them, I know best what you conceal and what you make known. Any of you who do that have strayed from the right way. (60:1)

It may well be that Allah will restore the love between you and those of them who are now your enemies. Allah is All-Powerful. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (60:7)

They give food, despite their love for it, to the poor and orphans and captives: (76:8)

Truly he is fierce in his love of wealth. (100:8)

### **LUQMAN (AS)**

We gave Luqman wisdom: 'Give thanks to Allah. Whoever gives thanks only does so to his own good. Whoever is ungrateful, Allah is Rich Beyond Need, Praiseworthy.' When Luqman said to his son, counselling him, 'My son, do not associate anything with Allah. Associating others with Him is a terrible wrong.' (31:12-13)

(Luqman said,) 'My son, even if something weighs as little as a mustard-seed and is inside a rock or anywhere else in the heavens or earth, Allah will bring it out. Allah is All-Pervading, All-Aware. My son, perform prayer and command what is right and forbid what is wrong and be steadfast in the face of all that happens to you. That is certainly the most resolute course to follow. Do not avert your face from people out of haughtiness and do not strut about arrogantly on the earth. Allah does not love anyone who is vain or boastful. Be moderate in your tread and lower your voice. The most hateful of voices is the donkey's bray.' (31:16-19)

### **LUT (AS) (LOT)**

And Isma'il, al-Yasa', Yunus and Lut. All of them We favoured over all beings. (6:86)

And Lut, when he said to his people, 'Do you commit an obscenity not perpetrated before you by anyone in all the worlds? You come with lust to men instead of women. You are indeed a depraved people.' The only answer of his people was to say, 'Expel them from your city! They are people who keep themselves pure!' So We rescued him and his family—except for his wife. She was one of those who stayed behind. We rained down a rain upon them. See the final fate of the evildoers! (7:80-84)

When he (Ibrahim) saw that their hands were not reaching for it, he suspected them and felt afraid of them. They said, 'Have no fear! We have been sent to the people of Lut.' (11:70)

When the feeling of fear left Ibrahim, and the good news reached him, he disputed with Us about the people of Lut. (11:74)

When Our messengers came to Lut, he was distressed for them, and very concerned for them, and said, 'This is a dreadful day.' His people came running to him excitedly—they were long used to committing evil acts. He said, 'My people, here are my daughters. They are purer for you. So have fear of Allah and do not shame me with my guests. Is there not one rightly-guided man among you?' They said, 'You know we have no claim on your daughters. You know very well what it is we want.' He said, 'If only I had the strength to combat you or could take refuge in some powerful support!' They said, 'Lut, we are messengers from your Lord. They will not be able to get at you. Set out with your family—except for your wife—in the middle of the night and none of you should look back. What strikes them will strike her as well. Their promised appointment is the morning. Is the morning not close at hand?' When Our command came, We turned their cities upside down and rained down on them stones of hard baked clay, piled on top of one another in layers, each one earmarked by your Lord. And they are never far from the wrongdoers. (11:77-83)

(Shu'ayb said,) 'My people! Do not let your

breach with me provoke you into doing wrong so that the same thing happens to you as happened to the people of Nuh and the people of Hud and the people of Salih; and the people of Lut are not far distant from you.' (11:89)

(Lut said,) 'Have fear of Allah and do not dishonour me.' They said, 'Did we not forbid you to play host to anyone at all?' He said, 'Here are my daughters if you are determined to do something.' By your life! They were wandering blindly in their drunkenness! So the Great Blast seized hold of them at the break of day. We turned the place completely upside down and rained down on them stones of hard-baked clay. There are certainly Signs in that for the discerning. They were beside a road which still exists. There is certainly a Sign in that for the believers. (15:69-77)

We gave right judgement and knowledge to Lut and rescued him from the city which committed disgusting acts. They were evil people who were deviators. We admitted him into Our mercy. He was one of the righteous. (21:74-75)

He (Lut) said, 'These are my guests so do not put me to shame.' (15:68)

The people of Lut denied the Messengers, when their brother Lut said to them, 'Will you not guard against evil? I am a faithful Messenger to you. So have fear of Allah and obey me. I do not ask you for any wage for it. My wage is the responsibility of no one but the Lord of all the worlds. Of all beings, do you lie with males, leaving the wives Allah has created for you? You are a people who have overstepped the limits.' They said, 'Lut, if you do not desist you will be expelled.' He said, 'I am someone who detests the deed you perpetrate. My Lord, rescue me and my family from what they are doing.' Therefore We rescued him and all his family—except for an old woman who remained behind. Then We utterly destroyed the rest and made a Rain come pouring down upon them. How evil is the rain of those who are warned! There is certainly a Sign in that, yet most of them are not believers. Truly your Lord is the Almighty, the Most Merciful. (26:160-175)

And when Lut said to his people: 'Do you ap-

proach depravity with open eyes? Do you come with lust to men instead of women? You are a people who are deeply ignorant.' The only response of his people was to say: 'Drive the the family of Lut out of your city! They are people who keep themselves pure!' So We rescued him and his family—except for his wife. We ordained her to be one of those who stayed behind. We rained down a rain upon them. How evil is the rain of those who are warned! Say: 'Praise be to Allah and peace be upon His servants whom He has chosen.' Is Allah better, or what you associate with Him? (27:54-59)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'You have adopted idols apart from Allah as tokens of mutual affection in this world. But then on the Day of Rising you will reject one another and curse one another. The Fire will be your shelter. You will have no helpers.' And Lut believed in him. He said, 'I am leaving this place to follow the pleasure of my Lord. He is the Almighty, the All Wise.' We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub and placed Prophethood and the Book among his progeny. We gave him his reward in this world and in the hereafter he will be among the righteous. When Lut said to his people, 'You are committing an obscenity not perpetrated before you by anyone in all the worlds. Do you lie with men and waylay them on the road and commit depravities within your gatherings?'. The only answer of his people was to say, 'Bring us Allah's punishment if you are telling the truth.' He said, 'My Lord, help me against the people of corruption!' When Our messengers came with the good news to Ibrahim, they said, 'We are going to destroy the people of this city. Truly its inhabitants are wrongdoers.' He said, 'Lut is in it.' They said, 'We know very well who is in it. We are going to rescue him and his family—except for his wife. She will be one of those who stay behind.' When Our Messengers came to Lut, he was distressed on their account, feeling incapable of protecting them. They said, 'Do not fear and do not grieve. We are going to rescue you and your family—except for your wife; she will be one of those who stay behind. We will bring down on the inhabitants of this city a devastating punishment from heaven because of their de-

viance.' We have left a Clear Sign of them behind for people who use their intellect. (29:25-35)

And Lut was one of the Messengers. When We rescued him and all his family—except an old woman among those who stayed behind. Then We utterly destroyed the rest. And you pass by them in the daytime and at night. So will you not use your intellect? (37:133-138)

And Thamud and the people of Lut and the Companions of the Thicket. Those too were Confederates. (38:13)

And 'Ad and Pharaoh and the brothers of Lut. (50:13)

The people of Lut denied the warnings. We unleashed a sudden squall of stones against all of them, except the family of Lut, who We rescued before dawn. It was a blessing direct from Our presence. That is how We recompense those who give thanks. He warned them of Our onslaught but they dismissed the warnings. They even wanted to seduce his guests! So We put out their eyes: 'Taste My punishment and warnings!' Early morning brought them enduring punishment: 'Taste My punishment and warnings!' (54:33-39)

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## MADINA

Some of the desert Arabs around you are hypocrites and some of the people of Madina are obdurate in their hypocrisy. You do not know them but We know them. We will punish them twice over and then they will be returned to a terrible punishment. (9:101)

It was not for people of Madina, and the desert arabs around them, to remain behind the Messenger of Allah nor to prefer themselves to him. That is because no thirst or weariness or hunger will afflict them in the Way of Allah, nor will they take a single step to infuriate the disbelievers, nor secure any gain from the enemy, without a right action being written down for them because of it. Allah does not let the wage of the good-doers go to waste. (9:120)

And a group of them said, 'People of Yathrib (Madina), Your position is untenable so return!' some of them asked the Prophet to excuse them, saying, 'Our houses are exposed,' when they were not exposed; it was merely that they wanted to run away. (33:13)

If the hypocrites and those with sickness in their hearts and the rumour-mongers in Madina do not desist, We will set you onto them. Then they will only be your neighbours there a very short time. (33:60)

Those who were already settled in the abode (Madina), and in faith, before they came, love those who have migrated to them and do not find in their hearts any need for what they have been given and prefer them to themselves even if they themselves are needy. It is the people who are safe-guarded from the avarice of their own selves who are successful. (59:9)

They say, 'If we return to Madina, the mightier will drive out the inferior.' But all might belongs to Allah and to His Messenger and the believers. But the hypocrites do not know this. (63:8)

## MADNESS

Those who practise usury will not rise from the grave except as someone driven mad by Satan's touch. That is because they say, 'Trade is the same

as usury.' But Allah has permitted trade and He has forbidden usury. Whoever is given a warning by his Lord and then desists, can keep what he received in the past and his affair is Allah's concern. But all who return to it will be the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:275) Have they not reflected? Their companion is not mad. He is only a clear warner. (7:184)

(They said, 'Hud,) we only say that one of our gods has driven you mad.' He said, 'I call on Allah to be my witness, and you also bear witness, that I am free of all the gods you have apart from Him.' (11:54)

They say, 'You, to whom the Reminder has been sent down, are clearly mad.' (15:6)

He (Pharaoh) said, 'This Messenger, who has been sent to you, is mad.' (26:27)

They said, 'Are we to forsake our gods for a mad poet?' (37:36)

But then they turned away from him and said, 'He is an instructed madman!' (44:14)

But he turned away with his forces, saying, 'A magician or a madman!' (51:39)

Equally, no Messenger came to those before them without their saying, 'A magician or a madman!' (51:52)

Remind them then! For, by the blessing of your Lord, you are neither a soothsayer nor a madman. (52:29)

Before them the people of Nuh denied the truth. They denied Our servant, saying, 'He is madman,' and he was driven away with jeers. (54:9)

By the blessing of your Lord, you are not mad. (68:2)

So you will see and they will see which of you is mad. (68:5-6)

Those who disbelieve all but strike you down with their evil looks when they hear the Reminder and say, 'He is quite mad.' (68:51)

Your companion is not mad. (81:22)

## MADYAN (SEE SHU'AYB (AS) AND MADYAN)

## MAGIC - MAGICIAN

Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to

your mother when I reinforced you with the Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth the dead by My permission; and when I held back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but downright magic" (5:110)

Even if We were to send down a book to you on parchment pages and they were actually to touch it with their own hands, those who disbelieve would still say, 'This is nothing but downright magic.' (6:7)

The ruling circle of Pharaoh's people said, 'This is certainly a skilled magician who desires to expel you from your land, so what do you recommend?' They said, 'Detain him and his brother and send out marshals to the cities, to bring you all the skilled magicians.' The magicians came to Pharaoh and they asked, 'Will we receive a reward if we are the winners?' He said, 'Yes, and you will be among those brought near.' They said, 'Musa, will you throw first or shall we be the ones to throw?' He said, 'You throw.' And when they threw, they cast a spell on the people's eyes and caused them to feel great fear of them. They produced an extremely powerful magic. We revealed to Musa, 'Throw down your staff.' And it immediately swallowed up what they had forged. So the Truth took place and what they did was shown to be false. They were defeated then and there, transformed into humbled men. The magicians threw themselves down in prostration. They said, 'We believe in the Lord of all the worlds, the Lord of Musa and Harun.' Pharaoh said, 'Have you believed in him before I authorised you to do so? This is just some plot you have concocted in the city to drive its people from it. I will cut off your alternate hands and feet and then I will crucify every one of you.' They said, 'We are returning to our Lord. You are

only avenging yourself on us because we believed in our Lord's Signs when they came to us. Our Lord, pour down steadfastness upon us and take us back to You as Muslims.' (7:109-126)

Do people find it so surprising that We should reveal to a man among them: 'Warn mankind and give good news to those who believe that they are on a sure footing with their Lord'? The disbelievers say, 'This is downright magic!' (10:2)

When the truth came to them from Us, they said, 'This is downright magic!' Musa said, 'Do you say to the truth when it comes to you, "This is magic"? Magicians are not successful.' They said, 'Have you come to us to turn us from what we found our fathers doing, and to gain greatness in the land? We do not believe you.' Pharaoh said, 'Bring me every knowledgeable magician.' When the magicians came, Musa said to them, 'Throw whatever you have to throw!' When they had thrown, Musa said, 'What you have brought is magic. Allah will certainly prove it false. Allah does not uphold the actions of corrupters.' (10:76-81)

It is He Who created the heavens and the earth in six days when His Throne was on the water, in order to test which of you has the best actions. If you say, 'You will be raised up after death,' those who disbelieve will say, 'This is nothing but downright magic.' (11:7)

He said, 'Have you come to us to expel us from our land by means of your magic, Musa? We will bring you magic to match it. So fix a time between us and you which neither we nor you will fail to keep at a place where we can meet halfway.' He said, 'Your time is the day of the Festival. The people should gather in the morning.' So Pharaoh went away and concocted his scheme and then he arrived. Musa said to them, 'Woe to you! Do not fabricate lies against Allah or He will annihilate you with His punishment. Fabricators of lies are bound to fail.' They argued among themselves about the matter and had a secret conference. They said, 'These two magicians desire by their magic to expel you from your land and abolish your most excellent way of life, so decide on your scheme and then arrive together in force. He who gains the upper hand

today will definitely prosper.' They said, 'Musa, will you throw or shall we be the first to throw?' He said, 'No, you throw!' And suddenly their ropes and staffs appeared to him, by their magic, to be slithering about. Musa experienced in himself a feeling of alarm. We said, 'Have no fear. You will have the upper hand. Throw down what is in your right hand. It will swallow up their handiwork. Their handiwork is just a magician's trick. Magicians do not prosper wherever they go.' The magicians threw themselves down in prostration. They said, 'We believe in the Lord of Harun and Musa.' Pharaoh said, 'Do you believe in him before I have authorised you? He is your chief, the one who taught you magic. I will cut off your hands and feet alternately and have you crucified on palm trunks. Then you will know for certain which of us has the harsher and longer lasting punishment.' They said, 'We will never prefer you to the Clear Signs which have come to us nor to Him Who brought us into being. Decide on any judgment you like. Your jurisdiction only covers the life of this world. We have believed in our Lord so that He may forgive us for our mistakes and for the magic which you forced us to perform. Allah is better and longer lasting.' (20:57-73)

Their hearts are distracted. Those who do wrong confer together secretly, saying, 'Is this man anything but a human being like yourselves? Do you succumb to magic with your eyes wide open?' (21:3)

He (Pharaoh) said to the High Council round about him, 'This certainly is a skilled magician who desires by his magic to expel you from your land, so what do you recommend?' They said, 'Detain him and his brother and send out marshals to the cities, to bring you all the skilled magicians.' So the magicians were assembled for a meeting on a specified day. The people were asked, 'Are you all assembled so we can follow the magicians if they are the winners?' When the magicians came, they said to Pharaoh, 'Will we be rewarded if we are the winners?' He said, 'Yes, and in that case you will be among those brought near.' Musa said to them, 'Throw whatever it is you are going to throw!' They threw

down their ropes and staffs and said, 'By the might of Pharaoh we are the winners.' But Musa threw down his staff and at once it swallowed up what they had fabricated. The magicians threw themselves down, prostrating. They said, 'We believe in the Lord of all the worlds, the Lord of Musa and Harun.' He said, 'Have you believed in him before I authorised you? He is your chief who taught you magic. But you will soon know! I will cut off your alternate hands and feet and I will crucify every one of you.' They said, 'We do not care! We are returning to our Lord. We remain hopeful that our Lord will forgive us our mistakes for being the first of the believers.' (26:34-51)

When Our Signs came to them in all their clarity, they said, 'This is downright magic.' (27:13) But when Musa brought them Our Clear Signs they said, 'This is nothing but trumped-up magic. We never heard anything like this among our earlier forefathers.' (28:36)

But when the truth did come to them from Us they said, 'Why has he not been given the same as Musa was given?' But did they not previously reject what Musa was given? They say, 'Two magicians who back each other up.' And they say, 'We reject both of them.' (28:48)

When Our Clear Signs are recited to them, they say, 'This is nothing but a man who wants to debar you from what your fathers used to worship.' They say, 'This is nothing but an invented lie.' Those who disbelieve say to the truth when it comes to them, 'This is nothing but downright magic.' (34:43)

They say, 'This is just downright magic.' (37:15) They are surprised that a warner should come to them from among themselves. The disbelievers say, 'This is a lying magician.' (38:4)

We sent Musa with Our Signs and clear authority to Pharaoh, Haman and Qarun. But they said, 'A lying magician.' (40:23-24)

But when the truth came to them they said, 'This is magic and we reject it.' (43:30)

They said (to Musa), 'Magician, invoke your Lord for us by the contract He has made with you and we shall certainly follow the guidance.' (43:49)

When Our Clear Signs are recited to them, those

who reject say to the truth when it comes to them, 'This is downright magic.' (46:7)

But he (Pharaoh) turned away with his forces, saying, 'A magician or a madman!' (51:39)

Equally, no Messenger came to those before them without their saying, 'A magician or a madman!' (51:52)

So is this magic? Or is it that you do not see? (52:15)

And when 'Isa son of Maryam said, 'Tribe of Israel, I am the Messenger of Allah to you, confirming the Torah which came before me and giving you the good news of a Messenger after me whose name is Ahmad.' When he brought them the Clear Signs, they said, 'This is downright magic.' (61:6)

He said, 'This is nothing but magic from the past.' (74:24)

And there will be dark-eyed maidens with them with eyes reserved for them alone. (38:52)

So it will be. We will marry them to dark-eyed maidens. (44:54)

They will recline on couches ranged in rows and We will marry them to dark-eyed maidens. (52:20)

In them are maidens with eyes for them alone, untouched before them by either man or jinn. (55:56)

In them are sweet, lovely maidens. (55:70)

Dark-eyed, secluded in cool pavilions. (55:72)

And dark-eyed maidens like hidden pearls. (56:22-23)

We have brought maidens into being. (56:35)

And (there are) nubile maidens of similar age (for those who guard against evil). (78:33)

## **MAHR (SEE DOWRY)**

## **MAHRAM (UNMARRIAGEABLE) OF WOMEN**

Say to the believing women that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity and not display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands' fathers, or their sons or their husbands' sons or their brothers or their brothers' sons or their sisters' sons or their women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children who still have no awareness of women's private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

They incur no blame in respect of their fathers or their sons or their brothers or their brothers' or sisters' sons, or their women or any slaves they own. Have fear of Allah. Allah is witness of all things. (33:55)

## **MAIDEN**

There will be dark-eyed maidens with them, with eyes reserved for them alone. (37:48)

## **MAINTAIN**

It is not for the idolaters to maintain the mosques of Allah, bearing witness against themselves of their disbelief. They are the ones whose actions will come to nothing. They will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever. (9:17)

The mosques of Allah should only be maintained by those who believe in Allah and the Last Day and perform prayer and give the alms, and fear no one but Allah. They are the ones most likely to be guided. (9:18)

Do you make the giving of water to the pilgrims and looking after the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) the same as believing in Allah and the Last Day and striving in the Way of Allah? They are not equal in the sight of Allah. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (9:19)

## **MAJORITY**

What do you think about those who left their homes in thousands in fear of death? Allah said to them, 'Die!' and then brought them back to life. Allah shows great favour to mankind, but most people are not grateful. (2:243)

You are the best nation ever to be produced before mankind. You enjoin the right, forbid the wrong and believe in Allah. If the People of the Book were to believe, it would be better for them. Some of them are believers but most of

them are deviators. (3:110)

They thought there would be no testing. They were blind and deaf. Then Allah turned towards them. Then many of them went blind and deaf again. Allah sees what they do. (5:71)

If you obeyed most of those on earth, they would misguide you from Allah's Way. They follow nothing but conjecture. They are only guessing. (6:116)

Most of them follow nothing but conjecture. Conjecture is of no use whatsoever against the truth. Allah most certainly knows what they are doing. (10:36)

But as for those who have clear evidence from their Lord followed up by a witness from Him—and before it the Book of Musa came as a model and a mercy—such people believe in it. Any faction which rejects it is promised the Fire. Be in no doubt about it. It is the Truth from your Lord. But most people have no faith. (11:17) They also said, 'We have more wealth and children. We are not going to be punished.' (34:35)

### **MAKING CLEAR**

But if a man divorces his wife a third time, she is not lawful for him after that until she has married another husband. Then if he divorces her, there is nothing wrong in the original couple getting back together provided they think they will remain within Allah's limits. These are Allah's limits which he has made clear to people who know. (2:230)

What is the matter with you that you do not eat that over which the name of Allah has been mentioned, when He has made clear to you what He has made forbidden for you except when you are forced to eat it? Many people lead others astray through their whims and desires without having any knowledge. Your Lord knows best those who overstep the limits. (6:119)

Just as your Lord brought you out from your house with truth, even though a group of the believers disliked it, arguing with you about the Truth after it had been made clear as though they were being driven to their death with open eyes. (8:5-6)

It is so that He can make clear to them the things

they differed about and so that those who disbelieved will know that they were liars. (16:39)

We have only ever sent before you men who were given Revelation—ask the People of the Reminder if you do not know—who brought Clear Signs and Revealed Books. And We have sent down the Reminder to you so that you can make clear to mankind what has been sent down to them so that hopefully they will reflect. (16:43-44)

We have only sent down the Book to you so that you can make clear to them the things about which they differ, and as a guidance and a mercy to people who believe. (16:64)

Do not be like a woman who spoils the thread she has spun by unravelling it after it is strong, by making your oaths a means of deceiving one another, merely because one community is bigger than another. Allah is only testing you by this. He will make clear to you on the Day of Rising the things about which you differed. (16:92)

Then when We decreed that he should die, nothing divulged his death to them except the worm which ate his staff; so that when he fell down it was made clear to the jinn that if they had truly had knowledge of the Unseen they need not have stayed there suffering humiliating punishment. (34:14)

If He did ask you for it and put you under pressure, you would be tight-fisted and it would bring out your malevolence. (47:37)

### **MAKKA (THE SAFE HAVEN)**

If you do not help him, Allah did help him when those who disbelieved drove him out (of Makka) and there were two of them in the Cave. He said to his companion, 'Do not be despondent, Allah is with us.' Then Allah sent down His serenity upon him and reinforced him with troops you could not see. He made the word of those who disbelieved undermost. It is the word of Allah which is uppermost. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:40)

Do they not see that We have established a safe haven (Makka) while people all round them are violently dispossessed? So why do they believe in falsehood and reject the blessing of Allah? (29:67)

And (I swear by) this safe land, We created man in the finest mould. (95:3-4)

This is a Book We have sent down and blessed, confirming what came before it, so that you can warn the Mother of Cities (Makka) and the people around it. Those who believe in the hereafter believe in it and safeguard their prayer. (6:92)

It is He Who held their hands back from you, and your hands from them in the valley of Makka, after giving you the upper hand over them. Allah sees what you do. (48:24)

### **MAN - MEN**

The Companions of the Ramparts will call out to men they recognise by their mark, saying, 'What you amassed was of no use to you, nor was your arrogance.' (7:48)

(Nuh said to his people,) 'Or are you astonished that a reminder should come to you from your Lord by way of a man among you, to warn you and make you guard against evil so that hopefully you will gain mercy?' (7:63)

(Hud said,) 'Or are you astonished that a reminder should come to you from your Lord by way of a man among you in order to warn you? Remember when He appointed you successors to the people of Nuh, and increased you greatly in stature. Remember Allah's blessings, so that hopefully you will be successful.' (7:69)

Musa chose seventy men from his people for Our appointed time and when the earthquake seized them he said, 'My Lord, if You had willed, You could have destroyed them previously and me as well. Would you destroy us for what the fools among us did? It was only a trial from You by which You misguided those You willed and guided those You willed. You are our Protector so forgive us and have mercy on us. You are the Best of Forgivers.' (7:155)

Do not ever stand in it. A mosque founded on performing one's duty from the first day has a greater right for you to stand in it. In it there are men who love to purify themselves. Allah loves those who purify themselves. (9:108)

Do people find it so surprising that We should reveal to a man among them: 'Warn mankind and give good news to those who believe that they

are on a sure footing with their Lord'? The disbelievers say, 'This is downright magic!' (10:2)

His people came running to him excitedly—they were long used to committing evil acts. He (Lut) said, 'My people, here are my daughters. They are purer for you. So have fear of Allah and do not shame me with my guests. Is there not one rightly-guided man among you?' (11:78)

We know how they listen when they listen to you, and when they confer together secretly, and when the wrongdoers say, 'You are only following a man who is bewitched!' (17:47)

When the young men took refuge in the cave and said, 'Our Lord, give us mercy directly from You and open the way for us to right guidance in our situation.' (18:10)

We will relate their story to you with truth. They were young men who believed in their Lord and We increased them in guidance. (18:13)

Make an example for them of two men. To one of them We gave two gardens of grape-vines and surrounded them with date-palms, putting between them some cultivated land. (18:32)

His companion, with whom he was debating, said to him, 'Do you then disbelieve in Him Who created you from dust, then from a drop of sperm, and then formed you as a man?' (18:37)

They said, 'We heard a young man mentioning them. They call him Ibrahim.' (21:60)

(The ruling circle of Nuh's people said,) 'He is nothing but a man possessed so wait a while and see what happens to him.' (23:25)

(The ruling circle of his people said,) 'What is he but a man who has invented a lie against Allah? We do not believe in him.' (23:38)

In houses which Allah has permitted to be built and in which His name is remembered, there are men who proclaim His glory morning and evening, not distracted by trade or commerce from the remembrance of Allah and the performance of prayer and the giving of the alms; fearing a day when all hearts and eyes will be in turmoil. (24:36-37)

(The disbelievers say,) 'Why has treasure not been showered down on him? Why does he not have a garden to give him food?' The wrongdoers say, 'You are merely following a man who is be-

witched.' (25:8)

He (Musa) entered the city at a time when its inhabitants were unaware and found two men fighting there—one from his party and the other from his enemy. The one from his party asked for his support against the other from his enemy. So Musa hit him, dealing him a fatal blow. He said, 'This is part of Satan's handiwork. He truly is an outright and misleading enemy.' (28:15)

A man came running from the furthest part of the city, saying, 'Musa, the Council are conspiring to kill you, so leave! I am someone who brings you good advice.' (28:20)

Allah has not allotted to any man two hearts within his breast, nor has He made those of your wives you equate with your mothers your actual mothers, nor has He made your adopted sons your actual sons. These are just words coming out of your mouths. But Allah speaks the truth and He guides to the Way. (33:4)

Among the believers there are men who have been true to the contract they made with Allah. Some of them have fulfilled their pact by death and some are still waiting to do so, not having changed in any way at all. (33:23)

Those who disbelieve say, 'Shall we show you to a man who will tell you that when you have completely disintegrated, you will then be recreated all anew?' (34:7)

When Our Clear Signs are recited to them, they say, 'This is nothing but a man who wants to debar you from what your fathers used to worship.' They say, 'This is nothing but an invented lie.' Those who disbelieve say to the truth when it comes to them, 'This is nothing but downright magic.' (34:43)

A man came running from the far side of the city, saying, 'My people! Follow the Messengers!' (36:20)

They will say, 'How is it that we do not see some men whom we used to count among the worst of people?' (38:62)

Allah has made a metaphor for them of a man owned by several partners in dispute with one another and another man wholly owned by a single man. Are they the same? Praise be to Allah! The fact is that most of them do not know. (39:29)

A man among Pharaoh's people who believed, but kept his faith concealed, said, 'Are you going to kill a man for saying "My Lord is Allah" when he has brought you Clear Signs from your Lord? If he is telling a lie, be it on his own head. But if he is telling the truth, then some of what he is promising you will certainly happen to you. Allah does not guide any unbridled inveterate liar.' (40:28)

They say, 'Why was this Qur'an not sent down to one of the great men of the two cities?' (43:31)

Certain men from among mankind used to seek refuge with certain men from among the jinn but they increased them in wickedness. (72:6)

## **MARK**

If We wished, We would show them to you and you would know them by their mark and know them by their ambivalent speech. Allah knows your actions. (47:30)

The evildoers will be recognised by their mark and seized by their forelocks and their feet. (55:41)

## **MARKET-PLACE**

They say, 'What is the matter with this Messenger, that he eats food and walks in the market-place? Why has an angel not been sent down to him so that it can be a warner along with him?' (25:7)

We never sent any Messengers before you who did not eat food and walk in the market-place. But We have made some of you a trial for others to see if you will be steadfast? Your Lord sees everything. (25:20)

## **MARRIAGE**

Do not marry women of the idolaters until they believe. A slavegirl who is one of the believers is better for you than a woman of the idolaters, even though she may attract you. And do not marry men of the idolaters until they believe. A slave who is one of the believers is better for you than a man of the idolaters, even though he may attract you. Such people call you to the Fire whereas Allah calls you, with His permission, to the Garden and forgiveness. He makes His Signs

clear to people so that hopefully they will pay heed. (2:221)

But if a man divorces his wife a third time, she is not lawful for him after that until she has married another husband. Then if he divorces her, there is nothing wrong in the original couple getting back together provided they think they will remain within Allah's limits. These are Allah's limits which he has made clear to people who know. (2:230)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, do not prevent them from marrying their first husbands if they have mutually agreed to it with correctness and courtesy. This is an admonition for those of you who believe in Allah and the Last Day. That is better and purer for you. Allah knows and you do not know. (2:232)

Nor is there anything wrong in any allusion to marriage you make to a woman, nor for any you keep to yourself. Allah knows that you will say things to them. But do not make secret arrangements with them, rather only speak with correctness and courtesy. Do not finally decide on the marriage contract until the prescribed period has come to its end. Know that Allah knows what is in your selves, so beware of Him! And know that Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (2:235)

If you divorce them before you have touched them but have already allotted them a dowry, they should have half the amount which you allotted, unless they forgo it or the one in charge of the marriage contract forgoes it. To forgo it is closer to heedfulness. Do not forget to show generosity to one another. Allah sees what you do. (2:237)

If you are afraid of not behaving justly towards orphans, then marry other permissible women, two, three or four. But if you are afraid of not treating them equally, then only one, or those you own as slaves. That makes it more likely that you will not be unfair. (4:3)

Keep a close check on orphans until they reach a marriageable age, then if you perceive that they have sound judgement hand over their property to them. Do not consume it extravagantly and precipitately before they come of age. Those

who are wealthy should abstain from it altogether. Those who are poor should use it sensibly and correctly. When you hand over their property to them ensure that there are witnesses on their behalf. Allah suffices as a Reckoner. (4:6)

You who believe! It is not lawful for you to inherit women by force. Nor may you treat them harshly so that you can make off with part of what you have given them, unless they commit an act of flagrant indecency. Live together with them correctly and courteously. If you dislike them, it may well be that you dislike something in which Allah has placed a lot of good. (4:19) Do not marry any women your fathers married—except for what may have already taken place. That is an indecent act, a loathsome thing and an evil path. (4:22)

Forbidden for you are: your mothers and your daughters and your sisters, your maternal aunts and your paternal aunts, your brothers' daughters and your sisters' daughters, your foster mothers who have suckled you, your foster sisters by suckling, your wives' mothers, your stepdaughters who are under your protection: the daughters of your wives whom you have had sexual relations with (though if you have not had sexual relations with them there is nothing blameworthy for you in it then), the wives of your sons whom you have fathered, and marrying two sisters at the same time—except for what may have already taken place. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:23)

And also married women, except for those you have taken in war as slaves. This is what Allah has prescribed for you. Apart from that He has made all other women lawful for you provided you seek them with your wealth in marriage and not in fornication. When you consummate your marriage with them give them their prescribed dowry. There is nothing wrong in any further agreement you might come to after the dowry has been given. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:24)

If any of you do not have the means to marry free women who are believers, you may marry slave-girls who are believers. Allah knows best about your faith; you are all the same in that respect. Marry them with their owners' permission and

give them their dowries correctly and courteously as married women, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. When they are married, if they commit fornication they should receive half the punishment of free women. This is for those of you who are afraid of committing fornication. But being patient is better for you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:25)

Men have charge of women because Allah has preferred the one above the other and because they spend their wealth on them. Right-acting women are obedient (to Allah), guarding the unseen as Allah has guarded. If there are women whose disobedience you fear, you may admonish them, refuse to sleep with them, and then beat them. But if they obey you, do not look for a way to punish them. Allah is All-High, Most Great. (4:34)

If you fear a breach between a couple, send an arbiter from his people and an arbiter from her people. If the couple desire to put things right, Allah will bring about a reconciliation between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (4:35)

They request from you a ruling concerning women. Say, 'Allah gives you a ruling about them; and also what is recited to you in the Book about orphan girls to whom you do not give the inheritance they are owed, while at the same time desiring to marry them; and also about young children who are denied their rights: that you should act justly with respect to orphans.' Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. (4:127)

If a woman fears cruelty or aversion on her husband's part, there is nothing wrong in the couple becoming reconciled. Reconciliation is better. But people are prone to selfish greed. If you do good and guard against evil, Allah is aware of what you do. (4:128)

You will not be able to be completely fair between your wives, however hard you try. But do not be completely partial so as to leave a wife, as it were, suspended in mid-air. And if you make amends and guard against evil, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:129)

Today all good things have been made lawful for you. And the food of those given the Book is also lawful for you and your food is lawful for them.

So are chaste women from among the believers and chaste women of those given the Book before you, once you have given them their dowries in marriage, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. But as for anyone who rejects faith, his actions will come to nothing and in the hereafter he will be among the losers. (5:15)

A man who has fornicated may only marry a woman who has fornicated or a woman of the idolaters. A woman who has fornicated may only marry a man who has fornicated or a man of the idolaters. Doing such a thing is forbidden for the believers. (24:3)

Marry off those among you who are unmarried and those of your slaves and slavegirls who are righteous. If they are poor, Allah will enrich them from His bounty. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing. (24:32)

Those who cannot find the means to marry should be abstinent until Allah enriches them from His bounty. If any slaves you own want to make a contract to free themselves, write it for them if you know of good in them and give them some of the wealth Allah has given you. Do not force your slavegirls to prostitute themselves if they desire to be virtuous women out of your desire for the goods of this world. If anyone forces them, then after they have been forced, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:33)

As for women who are past child-bearing age and no longer have any hope of getting married, there is nothing wrong in their removing their outer clothes, provided they do not flaunt their adornments; but to refrain from doing so is better for them. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (24:60)

And it is He Who created human beings from water and then gave them relations by blood and marriage. Your Lord is All-Powerful. (25:54)

He said, 'I would like to marry you to one of these two daughters of mine on condition that you work for me for eight full years. If you complete ten, that is up to you. I do not want to be hard on you. You will find me, Allah willing, to be one of the righteous.' (28:27)

When you said to him whom Allah has blessed and you yourself have greatly favoured, 'Keep

your wife to yourself and have fear of Allah,' while concealing something in yourself which Allah wished to bring to light, you were fearing people when Allah has more right to your fear. Then when Zayd divorced her We married her to you so that there should be no restriction for the believers regarding the wives of their adopted sons when they have divorced them. Allah's command is always carried out. (33:37)

You who believe! When you marry believing women and then divorce them before you have touched them, there is no waiting period for you to calculate for them, so give them a gift and let them go with kindness. (33:49)

O Prophet! We have made lawful for you: your wives to whom you have given dowries and any slavegirls you own from the booty Allah has allotted you and the daughters of your paternal uncles and the daughters of your paternal aunts and the daughters of your maternal uncles and the daughters of your maternal aunts who have migrated with you and any believing woman who gives herself to the Prophet if the Prophet desires to marry her: exclusively for you as opposed to the rest of the believers—We know very well what We have prescribed for them regarding their wives and any slavegirls they possess—in order that there be no restriction on you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:50)

After that no other women are lawful for you nor may you exchange them for other wives, even though their beauty might be pleasing to you, with the exception of any you own as slaves. Allah is watchful over all things. (33:52)

You who believe! Do not go into the Prophet's rooms except when you are invited to come and eat. Do not wait there while the food is being cooked. However, when you are called, go in, and when you have eaten, disperse, not remaining there to chat with one another. Doing that causes annoyance to the Prophet though he is too reticent to tell you so. But Allah is not reticent with the truth. When you ask his wives for something, ask them from behind a screen. That is purer for your hearts and their hearts. It is not right for you to cause annoyance to the Messenger of Allah or ever to marry his wives

after him. To do that would be a dreadful thing in Allah's sight. (33: 53)

So it will be. We will marry them to dark-eyed maidens. (44:54)

They will recline on couches ranged in rows and We will marry them to dark-eyed maidens. (52:20)

You who believe! When women who believe come to you as emigrants, submit them to a test. Allah has best knowledge of their faith. If you know they are believers, do not return them to the disbelievers. They are not lawful for the disbelievers nor are the disbelievers lawful for them. Give the disbelievers whatever dowry they paid. And there is nothing wrong in your marrying them provided you pay them their due. Do not hold to any marriage ties with women who disbelieve. Ask for what you paid and let them ask for what they paid. That is Allah's judgement. Allah will judge between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (60:10)

Allah has made an example for those who disbelieve: the wife of Nuh and the wife of Lut. They were married to two of Our servants who were righteous but they betrayed them and were not helped at all against Allah. They were told, 'Enter the Fire along with all who enter it.' (66:10)

## MARTYRDOM

Do not say that those who are killed in the Way of Allah are dead. On the contrary, they are alive but you are not aware of it. (2:154)

If you are killed in the Way of Allah or if you die, forgiveness and mercy from Allah are better than anything you can acquire. (3:157)

Do not suppose that those killed in the Way of Allah are dead. No indeed! They are alive and well provided for in the very presence of their Lord, delighting in the favour Allah has bestowed on them, rejoicing over those they left behind who have not yet joined them, feeling no fear and knowing no sorrow, rejoicing in blessings and favour from Allah and that Allah does not let the wage of the believers go to waste. (169-171)

Whoever obeys Allah and the Messenger will be with those whom Allah has blessed: the Prophets, the steadfast affirmers of truth, the mar-

tyrs and the righteous. What excellent company such people are! (4:69)

So let those who sell the life of this world for the hereafter fight in the Way of Allah. If someone fights in the Way of Allah, whether he is killed or is victorious, We will pay him an immense reward. (4:74)

Say: 'What do you await for us except for one of the two best things (martyrdom or victory)? But what we await for you is for Allah to inflict a punishment on you either directly from Himself or at our hands. So wait, we are waiting with you!' (9:52)

Those who migrate in the Way of Allah and then are killed or die, Allah will provide for them handsomely. Truly Allah is the best Provider. (22:58)

### **MARYAM (AS) (MARY)**

We gave Musa the Book and sent a succession of Messengers after him. We gave 'Isa, son of Maryam, the Clear Signs and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. Why then, whenever a Messenger came to you with something your lower selves did not desire, did you grow arrogant, and deny some of them and murder others? (2:87)

These Messengers: We favoured some of them over others. Allah spoke directly to some of them and raised up some of them in rank. We gave Clear Signs to 'Isa, son of Maryam, and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. If Allah had willed, those who came after them would not have fought each other after the Clear Signs came to them, but they differed. Among them there are those who believe and among them there are those who disbelieve. If Allah had willed, they would not have fought each other. But Allah does whatever He desires. (2:253)

And when the angels said, 'Maryam, Allah has chosen you and purified you. He has chosen you over all other women. Maryam, obey your Lord and prostrate and bow with those who bow.' This is news from the Unseen which We reveal to you. You were not with them when they cast their reeds to see which of them would be the guardian of Maryam. You were not with them

when they quarrelled. When the angels said, 'Maryam, your Lord gives you good news of a Word from Him. His name is the Messiah, 'Isa, son of Maryam, of high esteem in this world and the hereafter, and one of those brought near.' (3:42-45)

And (We punished them) on account of their disbelief, and their utterance of a monstrous slander against Maryam, and their saying, 'We killed the Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, Messenger of Allah.' They did not kill him and they did not crucify him but it was made to seem so to them. Those who argue about him are in doubt about it. They have no real knowledge of it, just conjecture. But they certainly did not kill him. (4:156-157)

People of the Book! Do not go to excess in your religion. Say nothing but the truth about Allah. The Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, was only the Messenger of Allah and His Word, which He cast into Maryam, and a Spirit from Him. So believe in Allah and His Messengers. Do not say, 'Three.' It is better that you stop. Allah is only One God. He is too Glorious to have a son! Everything in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Him. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:171)

Those who say, 'Allah is the Messiah, son of Maryam,' disbelieve. Say: 'Who possesses any power at all over Allah if He desires to destroy the Messiah, son of Maryam, and his mother, and everyone else on earth?' The kingdom of the heavens and the earth and everything between them belongs to Allah. He creates whatever He wills. Allah has power over all things. (5:17)

And We sent 'Isa son of Maryam following in their footsteps, confirming the Torah that came before him. We gave him the Gospel containing guidance and light, confirming the Torah that came before it, and as guidance and admonition for those who guard against evil. (5:46)

Those who say that the Messiah, son of Maryam, is Allah are disbelievers. The Messiah said, 'Tribe of Israel! Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord. If anyone associates anything with Allah, Allah has forbidden him the Garden and his refuge will be the Fire.' The wrongdoers will have no helpers. (5:72)

The Messiah, the son of Maryam, was only a Messenger, before whom other Messengers came and went. His mother was a woman of truth. Both of them ate food. See how We make the Signs clear to them! Then see how they are perverted! (5:75)

Those among the tribe of Israel who disbelieved were cursed on the tongue of Dawud and that of 'Isa, son of Maryam. That is because they rebelled and overstepped the limits. (5:78)

Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to your mother when I reinforced you with the Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth the dead by My permission; and when I held back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but downright magic"; (5:110)

And when the Disciples said, "Isa son of Maryam! Can your Lord send down a table to us out of heaven?" He said, 'Have fear of Allah if you are believers!' (5:112)

'Isa son of Maryam said, 'Allah, our Lord, send down a table to us out of heaven to be a feast for us, for the first and last of us, and as a Sign from You. Provide for us! You are the Best of Providers!' (5:114)

And when Allah says, "Isa son of Maryam! Did you say to people, "Take me and my mother as gods besides Allah?" he will say, 'Glory be to You! It is not for me to say what I have no right to say! If I had said it, then You would have known it. You know what is in my self but I do not know what is in Your Self. You are the Knower of all unseen things.' (5:116)

They have taken their rabbis and monks as lords besides Allah, and also the Messiah, son of Maryam. Yet they were commanded to worship only one God. There is no god but Him! Glory be

to Him above anything they associate with Him! (9:31)

Mention Maryam in the Book, how she withdrew from her people to an eastern place. (19:16) She brought him to her people, carrying him. They said, 'Maryam! You have done an unthinkable thing!' (19:27)

That is 'Isa, son of Maryam, the word of truth about which they are in doubt. (19:34)

And We made the son of Maryam and his mother a Sign and gave them shelter on a mountainside where there was a meadow and a flowing spring. (23:50)

When We made a covenant with all the Prophets—with you and with Nuh and Ibrahim and Musa and 'Isa son of Maryam—We made a binding covenant with them. (33:7)

When an example is made of the son of Maryam your people laugh uproariously. (43:57) Then We sent Our Messengers following in their footsteps and sent 'Isa son of Maryam after them, giving him the Gospel. We put compassion and mercy in the hearts of those who followed him. They invented monasticism—We did not prescribe it for them—purely out of desire to gain the pleasure of Allah, but even so they did not observe it as it should have been observed. To those of them who believed We gave their reward but many of them are deviators. (57:27)

And when 'Isa son of Maryam said, 'Tribe of Israel, I am the Messenger of Allah to you, confirming the Torah which came before me and giving you the good news of a Messenger after me whose name is Ahmad.' When he brought them the Clear Signs, they said, 'This is downright magic.' (61:6)

You who believe! Be helpers of Allah as 'Isa son of Maryam said to the Disciples, 'Who will be my helpers to Allah?' The Disciples said, 'We will be the helpers of Allah.' One faction of the tribe of Israel believed and the other disbelieved. So We supported those who believed against their enemy and they became victorious. (61:14)

And Maryam, the daughter of 'Imran, who guarded her chastity—We breathed Our Spirit into her and she confirmed the Words of her Lord and His Book and was one of the obedient. (66:12)

Allah chose Adam and Nuh and the family of Ibrahim and the family of 'Imran over all other beings—descendants one of the other. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (3:33-34)

Remember when the wife of 'Imran said, 'My Lord, I have pledged to You what is in my womb, devoting it to Your service. Please accept my prayer. You are the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing.' (3:35)

When she gave birth, she said, 'My Lord! I have given birth to a girl—and Allah knew very well what she had given birth to, male and female are not the same—and I have named her Maryam and placed her and her children in Your safe-keeping from the accursed Satan.' (3:36)

Her Lord accepted her with approval and made her grow in health and beauty. And Zakariyya became her guardian. Every time Zakariyya visited her in the Upper Room, he found food with her. He said, 'Maryam, how did you come by this?' She said, 'It is from Allah. Allah provides for whoever He wills without any reckoning.' (3: 37)

#### **MASHA'LLAH (SEE "IT IS AS ALLAH WILLS")**

#### **MASJID (SEE MOSQUE)**

#### **MASJID AL-AQSA (SEE THE FURTHER MOSQUE)**

#### **MASTER**

Allah does not impose on any self any more than it can stand. For it is what it has earned; against it, what it has brought upon itself. 'Our Lord, do not take us to task if we forget or make a mistake! Our Lord, do not place on us a load like the one You placed on those before us! Our Lord, do not place on us a load we have not the strength to bear! And pardon us; and forgive us; and have mercy on us. You are our Master, so help us against the people of the disbelievers.' (2:286) Then they are returned to Allah, their Master, the Real. Jurisdiction belongs to Him alone and He is the Swiftest of Reckoners. (6:62)

But if they turn away, know that Allah is your Master, the Best of Masters, and the Best of

Helpers! (8:40)

Say: 'Nothing can happen to us except what Allah has ordained for us. He is Our Master. It is in Allah that the believers should put their trust.' (9:51)

Then and there every self will be tried for what it did before. They will be returned to Allah, their Master, the Real, and what they invented will abandon them. (10:30)

Allah has made the expiation of your oaths obligatory for you. Allah is your Master—He is the All-Knowing, the All-Wise. (66:2)

#### **MATE**

O mankind! Have fear of your Lord Who created you from a single self and created its mate from it and then disseminated many men and women from the two of them. Have fear of Allah in Whose name you make demands on one another and also in respect of your families. Allah watches over you continually. (4:1)

He created you from a single self, then produced its mate from it, and sent down livestock to you—eight kinds in pairs. He creates you stage by stage in your mothers' wombs in a threefold darkness. That is Allah, your Lord. Sovereignty is His. There is no god but Him. So what has made you deviate? (39:6)

The Bringer into Being of the heavens and the earth: He has given you mates from among yourselves, and given mates to the livestock, in that way multiplying you. Nothing is like Him. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Seeing. (42:11)

#### **MATURITY**

And that you do not go near the property of orphans before they reach maturity—except in a good way; that you give full measure and full weight with justice—We impose on no self any more than it can bear; that you are equitable when you speak—even if a near relative is concerned; and that you fulfil Allah's contract. That is what He instructs you to do, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (6:152)

Do not go near the property of orphans before they reach maturity, except in a good way. Fulfil your contracts. Contracts will be asked about. (17:34)

Mankind! If you are in any doubt about the Rising, know that We created you from dust then from a drop of sperm then from a clot of blood then from a lump of flesh, formed yet unformed, so We may make things clear to you. We make whatever We want stay in the womb until a specified time and then We bring you out as children so that you can reach your full maturity. Some of you die and some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that, after having knowledge, they then know nothing at all. And you see the earth dead and barren; then when We send down water onto it it quivers and swells and sprouts with luxuriant plants of every kind. (22:5)

And when he (Musa) reached his full strength and maturity, We gave him judgement and knowledge. That is how We recompense good-doers. (28:14)

## MEADOW

And We made the son of Maryam and his mother a Sign and gave them shelter on a mountainside where there was a meadow and a flowing spring. (23:50)

As for those who believed and did right actions, they will be made joyful in a verdant meadow. (30:15)

You will see the wrongdoers afraid of what they have earned, when it is about to land right on top of them, whereas those who believe and do right actions will be in the lush Meadows of the Gardens. They will have whatever they wish for with their Lord. That is the great favour. (42:22)  
And (then We make) orchards and meadows (grow in it), for you and your livestock to enjoy. (80:31-32)

## MEAL

But when she heard of their malicious talk, she sent for them and made a sumptuous meal and then she gave a knife to each of them. She said (to Yusuf), 'Go out to them.' When they saw him, they were amazed by him and cut their hands. They said, 'Allah preserve us! This is no man. What can this be but a noble angel here!' (12:31)  
He (Yusuf) said, 'No meal to feed you will arrive before I have informed you what they mean. That is part of what my Lord taught me. For I have left

the religion of a people who clearly have no faith in Allah and who refuse to acknowledge the truth of the world to come.' (12:37)

When they had gone a distance further on, he (Musa) said to his servant, 'Bring us our morning meal. Truly this journey of ours has made us tired.' (18:62)

## MEANING

It is He Who sent down the Book to you from Him: verses containing clear judgements—they are the core of the Book—and others which are open to interpretation. Those with deviation in their hearts follow what is open to interpretation in it, desiring conflict, seeking its inner meaning. No one knows its inner meaning but Allah. Those firmly rooted in knowledge say, 'We believe in it. All of it is from our Lord.' But only people of intelligence pay heed. (3:7)

Some of the Jews distort the true meaning of words, saying, 'We hear and disobey,' and 'Listen without listening,' and 'Listen to us!' twisting them with their tongues, disparaging the religion. If they had said, 'We hear and we obey,' and 'Listen,' and, 'Look at us!' that would have been better for them and more upright. But Allah has cursed them for their disbelief. Very few of them believe. (4:46)

But because of their breaking of their covenant, We have cursed them and made their hearts hard. They distort the true meaning of words and have forgotten a good portion of what they were reminded of. You will never cease to come upon some act of treachery on their part, except for a few of them. Yet pardon them, and overlook. Allah loves good-doers. (5:13)

O Messenger! Do not be grieved by those who rush headlong into disbelief among those who say 'We believe' with their tongues when their hearts contain no faith. And among the Jews are those who listen to lies, listening to other people who have not come to you, distorting words from their proper meanings, saying, 'If you are given this, then take it. If you are not given it, then beware!' If Allah desires misguidance for someone, you cannot help him against Allah in any way. Those are the people whose hearts Allah does

not want to purify. They will have disgrace in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (5:41)

No, the fact is that they have denied something which their knowledge does not embrace and the meaning of which has not yet reached them. In the same way those before them also denied the truth. See the final fate of the wrongdoers! (10:39)

(Yusuf's father said,) 'Accordingly your Lord will pick you out and teach you the true meaning of events and perfectly fulfil His blessing on you as well as on the family of Ya'qub as He fulfilled it perfectly before upon your forebears, Ibrahim and Ishaq. Most certainly your Lord is Knowing, Wise.' (12:6)

The Egyptian who had bought him told his wife, 'Look after him with honour and respect. It's possible he will be of use to us or perhaps we might adopt him as a son.' And thus We established Yusuf in the land to teach him the true meaning of events. Allah is in control of His affair. However, most of mankind do not know. (12:21) Two servants entered prison along with him. One said (to Yusuf), 'I dreamt that I was pressing grapes.' The other said, 'I dreamt I carried bread upon my head and birds were eating it. Tell us the true meaning of these dreams. We see that you're one of the righteous.' (12:36)

The King declared, 'I dreamt of seven fat cows which seven thin ones ate and seven green ears of wheat and seven others which were dry. O counsellors! Explain my dream to me if you are those who can interpret visions!' They said, 'A jumbled mass of mixed-up dreams! We do not know the meaning of such things.' The one of them who had been saved then said, remembering after a period, 'I will tell you what it signifies, so send me out.' (12:43-45)

He (Yusuf) raised his parents up onto the throne. The others fell prostrate in front of him. He said, 'My father, truly this is now the interpretation of the dream I had. My Lord has made it all come true; and He was kind to me by letting me out of prison and brought you from the desert when Satan had caused dissent between me and my brothers. My Lord is kind to anyone He wills. He

is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise. My Lord, You have granted power to me on earth and taught me the true meaning of events. Originator of the heavens and earth, You are my Friend in this world and the Next. So take me as a Muslim at my death and join me to the people who are righteous.' (12:100-101)

## MEASURE

And that you do not go near the property of orphans before they reach maturity—except in a good way; that you give full measure and full weight with justice—We impose on no self any more than it can bear; that you are equitable when you speak—even if a near relative is concerned; and that you fulfil Allah's contract. That is what He instructs you to do, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (6:152)

And to Madyan We sent their brother Shu'ayb who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. A Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord. Give full measure and full weight. Do not diminish people's goods. Do not cause corruption in the land after it has been put right. That is better for you if you are believers.' (7:85)

And to Madyan their brother Shu'ayb. He said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no god apart from Him. Do not give short measure and short weight. I see you prospering and I fear for you the punishment of an all-encompassing Day. My people! Give full measure and full weight with justice; do not diminish people's goods; and do not go about the earth, corrupting it.' (11:84-85)

Then, having supplied their needs, he (Yusuf) said to them, 'Bring me your brother, your father's youngest son. Do you not see that I dispense full measure and am the most hospitable of hosts?' (12:59)

(Yusuf said,) 'But if you do not bring him here to me, your measure from me then will be denied and you will not come near to me at all.' (12:60)

Then when they got back to their father's house, they said, 'Father! Our measure has been denied. Please send our brother with us so we may obtain our measure. We will take care of him.' (12:63)

Then when they opened up their saddlebags and found their merchandise returned to them, they said, 'Our father! What more could we ask! Here is our merchandise returned to us. We can provide our families with food, and guard our brother and get an extra load. That is an easy measure to obtain.' (12:65)

So when they came into his presence, they said, 'Your Eminence! Hardship has hit us and our families. We bring scant merchandise, but fill the measure for us generously. Allah always rewards a generous giver.' (12:88)

Give full measure when you measure and weigh with a level balance. That is better and gives the best result. (17:35)

(Shu'ayb said,) 'Give full measure. Do not skimp.' (26:181)

And (He will) provide for him from where he does not expect. Whoever puts his trust in Allah—He will be enough for him. Allah always achieves His aim. Allah has appointed a measure for all things. (65:3)

Vessels of silver and goblets of pure crystal will be passed round among them, crystalline silver—they have measured them very exactly. (76:15-16)

## MEAT

We will supply them with any kind of fruit and meat that they desire. (52:22)

And (believers will have in Gardens of Delight) any bird-meat they desire. (56:21)

## MENSTRUATION (HAYD)

They will ask you about menstruation. Say, 'It is an impurity, so keep apart from women during menstruation and do not approach them until they have purified themselves. But once they have purified themselves, then go to them in the way that Allah has enjoined on you.' Allah loves those who turn back from wrongdoing and He loves those who purify themselves. (2:222)

In the case of those of your wives who are past the age of menstruation, if you have any doubt, their waiting period should be three months, and that also applies to those who have not yet menstruated. The time for women who are pregnant is when they give birth. Whoever has fear of

Allah—He will make matters easy for him. (65:4)

## MERCY

Those are the people who will have blessings and mercy from their Lord; they are the ones who are guided. (2:157)

Your God is One God. There is no god but Him, the All-Merciful, the Most Merciful. (2:163)

He has only forbidden you carrion, blood and pork and what has been consecrated to other than Allah. But anyone who is forced to eat it—without desiring it or going to excess in it—commits no crime. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:173)

You who believe! Retaliation is prescribed for you in the case of people killed: free man for free man, slave for slave, female for female. But if someone is absolved by his brother, blood-money should be claimed with correctness and paid with good will. That is an easement and a mercy from your Lord. Anyone who goes beyond the limits after this will receive a painful punishment. (2:178)

But if someone fears bias or wrongdoing on the part of the person making the will, and puts things right between the people involved, in that case he has not committed any crime. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:182)

But if they cease, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:192)

Obey Allah and the Messenger so that hopefully you will gain mercy. ( 3:132)

Anyone who does evil or wrongs himself and then asks Allah's forgiveness will find Allah Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:110)

When they took full stock of what they had done and saw they had been misled, they said, 'If our Lord does not have mercy on us and forgive us, we will certainly be among the lost.' ( 7:149)

He (Musa) said, 'My Lord, forgive me and my brother and admit us into Your mercy. You are the Most Merciful of the merciful.' ( 7:151)

And among the desert arabs there are some who believe in Allah and the Last Day and regard what they give as something which will bring them nearer to Allah and to the prayers of the Messenger. It does indeed bring them near. Allah

will admit them into His mercy. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:99)

He (Nuh) said, 'My Lord, I seek refuge with You from asking You for anything about which I have no knowledge. If You do not forgive me and have mercy on me, I will be among the lost.' (11:47)

(Yusuf said,) 'I do not say my self was free from blame. The self indeed commands to evil acts—except for those my Lord has mercy on. My Lord, He is Forgiving, Merciful.' (12:53)

He (Yusuf) said, 'No blame at all will fall on you. Today you have forgiveness from Allah. He is the Most Merciful of the merciful.' (12:92)

They carry your loads to lands you would never reach except with great difficulty. Your Lord is All-Gentle, Most Merciful. (16:7)

Or (do they feel secure) that He will not seize them little by little? For your Lord is All-Compassionate, Most Merciful. (16:47)

But to those who migrated after they were persecuted and then strived and remained steadfast, to them your Lord is All-Compassionate, Most Merciful. (16:110)

(We decreed in the Book for the tribe of Israel:) 'It may well be that your Lord will have mercy on you. But if you revert to what you did, We also will revert. We have made Hell a prison for the disbelievers.' (17:8)

Your Lord knows you best. If He wills, He will have mercy on you, and, if He wills, He will punish you. We did not send you to be their guardian. (17:54)

Your Lord is He Who propels the ships on the sea for you so that you may seek His bounty. He is indeed Most Merciful to you. (17:66)

Your Lord is the Ever-Forgiving, the Possessor of Mercy. If He had taken them to task for what they have earned, He would have hastened their punishment. Instead, they have a promised appointment and they will not find any refuge from it. (18:58)

We endowed them with Our mercy and made them highly honoured. (19:50)

We endowed him (Musa) with Our mercy, making his brother Harun a Prophet. (19:53)

And Ayyub when he called out to his Lord, 'Great harm has afflicted me and You are the

Most Merciful of the merciful.' (21:83)

Do you not see that Allah has made everything on the earth subservient to you and the ships running upon the sea by His command? He holds back the heaven, preventing it from falling to the earth—except by His permission. Allah is All-Compassionate to mankind, Most Merciful. (22:65)

If We did have mercy on them and removed the harm afflicting them, they would still obstinately persist in wandering blindly in their excessive insolence. (23:75)

There was a group of My servants who said, "Our Lord, we believe, so forgive us and have mercy on us. You are the Best of the Merciful." (23:109)

Say: 'My Lord, forgive and be merciful! You are the Best of the Merciful.' (23:118)

Truly your Lord is the Almighty, the Most Merciful. (26:9)

He punishes anyone He wills and has mercy on anyone He wills. You will be returned to Him. (29:21)

Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and those who are with him are fierce to the disbelievers, merciful to one another. You see them bowing and prostrating, seeking Allah's good favour and His pleasure. Their mark is on their faces, the traces of prostration. That is their likeness in the Torah. And their likeness in the Gospel is that of a seed which puts up a shoot and makes it strong so that it thickens and grows up straight upon its stalk, filling the sowers with delight—so that by them He may infuriate the disbelievers. Allah has promised those of them who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (48:29)

Then We sent Our Messengers following in their footsteps and sent 'Isa son of Maryam after them, giving him the Gospel. We put compassion and mercy in the hearts of those who followed him. They invented monasticism—We did not prescribe it for them—purely out of desire to gain the pleasure of Allah, but even so they did not observe it as it should have been observed. To those of them who believed We gave their reward but many of them are deviators. (57:27)

## (LORD'S) MESSAGE

He (Nuh) said, 'My people, I am not in error at all but rather am a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds, transmitting my Lord's Message to you and giving you good counsel, and I know from Allah what you do not know.' (7:61-62)

He (Hud) said, 'My people, I am by no means a fool, but rather am a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds, transmitting my Lord's Message to you, and I am a faithful counsellor to you.' (7:67-68)

He (Salih) turned away from them and said, 'My people, I transmitted my Lord's message to you and gave you good counsel. However, you do not like good counsellors!' (7:79)

So he (Shu'ayb) turned away from them and said, 'My people, I transmitted My Lord's message to you and gave you good counsel. Why should I grieve for a disbelieving people?' (7:93)

He said, 'Musa, I have chosen you over all mankind for My Message and My Word. Take what I have given you and be among the thankful.' (7:144)

(Prophets are) those who conveyed Allah's Message and had fear of Him, fearing no one except Allah. Allah suffices as a Reckoner. (33:39)

(It is) so that He may know that they have indeed transmitted the Messages of their Lord. He encompasses what is in their hands and has counted the exact number of everything. (72:28)

## MESSENGER

We gave Musa the Book and sent a succession of Messengers after him. We gave 'Isa, son of Maryam, the Clear Signs and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. Why then, whenever a Messenger came to you with something your lower selves did not desire, did you grow arrogant, and deny some of them and murder others? (2:87)

These Messengers: We favoured some of them over others. Allah spoke directly to some of them and raised up some of them in rank. We gave Clear Signs to 'Isa, son of Maryam, and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. If Allah had willed, those who came after them would not have fought each other after the Clear Signs

came to them, but they differed. Among them there are those who believe and among them there are those who disbelieve. If Allah had willed, they would not have fought each other. But Allah does whatever He desires. (2:253)

The Messenger believes in what has been sent down to him from his Lord, and so do the believers. Each one believes in Allah and His angels and His Books and His Messengers. We do not differentiate between any of His Messengers. They say, 'We hear and we obey. Forgive us, our Lord! You are our journey's end.' (2:285)

Muhammad is only a Messenger and he has been preceded by other Messengers. If he were to die or be killed, would you turn on your heels? Those who turn on their heels do not harm Allah in any way. Allah will recompense the thankful. (3:144)

Allah will only leave the believers in the position you now are in so that He can sift out the rotten from the good. Allah has not given you access to the Unseen. But Allah chooses those of His Messengers whom He wills. So believe in Allah and His Messengers. If you believe and guard against evil you will have an immense reward. (3:179)

Those who say, 'Allah has made a contract with us that we should not believe in any Messenger until he brings us a sacrifice consumed by fire.' Say, 'Messengers came to you before me with the Clear Signs and with what you say. So why did you kill them if you are telling the truth?' (3:183)

If they deny you, Messengers before you were also denied, who brought the Clear Signs and written texts and the illuminating Book. (3:184)

(Those who remember Allah say,) 'Our Lord, give us what You promised us through Your Messengers, and do not disgrace us on the Day of Rising. You do not break Your promise.' (3:194)

You who believe! Believe in Allah and His Messenger and in the Book He sent down to His Messenger, and the Books He sent down before. Anyone who rejects Allah and His angels and His Books and His Messengers and the Last Day has gone very far astray. (4:136)

Those who believe in Allah and His Messengers

and do not differentiate between any of them, We will pay them their wages. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:152)

There are Messengers We have already told you about and Messengers We have not told you about; and Allah spoke directly to Musa. (4:164) Messengers bringing good news and giving warning, so that people will have no argument against Allah after the coming of the Messengers. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (4:165)

People of the Book! Our Messenger has come to you, making things clear to you, after a period with no Messengers, lest you should say, 'No one came to us bringing good news or warning.' Someone has come to you bringing good news and a warning. Allah has power over all things. (5:19)

Then Allah sent a crow which scratched at the earth to show him how to conceal his brother's corpse. He said, 'Woe is me! Can I not even be like this crow and conceal my brother's corpse?' And he became one of those who suffer bitter remorse on account of that. So We decreed for the tribe of Israel that if someone kills another person—unless it is in retaliation for someone else or for causing corruption in the earth—it is as if he had murdered all mankind. And if anyone gives life to another person, it is as if he had given life to all mankind. Our Messengers came to them with Clear Signs but even after that many of them committed outrages in the earth. (5:31-32)

The Messiah, the son of Maryam, was only a Messenger, before whom other Messengers came and went. His mother was a woman of truth. Both of them ate food. See how We make the Signs clear to them! Then see how they are perverted! (5:75)

On the day Allah gathers the Messengers together and says, 'What response did you receive?' they will say, 'We do not know. You are the Knower of unseen things.' (5:109)

Messengers before you were also mocked, but those who jeered were engulfed by what they mocked. (6:10)

Messengers before you were also denied but they were steadfast in the face of the denial and injury they suffered until Our help arrived. There is no

changing the Words of Allah. And news of other Messengers has come to you. (6:34)

When a Sign comes to them, they say, 'We will not believe until we have been given the same as the Messengers of Allah were given.' Allah knows best where to place His Message. Debasement in the sight of Allah and a severe punishment will strike those who did wrong for the plots that they concocted. (6:124)

Company of jinn and men! Did not Messengers come to you from among yourselves relating My Signs to you and warning you of the encounter of this Day of yours? They will say, 'We testify against ourselves.' The life of this world deluded them and they will testify against themselves that they were disbelievers. (6:130)

Children of Adam! If Messengers come to you from among yourselves, recounting My Signs to you, those who guard against evil and put things right, will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (7:35)

We will strip away any rancour in their hearts. Rivers will flow under them and they will say, 'Praise be to Allah Who has guided us to this! We would not have been guided, had Allah not guided us. The Messengers of our Lord came with the Truth.' It will be proclaimed to them: 'This is your Garden which you have inherited for what you did.' (7:43)

What are they waiting for but its fulfilment? The Day its fulfilment occurs, those who forgot it before will say, 'The Messengers of our Lord came with the Truth. Are there any intercessors to intercede for us, or can we be sent back so that we can do something other than what we did?' They have lost their own selves and what they invented has forsaken them. (7:53)

These cities—We have given you news of them. Their Messengers came to them with Clear Signs, but they were never going to believe in what they had previously rejected. That is how Allah seals up the hearts of the disbelievers. (7:101)

Has the news of those who came before them not reached them the people of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud, and the people of Ibrahim and the inhabitants of Madyan and the overturned cities? Their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs.

Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (9:70)

We destroyed generations before you when they did wrong. Their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs, but they were never going to believe. That is how We repay evildoers. (10:13)

Then after him We sent Messengers to their people, and they brought them the Clear Signs, but they were never going to believe in something which they had previously denied. That is how We seal up the hearts of those who overstep the limits. (10:74)

Then We will rescue Our Messengers and those who believe as well. It is incumbent upon Us to rescue the believers. (10:103)

That was 'Ad. They denied the Signs of their Lord and disobeyed His Messengers and followed the command of every obdurate tyrant. (11:59)

We have given you all this news about the Messengers so We can make your heart firm by means of it. The truth has come to you in this and an admonishment and reminder to the believers. (11:120)

Then when the Messengers despaired and thought themselves denied, Our help came to them, and those We willed were saved. Our violent force cannot be averted from people who are evildoers. (12:110)

Messengers before you were mocked. I gave those who disbelieved a little more time and then I seized them. How terrible was My retribution! (13:32)

We sent Messengers before you and gave them wives and children. Nor was any Messenger able to bring a Sign except by Allah's permission. There is a prescribed limit to every term. (13:38) Has news not reached you of those who came before you, the peoples of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud, and those who came after them who are known to no one but Allah? Their Messengers came to them with Clear Signs, but they put their hands to their mouths, saying, 'We reject what you have been sent with. We have grave doubts about what you are calling us to.' (14:9)

Their Messengers said, 'Is there any doubt about Allah, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and the earth? He summons you to forgive you for

your wrong actions and to defer you until a specified time.' They said, 'You are nothing but human beings like ourselves who want to debar us from what our fathers worshipped; so bring us a clear authority.' (14:10)

Their Messengers said to them, 'We are nothing but human beings like yourselves. But Allah shows favour to any of His servants He wills. It is not for us to bring you an authority except by Allah's permission. So let the believers put their trust in Allah.' (14:11)

Those who disbelieved said to their Messengers, 'We will drive you from our land unless you return to our religion.' Their Lord revealed to them, 'We will destroy those who do wrong.' (14:13)

Warn mankind of the Day when the punishment will reach them. Those who did wrong will say, 'Our Lord, reprieve us for a short time. We will respond to Your call and follow the Messengers.' 'But did you not swear to Me before that you would never meet your downfall?' (14:44)

Do not imagine that Allah will break His promise to His Messengers. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (14:47)

The idolaters say, 'If Allah had willed we would not have worshipped anything apart from Him, neither we nor our fathers, nor would we have forbidden anything without His say.' Those before them said the same. Are the Messengers responsible for anything but clear transmission? (16:35)

That was the pattern with those We sent before you as Our Messengers. You will not find any changing of Our pattern. (17:77)

That is their repayment—Hell—because they disbelieved and made a mockery of My Signs and of My Messengers. (18:106)

Messengers before you were also mocked, but those who jeered were engulfed by what they mocked. (21:41)

Allah chooses Messengers from the angels and from mankind. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Seeing. (22:75)

Then We sent Our Messengers one after another, at intervals. Each time its Messenger came to a community they called him a liar so We made them follow one another too and turned them into myths and legends. Away with the people

who have no faith! (23:44)

Messengers, eat of the good things and act rightly. I most certainly know what you do. (23:51)

And when the people of Nuh denied the Messengers, We drowned them and made them a Sign for all mankind. We have prepared a painful punishment for the wrongdoers. (25:37)

When Our messengers came with the good news to Ibrahim, they said, 'We are going to destroy the people of this city. Truly its inhabitants are wrongdoers.' (29:31)

When Our Messengers came to Lut, he was distressed on their account, feeling incapable of protecting them. They said, 'Do not fear and do not grieve. We are going to rescue you and your family—except for your wife; she will be one of those who stay behind.' (29:33)

Have they not travelled in the earth and seen the final fate of those before them? They had greater strength than them and cultivated the land and inhabited it in far greater numbers than they do. Their Messengers also came to them with the Clear Signs. Allah would never have wronged them; but they wronged themselves. (30:9)

Before you We sent other Messengers to their people, and they too brought them the Clear Signs. We took revenge on those who did evil; and it is Our duty to help the believers. (30:47) Those before them also denied the truth but these people do not have even a tenth of what We gave to them. They denied My Messengers. And how complete was My denial! (34:45)

Praise be to Allah, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and earth, He Who made the angels messengers, with wings—two, three or four. He adds to creation in any way He wills. Allah has power over all things. (35:1)

If they deny you, Messengers before you were also denied. All matters return to Allah. (35:4)

If they deny you, those before them also denied the truth. Their Messengers came to them with Clear Signs, and psalms and the Illuminating Book. (35:25)

Each one of them denied the Messengers and so My punishment was justly carried out. (38:14) Those who disbelieve will be driven to Hell in

companies and when they arrive there and its gates are opened its custodians will say to them, 'Did Messengers from yourselves not come to you, reciting your Lord's Signs to you and warning you of the meeting on this Day of yours?' They will say, 'Indeed they did, but the decree of punishment is justly carried out against the disbelievers.' (39:71)

That was because their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs but they remained disbelievers. So Allah seized them. He is Most Strong, Severe in Retribution. (40:22)

They (custodians of Hell) will ask, 'Did your Messengers not bring you the Clear Signs?' They will answer, 'Yes.' They will say, 'Then you call!' But the calling of the disbelievers only goes astray. (40:50)

We will certainly help Our Messengers and those who believe both in the life of this world and on the Day the witnesses appear. (40:51)

Those who deny the Book and that with which We sent Our Messengers will certainly come to know. (40:70)

We sent Messengers before you. Some of them We have told you about and others We have not told you about. No Messenger can bring a Sign except with Allah's permission. But when Allah's command comes the matter will be decided with truth and then and there the liars will be lost. (40:78)

When their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs, they exulted in the knowledge they had and then were engulfed by the very things they mocked. (40:83)

When the Messengers came to them from in front and from behind, saying, 'Do not worship anyone but Allah', they said, 'If our Lord had willed, He could have sent angels down, so we reject the Message you have been sent with.' (41:14)

Nothing has been said to you that was not said to the Messengers before you. Your Lord is the Possessor of forgiveness but also of painful retribution. (41:43)

Ask those We sent before you as Our Messengers: Have We ever designated any gods to be worshipped besides the All-Merciful? (43:45)

Say: 'I am nothing new among the Messengers. I have no idea what will be done with me or you. I only follow what has been revealed to me. I am only a clear warner.' (46:9)

So be steadfast as the Messengers with firm resolve were also steadfast. And do not seek to hasten it for them. On the Day they see what they were promised, it will be as if they had only tarried for just one hour of a single day. It has been transmitted! Will any be destroyed except for deviant people? (46:35)

Those who believe in Allah and His Messengers—such people are the truly sincere—and the martyrs who are with their Lord will receive their wages and their light. But those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs, will be Companions of the Blazing Fire. (57:19)

Race each other to forgiveness from your Lord and to a Garden, whose breadth is like that of heaven and earth combined, made ready for those who believe in Allah and His Messengers. That is Allah's favour which He gives to those He wills. Allah's favour is indeed immense. (57:21)

We sent Our Messengers with the Clear Signs and sent down the Book and the Balance with them so that mankind might establish justice. And We sent down iron in which there lies great force and which has many uses for mankind, so that Allah might know those who help Him and His Messengers in the Unseen. Allah is All-Strong, Almighty. (57:25)

Then We sent Our Messengers following in their footsteps and sent 'Isa son of Maryam after them, giving him the Gospel. We put compassion and mercy in the hearts of those who followed him. They invented monasticism—We did not prescribe it for them—purely out of desire to gain the pleasure of Allah, but even so they did not observe it as it should have been observed. To those of them who believed We gave their reward but many of them are deviators. (57:27)

Allah has written, 'I will be victorious, I and My Messengers.' Allah is Most Strong, Almighty. (58:21)

Whatever booty from them Allah has given to His Messenger—and you spurred on neither horse nor camel in its acquisition, but Allah gives

power to His Messengers over anyone He wills, Allah has power over all things. (59:6)

How many cities spurned their Lord's command and His Messengers! And so We called them harshly to account and punished them with a terrible punishment. (65:8)

## MESSIAH

When the angels said, 'Maryam, your Lord gives you good news of a Word from Him. His name is the Messiah, 'Isa, son of Maryam, of high esteem in this world and the hereafter, and one of those brought near.' (3:45)

And (We punished them) on account of their disbelief, and their utterance of a monstrous slander against Maryam, and their saying, 'We killed the Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, Messenger of Allah.' They did not kill him and they did not crucify him but it was made to seem so to them. Those who argue about him are in doubt about it. They have no real knowledge of it, just conjecture. But they certainly did not kill him. (4:156-157)

People of the Book! Do not go to excess in your religion. Say nothing but the truth about Allah. The Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, was only the Messenger of Allah and His Word, which He cast into Maryam, and a Spirit from Him. So believe in Allah and His Messengers. Do not say, 'Three.' It is better that you stop. Allah is only One God. He is too Glorious to have a son! Everything in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Him. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:171)

The Messiah would never disdain to be a servant to Allah nor would the angels near to Him. If any do disdain to worship Him, and grow arrogant, He will in any case gather them all to Him. (4:172)

Those who say, 'Allah is the Messiah, son of Maryam,' disbelieve. Say: 'Who possesses any power at all over Allah if He desires to destroy the Messiah, son of Maryam, and his mother, and everyone else on earth?' The kingdom of the heavens and the earth and everything between them belongs to Allah. He creates whatever He wills. Allah has power over all things. (5:17)

Those who say that the Messiah, son of Maryam, is Allah are disbelievers. The Messiah said, 'Tribe of Israel! Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord. If

anyone associates anything with Allah, Allah has forbidden him the Garden and his refuge will be the Fire.' The wrongdoers will have no helpers. (5:72)

The Messiah, the son of Maryam, was only a Messenger, before whom other Messengers came and went. His mother was a woman of truth. Both of them ate food. See how We make the Signs clear to them! Then see how they are perverted! (5:75)

The Jews say, "Uzayr is the son of Allah," and the Christians say, 'The Messiah is the son of Allah.' That is what they say with their mouths, copying the words of those who disbelieved before. Allah fight them! How perverted they are! (9:30) They have taken their rabbis and monks as lords besides Allah, and also the Messiah, son of Maryam. Yet they were commanded to worship only one God. There is no god but Him! Glory be to Him above anything they associate with Him! (9:31)

## METEOR

(Say: 'It has been revealed to me that a band of the jinn listened and said,) "We tried, as usual, to travel to heaven in search of news but found it filled with fierce guards and meteors. We used to sit there on special seats to listen in. But anyone listening now finds a fiery meteor in wait for him." (72:8-9)

## MICHAEL (MIKA'IL)

(Say,) 'Anyone who is the enemy of Allah and of His angels, and of His Messengers and of Gabriel and Michael, should know that Allah is the enemy of the disbelievers.' (2:98)

## MIDDLE

In this way We have made you a middlemost community, so that you may act as witnesses against mankind and the Messenger as a witness against you. We only appointed the direction you used to face in order to know those who follow the Messenger from those who turn round on their heels. Though in truth it is a very hard thing—except for those Allah has guided. Allah would never let your faith go to waste. Allah is

All-Gentle, Most Merciful to mankind. (2:143)  
So he will look down and see him in the midst of the Blazing Fire. (37:55)

By the charging horses panting hard, striking sparks from their flashing hooves, raiding at full gallop in the early dawn, leaving a trailing dust-cloud in their wake, cleaving through the middle of the foe, truly man is ungrateful to his Lord. (100:1-6)

(Believers are) those who, when they spend, are neither extravagant nor mean, but take a stance mid way between the two. (25:67)

## MIGHT

Do not be grieved by what they say. All might belongs to Allah. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing. (10:65)

They (the magicians) threw down their ropes and staffs and said, 'By the might of Pharaoh we are the winners.' (26:44)

He (Satan) said, 'By Your might, I will mislead all of them.' (38:82)

They say, 'If we return to Madina, the mightier will drive out the inferior.' But all might belongs to Allah and to His Messenger and the believers. But the hypocrites do not know this. (63:8)

## MIGRANTS (MUHAJIRUN)

The forerunners—the first of the Migrants (Muhaajirun) and the Supporters (Ansar)—and those who have followed them in doing good: Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. He has prepared Gardens for them with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. That is the great victory. (9:100)

Allah has turned towards the Prophet, and the Migrants (Muhaajirun) and the Supporters (Ansar), those who followed him at the 'time of difficulty', after the hearts of a group of them had almost deviated. Then He turned towards them—He is All-Gentle, Most Merciful to them. (9:117)

The Prophet is closer to the believers than their own selves, and his wives are their mothers. But blood-relations have closer ties to one another in the Book of Allah than other believers and the emigrants, except that you should act in a proper

manner towards your close associates. That is inscribed in the Book. (33:6)

### **MIGRATION (HIJRA)**

Those who believe and migrate and strive in the Way of Allah can expect Allah's mercy. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:218)

Their Lord responds to them: 'I will not let the deeds of any doer among you go to waste, male or female—you are both the same in that respect. Those who migrated and were driven from their homes and suffered harm in My Way and fought and were killed, I will erase their bad actions from them and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, as a reward from Allah. The best of all rewards is with Allah.' (3:195)

They would like you to disbelieve as they disbelieve so that you will all be the same. Do not take any of them as friends until they have migrated in the Way of Allah. But if they run away then seize them and kill them wherever you find them. Do not take any of them as either a friend or helper. (4:89)

The angels ask those they take while they are wronging themselves, 'What were your circumstances?' They reply, 'We were oppressed on earth.' They say, 'Was Allah's earth not wide enough for you to have migrated elsewhere in it?' The shelter of such people will be Hell. What an evil destination! (4:97)

Those who migrate in the Way of Allah will find many places of refuge on the earth and ample sustenance. If anyone leaves his home, migrating to Allah and His Messenger, and death catches up with him, it is Allah Who will reward him. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:100)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah, and those who have given refuge and help, they are the friends and protectors of one another. But as for those who believe but have not migrated, you are not in any way responsible for their protection until they migrate. But if they ask you for help in respect of the religion, it is your duty to help them, except against people you have a treaty with. Allah sees what

you do. (8:72)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived in the Way of Allah and those who have given refuge and help, they are the true believers. They will have forgiveness and generous provision. (8:74)

Those who believe and migrate later on and accompany you in striving, they also are of your number. But blood relations are closer to one another in the Book of Allah. Allah has knowledge of all things. (8:75)

Those who believe and migrate and strive in the Way of Allah with their wealth and themselves have a higher rank with Allah. They are the ones who are victorious. (9:20)

As for those who migrate for Allah's sake after being wronged, We shall give them good lodging in this world, and the reward of the hereafter is greater still if they only knew. (16:41)

But to those who migrated after they were persecuted and then strived and remained steadfast, to them your Lord is All-Compassionate, Most Merciful. (16:110)

Those who migrate in the Way of Allah and then are killed or die, Allah will provide for them handsomely. Truly Allah is the best Provider. (22:58)

Those of you possessing affluence and ample wealth should not make oaths that they will not give to their relatives and the very poor and those who have migrated in the way of Allah. They should rather pardon and overlook. Would you not love Allah to forgive you? Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:22)

And Lut believed in him. He said, 'I am leaving this place to follow the pleasure of my Lord. He is the Almighty, the All Wise.' (29:26)

O Prophet! We have made lawful for you: your wives to whom you have given dowries and any slavegirls you own from the booty Allah has allotted you and the daughters of your paternal uncles and the daughters of your paternal aunts and the daughters of your maternal uncles and the daughters of your maternal aunts who have migrated with you and any believing woman who gives herself to the Prophet if the Prophet desires to marry her: exclusively for you as opposed to the rest of the believers—We know very well what We have

prescribed for them regarding their wives and any slavegirls they possess—in order that there be no restriction on you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:50)

Those who were already settled in the abode, and in faith, before they came, love those who have migrated to them and do not find in their hearts any need for what they have been given and prefer them to themselves even if they themselves are needy. It is the people who are safe-guarded from the avarice of their own selves who are successful. (59:9)

You who believe! When women who believe come to you as emigrants, submit them to a test. Allah has best knowledge of their faith. If you know they are believers, do not return them to the disbelievers. They are not lawful for the disbelievers nor are the disbelievers lawful for them. Give the disbelievers whatever dowry they paid. And there is nothing wrong in your marrying them provided you pay them their due. Do not hold to any marriage ties with women who disbelieve. Ask for what you paid and let them ask for what they paid. That is Allah's judgement. Allah will judge between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (60:10)

### **MIKA'IL (SEE MICHAEL)**

#### **MILK**

There is instruction for you in cattle. From the contents of their bellies, from between the dung and blood, We give you pure milk to drink, easy for drinkers to swallow. (16:66)

An image of the Garden which is promised to those who guard against evil: in it there are rivers of water which will never spoil and rivers of milk whose taste will never change and rivers of wine, delightful to all who drink it, and rivers of honey of undiluted purity; in it they will have fruit of every kind and forgiveness from their Lord. Is that like those who will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever, with boiling water to drink which lacerates their bowels? (47:15)

#### **MISERABLE**

We did not send down the Qur'an to you to

make you miserable. (20:2)

We said, 'Adam, this is an enemy for you and your wife, so do not let him expel you from the Garden and thus make you miserable.' (20:117)

He said, 'Go down from it, all of you, as enemies to one another! But when guidance comes to you from Me, all those who follow My guidance will not go astray and will not be miserable.' (20:123) They will say, 'Our Lord, our miserable destiny overpowered us. We were misguided people.' (23:106)

He who has fear will be reminded; but the most miserable will shun it. (87:10-11)

#### **MISGUIDANCE**

Those are the people who have sold guidance for misguidance. Their trade has brought no profit; they are not guided. (2:16)

Those are the ones who have sold guidance for misguidance and forgiveness for punishment. How steadfastly they will endure the Fire! (2:175)

Those who disbelieve after believing and then increase in their disbelief, their repentance will not be accepted. They are the misguided. (3:90)

Allah showed great kindness to the believers when He sent a Messenger to them from among themselves to recite His Signs to them and purify them and teach them the Book and Wisdom, even though before that they were clearly misguided. (3:164)

Do you not see those who were given a portion of the Book trading in misguidance and wanting you to be misguided from the way? (4:44)

Do you not see those who claim that they believe in what has been sent down to you and what was sent down before you, still desiring to turn to a satanic source for judgement in spite of being ordered to reject it? Satan wants to misguide them far away. (4:60)

Remember when Ibrahim said to his father, Azar, 'Do you take idols as gods? I see that you and your people are clearly misguided.' (6:74)

One group He guided; but another group got the misguidance they deserved. They took the Satans as friends instead of Allah and thought that they were guided. (7:30)

Allah would never misguide a people after guiding them until He had made it clear to them how to guard against evil. Allah has knowledge of all things. (9:115)

That is Allah, your Lord, the Truth, and what is there after truth except misguidance? So how have you been distracted? (10:32)

Those who prefer the life of this world to the hereafter, and bar access to the way of Allah, wanting to make it crooked; they are greatly misguided. (14:3)

The metaphor of those who reject their Lord is that their actions are like ashes scattered by strong winds on a stormy day. They have no power at all over anything they have earned. That is extreme misguidance. (14:18)

We sent a Messenger among every people saying: 'Worship Allah and keep clear of all false gods.' Among them were some whom Allah guided but others received the misguidance they deserved. Travel about the earth and see the final fate of the deniers. (16:36)

How clear will be their hearing, how perfect their sight, on the Day they come to Us; whereas today the wrongdoers are clearly misguided. (19:38)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'You and your fathers are clearly misguided.' (21:54)

Instead of Allah, he calls on something which cannot harm him or help him. That is extreme misguidance. (22:12)

When they see you they only make a mockery of you: 'Is this the one Allah has sent as a Messenger? He might almost have misled us from our gods had we not stuck to them steadfastly!' They will soon know, when they see the punishment, whose way is the most misguided. (25:41-42)

(They will say,) 'By Allah, we were plainly misguided when We equated you with the Lord of all the worlds.' (26:97-98)

He Who has imposed the Qur'an upon you will most certainly bring you back home again. Say: 'My Lord knows best who has brought true guidance and who is plainly misguided.' (28:85)

You will not guide blind men from their misguidance. You will not make anyone hear except for

those who believe in Our Signs and so are Muslims. (30:53)

This is Allah's creation. Show me then what those besides Him have created! The wrongdoers are clearly misguided. (31:11)

When Allah and His Messenger have decided something it is not for any man or woman of the believers to have a choice about it. Anyone who disobeys Allah and His Messenger is clearly misguided. (33:36)

Has he invented a lie against Allah or is he possessed? No indeed! Those who do not believe in the hereafter are in punishment and deeply misguided. (34:8)

(A man from far side of the city said,) 'Am I to take as gods instead of Him those whose intercession, if the All-Merciful desires harm for me, will not help me at all and cannot save me? In that case I would clearly be misguided.' (36:23-24)

They found their fathers misguided. (37:69)

Is he whose breast is opened to Islam, and who is therefore illuminated by his Lord...? Woe to those whose hearts are hardened against the remembrance of Allah! Such people are clearly misguided. (39:22)

Say: 'What do you think? If it is from Allah and you reject it, who could be more misguided than someone entrenched in hostility to it?' (41:52)

Those who do not believe in it try to hasten it. But those who believe in it are afraid of it. They know it is the truth. Those who doubt the Hour are greatly misguided. (42:18)

Can you make the deaf hear or guide the blind and those who are patently misguided? (43:40)

(A group of jinn said,) 'Those who do not respond to Allah's caller cannot thwart Allah on earth and have no protectors apart from Him. Such people are clearly misguided.' (46:32)

They said, 'Are we to follow a human being, one of us? Then we would truly be misguided, quite insane!' (54:24)

Then you, you misguided, you deniers will eat from the tree of Zaqqum, (56:51-52)

And if he is one of the misguided deniers, there is hospitality of scalding water. (56:92-93)

It is He Who raised up among the unlettered peo-

ple a Messenger from them to recite His Signs to them and purify them and teach them the Book and Wisdom, even though before that they were clearly misguided. (62:2)

(Nuh said, 'My Lord!) They have misguided many people. Do not increase the wrongdoers in anything but misguidance!' (71:24)

### MISTAKE

Remember when We said, 'Go into this town and eat from it wherever you like, freely. Enter the gate prostrating and say, "Relieve us of our burdens!" Your mistakes will be forgiven. We will grant increase to all good-doers.' (2:58)

No indeed! Those who accumulate bad actions and are surrounded by their mistakes, such people are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:81)

Allah does not impose on any self any more than it can stand. For it is what it has earned; against it, what it has brought upon itself. 'Our Lord, do not take us to task if we forget or make a mistake! Our Lord, do not place on us a load like the one You placed on those before us! Our Lord, do not place on us a load we have not the strength to bear! And pardon us; and forgive us; and have mercy on us. You are our Master, so help us against the people of the disbelievers.' (2:286)

A believer should never kill another believer unless it is by mistake. Anyone who kills a believer by mistake should free a believing slave and pay blood-money to his family unless they forgo it as a charity. If he is from a people who are your enemies and is a believer, you should free a believing slave. If he is from a people you have a treaty with, blood money should be paid to his family and you should free a believing slave. Anyone who cannot find the means should fast two consecutive months. This is a concession from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4: 92)

When they were told: 'Live in this town and eat of it wherever you like and say, "Relieve us of our burdens!" and enter the gate prostrating. Your mistakes will be forgiven you. We will grant increase to good-doers.' (7:161)

When they declared, 'Why! Yusuf and his brother are dearer to our father than we are al-

though we constitute a powerful group. Our father is clearly making a mistake.' (12:8)

They said, 'Our father, may we be forgiven for all the many wrongs that we have done. We were indeed greatly mistaken men.' (12:97)

Do not kill your children out of fear of being poor. We will provide for them and you. Killing them is a terrible mistake. (17:31)

(Magicians said to Pharaoh,) 'We have believed in our Lord so that He may forgive us for our mistakes and for the magic which you forced us to perform. Allah is better and longer lasting.' (20:73)

(Magicians said,) 'We remain hopeful that our Lord will forgive us our mistakes for being the first of the believers.' (26:51)

(Ibrahim said,) 'He Who I sincerely hope will forgive my mistakes on the Day of Reckoning.' (26:82)

Those who disbelieve say to those who believe, 'Follow our way and we will bear the weight of your mistakes.' They will not bear the weight of a single one of their mistakes. Truly they are liars. (29:12)

Call them after their fathers. That is closer to justice in Allah's sight. And if you do not know who their fathers were then they are your brothers in the religion and people under your patronage. You are not to blame for any honest mistake you make but only for what your hearts premeditate. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:5)

Pharaoh and those before him and the Overturned Cities made a great mistake. (69:9)

### MOCKERY

When they meet those who believe, they say, 'We believe.' But then when they go apart with their Satans, they say, 'We are really with you. We were only mocking.' (2:14)

But Allah is mocking them, and drawing them on, as they wander blindly in their excessive insolence. (2:15)

And when Musa said to his people, 'Allah commands you to sacrifice a cow,' they said, 'What! Are you making a mockery of us?' He said, 'I seek refuge with Allah from being one of the ignorant!' (2:67)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, then either retain them with correctness and courtesy or release them with correctness and courtesy. Do not retain them by force, thus overstepping the limits. Anyone who does that has wronged himself. Do not make a mockery of Allah's Signs. Remember Allah's blessing to you and the Book and Wisdom He has sent down to you to admonish you. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:231)

It has been sent down to you in the Book that when you hear Allah's Signs being rejected and mocked at by people, you must not sit with them till they start talking of other things. If you do you are just the same as them. Allah will gather all the hypocrites and disbelievers into Hell. (4:140) You who believe! Do not take as friends any of those who who make a mockery and a game out of your religion among the ones who were given the Book before you or the disbelievers. Have fear of Allah if you are believers. (5:57)

When you call to prayer they make a mockery and a game of it. That is because they are people who do not use their intellect. (5:58)

They deny the truth each time it comes to them but news of what they were mocking will certainly reach them. (6:5)

Messengers before you were also mocked, but those who jeered were engulfed by what they mocked. (6:10)

When you see people engrossed in mockery of Our Signs, turn from them until they start to talk of other things. And if Satan should ever cause you to forget, once you remember, do not stay sitting with the wrongdoers. (6:68)

The hypocrites are afraid that a sura may be sent down about them, informing them of what is in their hearts. Say: 'Go on mocking! Allah will expose everything you are afraid of.' (9:64)

If you ask them they will say, 'We were only joking and playing around.' Say: 'Would you make a mockery of Allah and of His Signs and of His Messenger?' (9:65)

As for the people who find fault with those believers who give charity spontaneously, and with those who can find nothing to give but their own

effort, and deride them, Allah derides them. They will have a painful punishment. (9:79)

If We postpone the punishment for them for a limited time, they will say, 'What is holding it back?' No, indeed! The day it reaches them it will not be averted from them and the things they mocked at will encompass them. (11:8)

Messengers before you were mocked. I gave those who disbelieved a little more time and then I seized them. How terrible was My retribution! (13:32)

No Messenger came to them without their mocking him. (15:11)

We are enough for you against the mockers. (15:95)

The evil actions they did assailed them. They were engulfed by what they mocked. (16:34)

We only send the Messengers to bring good news and to give warning. Those who disbelieve use fallacious arguments to deny the truth. They make a mockery of My Signs and also of the warning they were given. (18:56)

That is their repayment—Hell—because they disbelieved and made a mockery of My Signs and of My Messengers. (18:106)

When those who disbelieve see you, they only make a mockery out of you: 'Is this the one who makes mention of your gods?' Yet they disown any mention of the All-Merciful. (21:36)

Messengers before you were also mocked, but those who jeered were engulfed by what they mocked. (21:41)

(Their Lord will say,) 'But you made a mockery of them so that they made you forget to remember Me while you were laughing at them.' (23:110)

When they see you they only make a mockery of you: 'Is this the one Allah has sent as a Messenger?' (25:41)

They have denied the truth, but the news of what they mocked will certainly come to them. (26:6)

Then the final fate of those who did evil will be the Worst because they denied Allah's Signs and mocked at them. (30:10)

But there are some people who trade in distracting tales to misguide people from Allah's Way knowing nothing about it and to make a mockery of it. Such people will have a humiliating punish-

ment. (31:6)

Alas for My servants! No Messenger comes to them without their mocking him. (36:30)

What confronts them will be the evil actions which they earned and what they used to mock at will engulf them. (39:48)

When their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs, they exulted in the knowledge they had and then were engulfed by the very things they mocked. (40:83)

But no Prophet came to them without their mocking him. (43:7)

When he does learn something of Our Signs, he makes a mockery of them. Such people will have a humiliating punishment. (45:9)

The evil deeds they did will appear before them and the things they mocked at will engulf them. (45:33)

(Disbelievers will be told,) 'That is because you made a mockery of Allah's Signs and the life of this world deluded you.' Therefore, today they will not get out of it. They will not be able to appease Allah. (45:35)

We established them far more firmly than We have established you and gave them hearing, sight and hearts. But their hearing, sight and hearts were of no use to them at all when they renounced Allah's Signs and what they mocked at engulfed them. (46:26)

You who believe! People should not ridicule others who may be better than themselves; nor should any women ridicule other women who may be better than themselves. And do not find fault with one another or insult each other with derogatory nicknames. How evil it is to have a name for evil conduct after coming to faith! Those people who do not turn from it are wrongdoers. (49:11)

## **MOHAMMED (SEE MUHAMMAD (SAAS))**

### **MONASTICISM**

Then We sent Our Messengers following in their footsteps and sent 'Isa son of Maryam after them, giving him the Gospel. We put compassion and mercy in the hearts of those who followed him. They invented monasticism—We did not prescribe it for them—purely out of desire to gain the

pleasure of Allah, but even so they did not observe it as it should have been observed. To those of them who believed We gave their reward but many of them are deviators. (57:27)

### **MONASTERY**

If Allah had not driven some people back by means of others, monasteries, churches, synagogues and mosques, where Allah's name is mentioned much, would have been pulled down and destroyed. Allah will certainly help those who help Him—Allah is All-Strong, Almighty. (22:39-40)

### **MONK**

You will find that the people most hostile to those who believe are the Jews and the idolaters. You will find the people most affectionate to those who believe are those who say, 'We are Christians.' That is because some of them are priests and monks and because they are not arrogant. (5:82)

They have taken their rabbis and monks as lords besides Allah, and also the Messiah, son of Maryam. Yet they were commanded to worship only one God. There is no god but Him! Glory be to Him above anything they associate with Him! (9:31)

You who believe! Many of the rabbis and monks devour people's property under false pretences and bar people from access to the Way of Allah. As for those who hoard up gold and silver and do not spend it in the Way of Allah, give them the news of a painful punishment (9:34)

### **MOON**

They will ask you about the crescent moons. Say, 'They are set times for mankind and for the pilgrimage.' It is not devoutness for you to enter houses by the back. Rather devoutness is possessed by those who guard against evil. So come to houses by their doors and have fear of Allah, so that hopefully you will be successful. (2:189) Then when he (Ibrahim) saw the moon come up he said, 'This is my Lord!' Then when it set he said, 'If my Lord does not guide me, I will be one of the misguided people.' (6:77)

It is He Who splits the sky at dawn, and appoints the night as a time of stillness and the sun and moon as a means of reckoning. That is what the Almighty, the All-Knowing has ordained. (6:96) Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then settled Himself firmly on the Throne. He covers the day with the night, each pursuing the other urgently; and the sun and moon and stars are subservient to His command. Both creation and command belong to Him. Blessed be Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (7:54)

It is He Who appointed the sun to give radiance, and the moon to give light, assigning it phases so you would know the number of years and the reckoning of time. Allah did not create these things except with truth. We make the Signs clear for people who know. (10:5)

When Yusuf told his father, 'Father! I saw eleven bright stars, and the sun and moon as well. I saw them all prostrate in front of me.' (12:4)

Allah is He Who raised up the heavens without any support—you can see that—and then established Himself firmly on the Throne. He made the sun and moon subservient, each running for a specified term. He directs the whole affair. He makes the Signs clear so that hopefully you will be certain about the meeting with your Lord. (13:2)

And He has made the sun and moon subservient to you holding steady to their courses, and He has made the night and day subservient to you. (14:33)

He has made night and day subservient to you, and the sun and moon and stars, all subject to His command. There are certainly Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (16:12)

It is He Who created night and day and the sun and moon, each one swimming in a sphere. (21:33)

Do you not see that everyone in the heavens and everyone on the earth prostrates to Allah, and the sun and moon and stars and the mountains, trees and beasts and many of mankind? But many of them inevitably merit punishment. Those Allah humiliates will have no one to honour them. Allah does whatever He wills. (22:18)

Blessed be He Who placed constellations in the sky and put a blazing lamp and shining moon among them. (25:61)

If you ask them, 'Who created the heavens and the earth and made the sun and moon subservient?' they will say, 'Allah.' So how have they been perverted? (29:61)

Do you not see that Allah makes night merge into day and day merge into night, and that He has made the sun and moon subservient, each one running for a specified time, and that Allah is aware of what you do? That is because Allah—He is the Truth, and what you call upon besides Him is falsehood. Allah is the All-High, the Most Great. (31:29-30)

He makes night merge into day and day merge into night, and He has made the sun and moon subservient, each one running until a specified time. That is Allah, your Lord. The Kingdom is His. Those you call on besides Him have no power over even the smallest speck. (35:13)

And We have decreed set phases for the moon, until it ends up looking like an old palm spathe. It is not for the sun to overtake the moon nor for the night to outstrip the day; each one is swimming in a sphere. (36:39-40)

He created the heavens and the earth with truth. He wraps the night around the day and wraps the day around the night, and has made the sun and moon subservient, each one running for a specified term. Is He not indeed the Almighty, the Endlessly Forgiving? (39:5)

Among His Signs are the night and day and the sun and moon. Do not prostrate to the sun nor to the moon. Prostrate to Allah Who created them, if you worship Him. (41:37)

The Hour has drawn near and the moon has split. (54:1)

The sun and the moon both run with precision. (55:5)

Do you not see how He created seven heavens in layers, and placed the moon as a light in them and made the sun a blazing lamp? (71:15-16)

No indeed! (I swear) by the moon. (74:32)

But when the eyesight is dazzled, and the moon is eclipsed, and the sun and moon are fused together, on that Day man will say, 'Where can I

run?' (75:7-10)

And (I swear by) the moon when it is full. (84:18)  
(I swear) by the sun and its morning brightness,  
and the moon when it follows it. (91:1-2)

## MORNING

Do not chase away those who call on their Lord morning and evening, seeking His Face. Their reckoning is in no way your responsibility and your reckoning is in no way their responsibility. Indeed if you did chase them away, you would be among the wrongdoers. (6:52)

So the earthquake seized them and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (7:91)  
Remember your Lord in yourself humbly and fearfully, without loudness of voice, morning and evening. Do not be one of the unaware. (7:205)  
The Great Blast seized hold of those who did wrong and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (11:67)

They said, 'Lut, we are messengers from your Lord. They will not be able to get at you. Set out with your family—except for your wife—in the middle of the night and none of you should look back. What strikes them will strike her as well. Their promised appointment is the morning. Is the morning not close at hand?' (11:81)

When Our command came, We rescued Shu'ayb and those who believed along with him by a mercy from Us. The Great Blast seized hold of those who did wrong and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (11:94)

Everyone in heaven and earth prostrates to Allah willingly or unwillingly, as do their shadows in the morning and the evening. (13:15)

We revealed to him the command We had decreed: that on the following morning the last remnant of those people would be cut off. (15:66)

But the Great Blast seized hold of them in the morning. (15:83)

And there is beauty in them (livestock) for you in the evening when you bring them home and in the morning when you drive them out to graze. (16:6)

Restrain yourself patiently with those who call on their Lord morning and evening, desiring His

face. Do not turn your eyes from them, desiring the attractions of this world. And do not obey someone whose heart We have made neglectful of Our remembrance and who follows his own whims and desires and whose life has transgressed all bounds. (18:28)

He (Zakariyya) came out to his people from the Upper Room and gestured to them to glorify Allah in the morning and the evening. (19:11)

They will not hear any prattling there—nothing but 'Peace'. They will receive their provision there morning and night. (19:62)

He (Musa) said, 'Your time is the day of the Festival. The people should gather in the morning.' (20:59)

In houses which Allah has permitted to be built and in which His name is remembered, there are men who proclaim His glory morning and evening. (24:36)

They say, 'It is myths of previous peoples which he has had transcribed and which are read out to him in the morning and the evening.' (25:5)

Morning found him in the city, fearful and on his guard. Then suddenly the man who had sought his help the day before, shouted for help from him again. Musa said to him, 'You are clearly a misguided man.' (28:18)

But they denied him so the earthquake seized them and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (29:37)

So glory be to Allah when you start the night and when you greet the day. (30:17)

And glorify Him in the morning and the evening. (33:42)

And We gave Sulayman power over the wind—a month's journey in the morning and a month in the afternoon. And We made a fount of molten brass flow out for him. And some of the jinn worked in front of him by his Lord's permission. And if a single one of them deviates at all from Our command, We let him taste the punishment of the Searing Blaze. (34:12)

When it descends in their courtyard—how evil will be the morning of those who were warned! (37:177)

We subjected the mountains to glorify with him in the evening and at sunrise. (38:18)

The Fire, morning and night, to which they are exposed; and on the Day the Hour takes place: 'Admit Pharaoh's people to the harshest punishment!' (40:46)

So remain steadfast. Allah's promise is true. Ask forgiveness for your wrong action and glorify your Lord with praise in the evening and the early morning. (40:55)

(It is) so that you might all believe in Allah and His Messenger and honour Him and respect Him and glorify Him in the morning and the evening. (48:9)

Early morning brought them enduring punishment: (54:38)

We have tried them as We tried the owners of the garden when they swore that they would harvest in the morning. (68:17)

In the morning they called out to one another, 'Leave early for your land if you want to pick the fruit.' (68:21-22)

Remember the Name of your Lord in the morning and the evening. (76:25)

On the Day they see it, it will be as if they had only lingered for the evening or the morning of a single day. (79:46)

(I swear) by the morning brightness... (93:1)

Say: 'I seek refuge with the Lord of Daybreak, from the evil of what He has created and from the evil of the darkness when it gathers and from the evil of women who blow on knots and from the evil of an envier when he envies.' (113:1-5)

## **MOSES (SEE MUSA (AS))**

### **MOSQUE (MASJID)**

On the night of the fast it is lawful for you to have sexual relations with your wives. They are clothing for you and you for them. Allah knows that you have been betraying yourselves and He has turned towards you and excused you. Now you may have sexual intercourse with them and seek what Allah has written for you. Eat and drink until you can clearly discern the white thread from the black thread of the dawn, then fulfil the fast until the night appears. But do not have sexual intercourse with them while you are in retreat in the mosques. These are Allah's limits, so do

not go near them. In this way does Allah make His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (2:187)

Say: 'My Lord has commanded justice. Stand and face Him in every mosque and call on Him, making your religion sincerely His. As He originated you, so you will return.' (7:29)

Children of Adam! Wear fine clothing in every mosque and eat and drink but do not be profigate. He does not love the profligate. (7:31)

It is not for the idolaters to maintain the mosques of Allah, bearing witness against themselves of their disbelief. They are the ones whose actions will come to nothing. They will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever. (9:17)

The mosques of Allah should only be maintained by those who believe in Allah and the Last Day and perform prayer and give the alms, and fear no one but Allah. They are the ones most likely to be guided. (9:18)

As for those who have set up a mosque, causing harm and out of disbelief, to create division between the believers, and in readiness for those who previously made war on Allah and His Messenger, they will swear, 'We only desired the best.' But Allah bears witness that they are truly liars. (9:107)

Do not ever stand in it. A mosque founded on performing one's duty from the first day has a greater right for you to stand in it. In it there are men who love to purify themselves. Allah loves those who purify themselves. (9:108)

Glory be to Him Who took His servant on a journey by night from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) to the Further Mosque (Masjid al-Aqsa), whose surroundings We have blessed, in order to show him some of Our Signs. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Seeing. (17:1)

If you do good, you do it to yourselves. If you do evil, you do it to your detriment. When the next promised time arrived, it was so that they could injure you and enter the Temple as they had entered it the first time, and in order to completely destroy what they had conquered. (17:7)

Accordingly We made them chance upon them unexpectedly so they might know that Allah's promise is true and that there is no doubt about

the Hour. When they were arguing among themselves about the matter, they said, 'Wall up their cave, their Lord knows best about them.' But those who got the better of the argument concerning them said, 'We will build a place of worship over them.' (18:21)

... if Allah had not driven some people back by means of others, monasteries, churches, synagogues and mosques, where Allah's name is mentioned much, would have been pulled down and destroyed. Allah will certainly help those who help Him—Allah is All-Strong, Almighty. (22:40)  
All mosques belong to Allah so do not call on anyone else besides Allah. (72:18)

### **MOSQUITO**

Allah is not ashamed to make an example of a mosquito or of an even smaller thing. As for those who believe, they know it is the truth from their Lord. But as for those who disbelieve, they say, 'What does Allah mean by this example?' He misguides many by it and guides many by it. But He only misguides the deviators. (2:26)

### **MOTHER OF THE BOOK, THE (SEE LAWH MAHFUZ)**

### **MOUNT AL-JUDI**

It was said, 'Earth, swallow up your water!' and, 'Heaven, hold back your rain!' And the water subsided and the affair was concluded and the Ark came to land on al-Judi. And it was said, 'Away with the people of the wrongdoers!' (11:44)

### **MOUNT, THE**

Remember when We made the covenant with you and lifted up the Mount above your heads: 'Take hold vigorously of what We have given you and pay heed to what is in it, so that hopefully you will guard against evil.' (2:63)

Remember when We made a covenant with you and lifted up the Mount above your heads: 'Take hold vigorously of what We have given you and listen.' They said, 'We hear and disobey.' They were made to drink the Calf into their hearts because of their disbelief. Say, 'If you are believers,

what an evil thing your faith has made you do.' (2:93)

We lifted up the Mount above their heads in accordance with the covenant they had made, and We said to them, 'Enter the gate prostrating,' and We said to them, 'Do not break the Sabbath,' and We made a binding covenant with them. (4:154)

We called out to him from the right hand side of the Mount and We brought him near in close communication. (19:52)

Tribe of Israel! We rescued you from your enemy and made an appointment with you on the right hand side of the Mount and sent down manna and quails for you. (20:80)

By means of it (water) We produce gardens of dates and grapes for you, in which there are many fruits for you and from which you eat, and a tree springing forth from Mount Sinai yielding oil and a seasoning to those who eat. (23:19-20)

When Musa had fulfilled the appointed term and had set off with his family, he noticed a fire from one side of the Mount. He said to his family, 'Stay here, I can see a fire. Hopefully I will bring you back some news from it or a burning branch from the fire so that you will be able to warm yourselves.' (28:29)

You were not on the western side (of the Mount) when We gave Musa the command. You were not a witness. (28:44)

Nor were you on the side of the Mount when We called, yet it is a mercy from your Lord so that you can warn a people to whom no warner came before, so that hopefully they will pay heed. (28:46)

By the Mount (52:1)

### **MOUNT SINAI**

By the fig and the olive and Mount Sinai and this safe land, We created man in the finest mould. (95:1-4)

### **MOUNTAIN**

When Ibrahim said, 'My Lord, show me how You bring the dead to life.' He asked, 'Do you not then believe?' He replied, 'Indeed I do! But so that my heart may be at peace.' He said, 'Take four birds and train them to yourself. Then put a part of them on each mountain and call to them;

they will come rushing to you. Know that Allah is Almighty, All-Wise.' (2:260)

(Salih said to his people,) 'Remember when He appointed you successors to 'Ad and settled you in the land. You built palaces on its plains and carved out houses from the mountains. Remember Allah's blessings and do not go about the earth, corrupting it.' (7:74)

When Musa came to Our appointed time and his Lord spoke to him, he said, 'My Lord, show me Yourself so that I may look at You!' He said, 'You will not see Me, but look at the mountain. If it remains firm in its place, then you will see Me.' But when His Lord manifested Himself to the mountain, He crushed it flat and Musa fell unconscious to the ground. When he regained consciousness he said, 'Glory be to You! I repent to You and I am the first of the believers!' (7:143) When We uprooted the mountain, lifting it above them like a canopy, and they thought it was about to fall on them: 'Seize hold vigorously of what We have given you and remember what is in it, so that hopefully you will guard against evil.' (7:171)

It sailed with them through mountainous waves, and Nuh called out to his son, who had kept himself apart, 'My son! Come on board with us. Do not stay with the disbelievers!' He said, 'I will take refuge on a mountain; it will protect me from the flood.' He said, 'There is no protection from Allah's command today except for those He has mercy on.' The waves surged in between them and he was among the drowned. (11:42-43)

It is He Who stretched out the earth and placed firmly embedded mountains and rivers in it and made two types of every kind of fruit. He covers over day with night. There are Signs in that for people who reflect. (13:3)

Even if there was a Qur'an which moved mountains, or split the earth open or spoke to the dead...! On the contrary! The affair is Allah's altogether. Do those who believe not know that if Allah had wanted to He could have guided all mankind? Those who disbelieve will not cease to be struck by disaster for what they have done—or a disaster will happen close to their homes—until

Allah's promise is fulfilled. Allah will not fail to keep His promise. (13:31)

They concocted their plots, but their plots were with Allah, even if they were such as to make the mountains vanish. (14:46)

As for the earth, We stretched it out and cast firmly embedded mountains in it and made everything grow in due proportion on it. (15:19)

They carved out houses from the mountains, feeling safe. (15:82)

He cast firmly embedded mountains on the earth so it would not move under you, and rivers and pathways so that hopefully you would be guided. (16:15)

Your Lord revealed to the bees: 'Build dwellings in the mountains and the trees, and also in the structures which men erect.' (16:68)

Allah has made shaded places for you in what He has created and He has made shelters for you in the mountains and He has made shirts for you to protect you from the heat and shirts to protect you from each other's violence. In that way He perfects His blessing on you so that hopefully you will become Muslims. (16:81)

Do not strut arrogantly about the earth. You will certainly never split the earth apart nor will you ever rival the mountains in height. (17:37)

On the Day We make the mountains move and you see the earth laid bare and We gather them together, not leaving out a single one of them. (18:47)

Then he (Dhu'l-Qarnayn) followed a path until he arrived between the two mountains where he found a people scarcely able to understand speech. (18:92-93)

(Dhu'l-Qarnayn said,) 'Bring me ingots of iron!' Then, when he had made it level between the two high mountain-sides, he said, 'Blow!' and when he had made it a red hot fire, he said, 'Bring me molten brass to pour over it.' (18:96)

The heavens are all but rent apart and the earth split open and the mountains brought crashing down. (19:90)

They will ask you about the mountains. Say: 'My Lord will scatter them as dust.' (20:105)

We placed firmly embedded mountains on the earth, so it would not move under them, and We

put broad valleys as roadways in it, so that perhaps they might be guided. (21:31)

We gave Sulayman understanding of it. We gave each of them judgement and knowledge. We subjected the mountains to Dawud, glorifying, and the birds as well. This is something We are well able to do. (21:79)

Do you not see that everyone in the heavens and everyone on the earth prostrates to Allah, and the sun and moon and stars and the mountains, trees and beasts and many of mankind? But many of them inevitably merit punishment. Those Allah humiliates will have no one to honour them. Allah does whatever He wills. (22:18)

And We made the son of Maryam and his mother a Sign and gave them shelter on a mountainside where there was a meadow and a flowing spring. (23:50)

Do you not see that Allah propels the clouds then makes them coalesce then heaps them up, and then you see the rain come pouring out of the middle of them? And He sends down mountains from the sky with hail inside them, striking with it anyone He wills and averting it from anyone He wills. The brightness of His lightning almost blinds the sight. (24:43)

Will you continue hewing houses from the mountains with exultant skill? (26:149)

He Who made the earth a stable dwelling place and appointed rivers flowing through its midst and placed firmly embedded mountains on it and set a barrier between the two seas. Is there another god besides Allah? No indeed, but most of them do not know it! (27:61)

You will see the mountains you reckoned to be solid going past like clouds—the handiwork of Allah Who gives to everything its solidity. He is aware of what you do. (27:88)

It is Allah Who created the heavens with no support—you can see them—and cast firmly embedded mountains on the earth so that it would not move under you, and scattered about in it creatures of every kind. And We send down water from the sky and make every generous species grow in it. (31:10)

We offered the Trust to the heavens, the earth and the mountains but they refused to take it on and

shrank from it. But man took it on. He is indeed wrongdoing and ignorant. (33:72)

We gave Dawud great favour from Us: ‘O mountains and birds! Echo with him in his praise!’ And We made iron malleable for him. (34:10)

Do you not see that Allah sends down water from the sky and by it We bring forth fruits of varying colours? And in the mountains there are streaks of white and red, of varying shades, and rocks of deep jet black. (35:27)

We subjected the mountains to glorify with him in the evening and at sunrise. (38:18)

He placed firmly embedded mountains on it, towering over it, and blessed it and measured out its nourishment in it, laid out for those who seek it—all in four days. (41:10)

Among His Signs are the tall ships sailing like mountains through the sea. (42:32)

And the earth: how We stretched it out and cast firmly embedded mountains onto it and caused luxuriant plants of every kind to grow in it. (50:7)

On the Day when heaven sways to and fro and the mountains shift about. (52:9-10)

His, too, are the ships sailing like mountain peaks on the sea. (55:24)

When the earth is convulsed and the mountains are crushed. (56:4-5)

If We Had sent down this Qur'an onto a mountain, you would have seen it humbled, crushed to pieces out of fear of Allah. We make such examples for people so that hopefully they will reflect. (59:21)

So when the Trumpet is blown with a single blast, and the earth and the mountains are lifted and crushed with a single blow. (69:13-14)

On the Day the sky is like molten brass and the mountains like tufts of coloured wool. (70:8-9)

On the Day the earth and mountains shake and the mountains become like shifting dunes. (73:14)

When the mountains are pulverised. (77:10)

Did We not place firmly embedded mountains in it, soaring high into the air, and give you sweet fresh water to drink? (77:27)

Have We not made the earth a flat carpet and the mountains its pegs? (78:6-7)

The Day the Trumpet is blown and you come in

droves, and heaven is opened and becomes doorways, and the mountains are shifted and become a mirage. (78:18-20)

And (He) made the mountains firm. (79:32)

When the mountains are set in motion. (81:3)

And (have they not looked) at the mountains--how they were embedded? (88:19)

It is the Day when mankind will be like scattered moths and the mountains like tufts of coloured wool. (101:4-5)

### **MUHAJIRUN (SEE MIGRANTS)**

#### **MUHAMMAD (SAAS) (PROPHETHOOD OF)**

We have sent you with the Truth (the Qur'an), bringing good news and giving warning. Do not ask about the inhabitants of the Blazing Fire. (2:119)

Those are Allah's Signs which We recite to you with truth. You are indeed one of the Messengers. (2:252)

We have sent down the Book to you with the truth so that you can judge between people according to what Allah has shown to you. But do not be an advocate for the treacherous. (4:105) O Messenger! Transmit what has been sent down to you from your Lord. If you do not do it you will not have transmitted His Message. Allah will protect you from people. Allah does not guide the people of the disbelievers. (5:67)

Say: 'Mankind! I am the Messenger of Allah to you all, of Him to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs. There is no god but Him. He gives life and causes to die.' So believe in Allah and His Messenger, the Ummi, who believes in Allah and His words, and follow him so that hopefully you will be guided. (7:158)

We do not send the Messengers except to bring good news and to give warning. As for those who believe and put things right, they will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (6:48)

Say: 'Am I to take anyone other than Allah as my protector, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and the earth, He Who feeds and is not fed?' Say: 'I am commanded to be the first of the Muslims,' and, 'Do not be among the idolaters.' (6:14) 'Do not worship anyone but Allah! I am a warner

and bringer of good news to you from Him.' (11:2)

Those who disbelieve say, 'If only a Sign could be sent down to him from his Lord!' You are only a warner and to every people a guide. (13:7)

On that Day We will raise up among every community a witness against them from amongst themselves, and bring you as a witness against them. We have sent down the Book to you making all things clear and as guidance and mercy and good news for the Muslims. (16:89)

Your Lord knows you best. If He wills, He will have mercy on you, and, if He wills, He will punish you. We did not send you to be their guardian. (17:54)

Say: 'I am only a human being like yourselves. It is revealed to me that your god is One God. So let him who hopes to meet his Lord act rightly and not associate anyone in the worship of his Lord.' (18:110)

We have only sent you as a mercy to all the worlds. (21:107)

Say: 'Mankind, I am only a clear warner to you.' (22:49)

We sent you only to bring good news and to give warning. (25:56)

(Say:) 'I have simply been ordered to worship the Lord of this land which He has declared sacred--everything belongs to Him--and I have been ordered to be one of the Muslims and to recite the Qur'an.' Whoever is guided is only guided to his own good; if someone is misguided just say, 'I am only a warner.' (27:91-92)

Muhammad is not the father of any of your men, but the Messenger of Allah and the Final Seal of the Prophets. Allah has knowledge of all things. (33:40)

O Prophet! We have sent you as a witness, and a bringer of good news and a warner, and a caller to Allah by His permission and a light-giving lamp. Give good news to the believers that they will receive immense favour from Allah. (33:45-47)

We only sent you for the whole of mankind, bringing good news and giving warning. But most of mankind do not know it. (34:28)

We have sent you with the truth bringing good news and giving warning. There is no commu-

nity to which a warner has not come. (35:24) (I swear) by the Wise Qur'an. Truly you are one of the Messengers on a Straight Path. The revelation of the Almighty, the Most Merciful so that you may warn a people whose fathers were not warned and who are therefore unaware. (36:2-6) We did not teach him poetry nor would it be right for him. It is simply a reminder and a clear Qur'an. (36:69)

Say: 'I am only a warner. There is no god except Allah, the One, the All-Conquering, Lord of the heavens and the earth and everything between them, the Almighty, the Endlessly Forgiving.' Say: 'This is momentous news yet you ignore it! I knew nothing of the Highest Assembly when they debated. It is only revealed to me that I am a clear warner.' (38:65-70)

As for those who take others besides Him as protectors, Allah takes care of them. You are not set over them as a guardian. (42:6)

Say: 'I am nothing new among the Messengers. I have no idea what will be done with me or you. I only follow what has been revealed to me. I am only a clear warner.' (46:9)

We have sent you bearing witness, bringing good news and giving warning so that you might all believe in Allah and His Messenger and honour Him and respect Him and glorify Him in the morning and the evening. (48:8-9)

## **MUHKAM VERSES (SEE VERSES THAT ARE THE CORE OF THE BOOK)**

### **MULE**

And horses, mules and donkeys both to ride and for adornment. And He creates other things you do not know. (16:8)

### **MU'MINUN (SEE BELIEVERS)**

### **MUNAFIQUN (SEE HYPOCRITES)**

### **MUSA (AS) (MOSES)**

And when We allotted to Musa forty nights. Then you adopted the Calf when he had gone and you were wrongdoers. (2:51)

Then We pardoned you after that so that perhaps

you would show thanks. (2:52)

Remember when We gave Musa the Book and discrimination so that perhaps you would be guided. (2:53)

And when Musa said to his people, 'My people, You wronged yourselves by adopting the Calf so turn towards your Maker and kill yourselves. That is the best thing for you in your Maker's sight.' And He turned towards you. He is the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful. (2:54)

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not believe in you until we see Allah with our own eyes.' So the thunder-bolt struck you dead while you were looking. (2:55)

Then We brought you back to life after your death, so that perhaps you would show thanks. (2:56)

And We shaded you with clouds and sent down manna and quails to you: 'Eat of the good things We have provided for you.' They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they were wronging. (2:57)

Remember when We said, 'Go into this town and eat from it wherever you like, freely. Enter the gate prostrating and say, "Relieve us of our burdens!" Your mistakes will be forgiven. We will grant increase to all good-doers.' (2:58)

But those who did wrong substituted words other than those they had been given. So We sent down a plague from heaven on those who did wrong because they were deviators. (2:59)

And when Musa was looking for water for his people, We said, 'Strike the rock with your staff.' Then twelve fountains gushed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. 'Eat and drink of Allah's provision and do not go about the earth corrupting it.' (2:60)

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces—its green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,' he said, 'Do you want to replace what is better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.' Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon themselves. That was because they rejected

Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

Remember when We made the covenant with you and lifted up the Mount above your heads: 'Take hold vigorously of what We have given you and pay heed to what is in it, so that hopefully you will guard against evil.' (2:63)

Then after that you turned away, and were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, you would have been among the lost. (2:64)

And when Musa said to his people, 'Allah commands you to sacrifice a cow,' they said, 'What! Are you making a mockery of us?' He said, 'I seek refuge with Allah from being one of the ignorant!' (2:67)

They said, 'Ask your Lord to make it clear to us what it should be like.' He said, 'He says it should be a cow, not old or virgin, but somewhere between the two. So do as you have been told.' (2:68)

They said, 'Ask your Lord to make it clear to us what colour it should be.' He said, 'He says it should be a yellow cow, a pleasure to all who look.' (2:69)

They said, 'Ask your Lord to make it clear to us what it should be like. Cows are all much the same to us. Then, if Allah wills, we will be guided.' (2:70)

He said, 'He says it should be a cow not trained to plough or irrigate the fields—completely sound, without a blemish on it.' They said, 'Now you have brought the truth.' So they sacrificed it—but they almost did not do it. (2:71)

We gave Musa the Book and sent a succession of Messengers after him. We gave 'Isa, son of Maryam, the Clear Signs and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. Why then, whenever a Messenger came to you with something your lower selves did not desire, did you grow arrogant, and deny some of them and murder others? (2:87) They say, 'Our hearts are uncircumcised.' Rather, Allah has cursed them for their disbelief. Very few of them believe! (2:88)

Musa brought you the Clear Signs; then, after he left, you adopted the Calf and were wrongdoers. (2:92)

Remember when We made a covenant with you and lifted up the Mount above your heads: 'Take hold vigorously of what We have given you and listen.' They said, 'We hear and disobey.' They were made to drink the Calf into their hearts because of their disbelief. Say, 'If you are believers, what an evil thing your faith has made you do.' (2:93)

Or do you want to question your Messenger as Musa was questioned before? Anyone who exchanges faith for disbelief has definitely gone astray from the level way. (2:108)

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and 'Isa were given, and what all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:136)

What do you think about the council of the tribe of Israel after Musa's time when they said to one of their Prophets, 'Give us a king and we will fight in the Way of Allah!?' He said, 'Is it not possible that if fighting were prescribed for you, you would not fight?' They said, 'How could we not fight in the way of Allah when we have been driven from our homes and children?' But then when fighting was prescribed for them, they turned their backs—except for a few of them. Allah knows the wrongdoers. (2:246)

The People of the Book will ask you to bring down a Book from heaven to them. They asked Musa for even more than that. They said, 'Let us see Allah with our own eyes.' So the lightning-bolt struck them down for their wrongdoing. Then they adopted the Calf after the Clear Signs had come to them, but We pardoned them for that and gave Musa clear authority. (4:153)

There are Messengers We have already told you about and Messengers We have not told you about; and Allah spoke directly to Musa. (4:164)

Remember when Musa said to his people, 'My people! Remember Allah's blessing to you when He appointed Prophets among you and appointed kings for you, and gave you what He had not given to anyone else in all the worlds! My people! Enter the Holy Land which Allah has ordained for

you. Do not turn back in your tracks and so become transformed into losers.' (5:20-21)

They said, 'There are tyrants in it, Musa. We will not enter it until they leave. If they leave it, then we will go in.' (5:22)

Two men among those who were afraid, but whom Allah had blessed, said, 'Enter the gate against them! Once you have entered it, you will be victorious. Put your trust in Allah if you are believers.' (5:23)

They said, 'We will never enter it, Musa, as long as they are there. So you and your Lord go and fight. We will stay sitting here.' (5:24)

He (Musa) said, 'My Lord, I have no control over anyone but myself and my brother, so make a clear distinction between us and this deviant people.' (5:25)

He said, 'The land will be forbidden to them for forty years during which they will wander aimlessly about the earth. Do not waste grief on this deviant people.' (5:26)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, each of whom We guided. And before him We had guided Nuh. And among his descendants were Dawud and Sulayman, and Ayyub, Yusuf, Musa and Harun. That is how We recompense the good-doers. (6:84)

They do not measure Allah with His true measure when they say, 'Allah would not send down anything to a mere human being.' Say: 'Who, then, sent down the Book which Musa brought as a Light and Guidance for the people? You put it down on sheets of paper to display it while concealing much. You were taught things you did not know, neither you nor your forefathers. Say: 'Allah!' Then leave them engrossed in playing their games. (6:91)

Then We gave Musa the Book, complete and perfect for him who does good, elucidating everything, and a guidance and a mercy, so that hopefully they will believe in their encounter with their Lord. (6:154)

And then, after them, We sent Musa with Our Signs to Pharaoh and his ruling circle but they wrongfully rejected them. See the final fate of the corrupters! (7:103)

Musa said, 'Pharaoh! I am truly a Messenger

from the Lord of all the worlds, duty bound to say nothing about Allah except the truth. I have come to you with a Clear Sign from your Lord. So send the tribe of Israel away with me.' (7:104-105)

He (Pharaoh) said, 'If you have come with a Clear Sign produce it if you are telling the truth.' (7:106)

So He threw down his staff and there it was, unmistakably a snake. (7:107)

The ruling circle of Pharaoh's people said, 'This is certainly a skilled magician who desires to expel you from your land, so what do you recommend?' (7:109-110)

They said, 'Detain him and his brother and send out marshals to the cities, to bring you all the skilled magicians.' (7:111-112)

The magicians came to Pharaoh and they asked, 'Will we receive a reward if we are the winners?' (7:113)

He said, 'Yes, and you will be among those brought near.' (7:114)

They said, 'Musa, will you throw first or shall we be the ones to throw?' (7:115)

He (Musa) said, 'You throw.' And when they threw, they cast a spell on the people's eyes and caused them to feel great fear of them. They produced an extremely powerful magic. (7:116)

We revealed to Musa, 'Throw down your staff.' And it immediately swallowed up what they had forged. (7:117)

So the Truth took place and what they did was shown to be false. (7:118)

They were defeated then and there, transformed into humbled men. (7:119)

The magicians threw themselves down in prostration. (7:120)

They said, 'We believe in the Lord of all the worlds, the Lord of Musa and Harun.' (7:121-122)

Pharaoh said, 'Have you believed in him before I authorised you to do so? This is just some plot you have concocted in the city to drive its people from it. I will cut off your alternate hands and feet and then I will crucify every one of you.' (7:123-124)

They said, 'We are returning to our Lord. You are only avenging yourself on us because we be-

lieved in our Lord's Signs when they came to us. Our Lord, pour down steadfastness upon us and take us back to You as Muslims.' (7:125-126)

The ruling circle of Pharaoh's people said, 'Are you going to leave Musa and his people to cause corruption in the earth and abandon you and your gods?' He said, 'We will kill their sons and let their women live. We have absolute power over them!' (7:127)

Musa said to his people, 'Seek help in Allah and be steadfast. The earth belongs to Allah. He bequeathes it to any of His servants He wills. The successful outcome is for those who guard against evil.' (7:128)

They said, 'We suffered harm before you came to us and after you came to us.' He said, 'It may well be that your Lord is going to destroy your enemy and make you the successors in the land so that He can see how you behave.' (7:129)

We seized Pharaoh's people with years of drought and scarcity of fruits so that hopefully they would pay heed. (7:130)

Whenever a good thing came to them, they said, 'This is our due.' But if anything bad happened to them, they would blame their ill fortune on Musa and those with him. No indeed! The ill fortune is theirs in Allah's sight. But most of them did not know. (7:131)

They said, 'No matter what kind of Sign you bring us to bewitch us, we will not believe in you.' (7:132)

So We sent down on them floods, locusts, lice, frogs and blood, Signs, clear and distinct, but they proved arrogant and were an evildoing people. (7:133)

Whenever the plague came down on them they said, 'Musa, pray to your Lord for us by the contract He has with you. If you remove the plague from us, we will definitely believe in you and send the tribe of Israel away with you.' (7:134)

But when We removed the plague from them—for a fixed term which they fulfilled—they broke their word. (7:135)

Then We took revenge on them and drowned them in the sea because they denied Our Signs and paid no attention to them. (7:136)

And We bequeathed to the people who had been

oppressed the easternmost part of the land We had blessed, and its westernmost part as well. The most excellent Word of your Lord was fulfilled for the tribe of Israel on account of their steadfastness. And We utterly destroyed what Pharaoh and his people made and the buildings they constructed. (7:137)

We conveyed the tribe of Israel across the sea and they came upon some people who were devoting themselves to some idols which they had. They said, 'Musa, give us a god just as these people have gods.' He said, 'You are indeed an ignorant people. What these people are doing is destined for destruction. What they are doing is purposeless.' (7:138-139)

He said, 'Should I seek something other than Allah as a god for you when He has favoured you over all other beings?' (7:140)

Remember when We rescued you from Pharaoh's people who were inflicting an evil punishment on you, killing your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord. (7:141)

We set aside thirty nights for Musa and then completed them with ten, so the appointed time of his Lord was forty nights in all. Musa said to his brother Harun, 'Take my place among my people. Keep order and do not follow the way of the corrupters.' (7:142)

When Musa came to Our appointed time and his Lord spoke to him, he said, 'My Lord, show me Yourself so that I may look at You!' He said, 'You will not see Me, but look at the mountain. If it remains firm in its place, then you will see Me.' But when His Lord manifested Himself to the mountain, He crushed it flat and Musa fell unconscious to the ground. When he regained consciousness he said, 'Glory be to You! I repent to You and I am the first of the believers!' (7:143) He said, 'Musa, I have chosen you over all mankind for My Message and My Word. Take what I have given you and be among the thankful.' (7:144)

We wrote about everything for him on the Tablets as an admonition and making all things clear. 'Seize hold of it vigorously and command your people to adopt the best in it. I will show

you the home of the deviators!' (7:145)

After he left, Musa's people adopted a calf made from their ornaments, a form which made a lowing sound. Did they not see that it could not speak to them or guide them to any way? They adopted it and so they were wrongdoers. (7:148)

When they took full stock of what they had done and saw they had been misled, they said, 'If our Lord does not have mercy on us and forgive us, we will certainly be among the lost.' (7:149)

When Musa returned to his people in anger and great sorrow, he said, 'What an evil thing you did in my absence after I left! Did you want to hasten your Lord's command?' He threw down the Tablets and seized hold of his brother's head, dragging him towards him. Harun said, 'Son of my mother, The people oppressed me and almost killed me. Do not give my enemies cause to gloat over me. Do not include me with the wrongdoing people.' (7:150)

He (Musa) said, 'My Lord, forgive me and my brother and admit us into Your mercy. You are the Most Merciful of the merciful.' (7:151)

As for those who adopted the Calf, anger from their Lord will overtake them together with abasement in the life of this world. That is how We repay the purveyors of falsehood. (7:152)

But as for those who do evil actions and then subsequently repent and believe, in that case your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (7:153)

When Musa's anger abated he picked up the Tablets and in their inscription was guidance and mercy for all of them who feared their Lord. (7:154)

Musa chose seventy men from his people for Our appointed time and when the earthquake seized them he said, 'My Lord, if You had willed, You could have destroyed them previously and me as well. Would you destroy us for what the fools among us did? It was only a trial from You by which You misguided those You willed and guided those You willed. You are our Protector so forgive us and have mercy on us. You are the Best of Forgivers. Prescribe good for us in this world and the hereafter. We have truly turned to You.'

He said, 'As for My punishment, I strike with it

anyone I will. My mercy extends to all things but I will prescribe it for those who guard against evil and give the alms, and those who believe in Our Signs: those who follow the Messenger, the Ummi, whom they find written down with them in the Torah and the Gospel, commanding them to do right and forbidding them to do wrong, making good things lawful for them and bad things forbidden for them, relieving them of their heavy loads and the chains which were around them. Those who believe in him and honour him and help him, and follow the Light that has been sent down with him, they are the ones who are successful.' (7:155-157)

Say: 'Mankind! I am the Messenger of Allah to you all, of Him to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs. There is no god but Him. He gives life and causes to die.' So believe in Allah and His Messenger, the Ummi, who believes in Allah and His words, and follow him so that hopefully you will be guided. (7:158)

Among the people of Musa there is a group who guide by the truth and act justly in accordance with it. (7:159)

We divided them up into twelve tribes-communities. We revealed to Musa, when his people asked him for water: 'Strike the rock with your staff.' Twelve fountains flowed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. And We shaded them with clouds and sent down manna and quails to them: 'Eat of the good things We have provided you with.' They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they wronged. (7:160)

When they were told: 'Live in this town and eat of it wherever you like and say, "Relieve us of our burdens!" and enter the gate prostrating. Your mistakes will be forgiven you. We will grant increase to good-doers.' (7:161)

But those of them who did wrong substituted words other than those they had been given. So We sent a plague on them from heaven for their wrongdoing. (7:162)

Then after them We sent Musa and Harun with Our Signs to Pharaoh and his ruling circle, but they were arrogant and were a people of evildoers. (10:75)

When the truth came to them from Us, they said,

'This is downright magic!' (10:76)

Musa said, 'Do you say to the truth when it comes to you, "This is magic"? Magicians are not successful.' (10:77)

They said, 'Have you come to us to turn us from what we found our fathers doing, and to gain greatness in the land? We do not believe you.' (10:78)

Pharaoh said, 'Bring me every knowledgeable magician.' (10:79)

When the magicians came, Musa said to them, 'Throw whatever you have to throw!' (10:80)

When they had thrown, Musa said, 'What you have brought is magic. Allah will certainly prove it false. Allah does not uphold the actions of corrupters.' (10:81)

Allah confirms the Truth by His words, even though the evildoers hate it. (10:82)

No one believed in Musa except for a few of his people out of fear that Pharaoh, and the elders, would persecute them. Pharaoh was high and mighty in the land. He was one of the profligate. (10:83)

Musa said, 'My people! If you believe in Allah, then put your trust in Him, if you are Muslims.' (10:84)

They said, 'We have put our trust in Allah. Our Lord, Do not make us a target for this wrongdoing people, and rescue us, by Your mercy, from this disbelieving people!' (10:85-86)

We revealed to Musa and his brother: 'Settle your people in houses in Egypt and make your houses places of worship and perform prayer and give good news to the believers.' (10:87)

Musa said, 'Our Lord, You have given Pharaoh and his ruling circle finery and wealth in the life of this world, Our Lord, so that they may be misguided from Your Way. Our Lord, obliterate their wealth and harden their hearts so that they do not believe until they see the painful punishment.' (10:88)

He said, 'Your request is answered, so go straight and do not follow the way of those who have no knowledge.' (10:89)

We brought the tribe of Israel across the sea and Pharaoh and his troops pursued them out of tyranny and enmity. Then, when he was on the

point of drowning, he said, 'I believe that there is no god but Him in Whom the tribe of Israel believe. I am one of the Muslims.' (10:90)

'What, now! When previously you rebelled and were one of the corrupters? Today We will preserve your body so you can be a Sign for people who come after you. Surely many people are heedless of Our Signs.' (10:91-92)

We settled the tribe of Israel in a noble place and gave them good things as provision. They did not differ until knowledge came to them. Your Lord will decide between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things about which they differed. (10:93)

We sent Musa with Our Signs and clear authority. (11:96)

We gave Musa the Book and people differed concerning it and had it not been for a prior Word from your Lord, it would already have been decided between them. They are indeed in grave doubt about it. (11:110)

We sent Musa with Our Signs: 'Bring your people from the darkness to the light and remind them of the Days of Allah.' There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast, thankful. (14:5)

Remember when Musa said to his people, 'Remember Allah's blessing to you when He rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you, slaughtering your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord. And when your Lord announced: "If you are grateful, I will certainly give you increase, but if you are ungrateful, My punishment is severe." (14:6-7)

Musa said, 'If you were to be ungrateful, you and everyone on the earth, Allah is Rich Beyond Need, Praiseworthy.' (14:8)

We gave Musa the Book and made it guidance for the tribe of Israel: 'Do not take anyone besides Me as a guardian.' (17:2)

We gave Musa nine Clear Signs. Ask the tribe of Israel about when he came to them and Pharaoh said to him, 'Musa, I think you are bewitched.' (17:101)

He said, 'You know that no one sent these down but the Lord of the heavens and earth to be clear

proofs. Pharaoh, I think you are destroyed.' (17:102)

He wanted to scare them from the land but We drowned him and every one of those with him. (17:103)

We said to the tribe of Israel after that, 'Inhabit the land and, when the promise of the hereafter comes, We will produce you as a motley crowd.' (17:104)

Remember when Musa said to his servant, 'I will not give up until I reach the meeting-place of the two seas, even if I must press on for many years.' (18:60)

But when they reached their meeting-place, they forgot their fish which quickly burrowed its way into the sea. (18:61)

When they had gone a distance further on, he said to his servant, 'Bring us our morning meal. Truly this journey of ours has made us tired.' (18:62)

He said, 'Do you see what has happened? When we went to find shelter at the rock, I forgot the fish. No one made me forget to remember it except Satan. It found its way into the sea in an amazing way.' (18:63)

He said, 'That is the very thing that we were looking for!' So, following their footsteps, they retraced their route. (18:64)

They found a servant of Ours whom We had granted mercy from Us and whom We had also given knowledge direct from Us. (18:65)

Musa said to him, 'May I follow you on condition that you teach me some of the right guidance you have been taught?' (18:66)

He said, 'You will not be able to bear with me. How indeed could you bear with patience something you have not encompassed in your knowledge?' (18:67-68)

Musa said, 'You will find me patient, if Allah wills, and I will not disobey you in any matter.' (18:69)

He said, 'Then if you follow me, do not question me about anything until I myself make mention of it to you.' (18:70)

They continued until they boarded a boat and he scuppered it. Then Musa said, 'Did you scupper it so that its owners would be drowned? This is

truly a dreadful thing that you have done!' (18:71)

He said, 'Did I not say that you would not be able to bear with me?' (18:72)

Musa said, 'Do not take me to task because I forgot. Do not demand of me something which is too difficult.' (18:73)

So they went on until they met a youngster whom he killed. Musa said, 'Have you killed a boy who has done no wrong, without it being in retaliation for someone else? This is truly an appalling thing that you have done!' (18:74)

He said, 'Did I not tell you that you would not be able to bear with me?' (18:75)

Musa said, 'If I ask you about anything after this, then you should no longer keep me company. I will have given you excuse enough.' (18:76)

So they went on until they reached the inhabitants of a town. They asked them for food but they refused them hospitality. They found there a wall about to fall down and he built it up. Musa said, 'If you had wanted, you could have taken a wage for doing that.' (18:77)

He said, 'This is where you and I part company. I will let you know the explanation of those things about which you were not able to restrain yourself. As for the boat, it belonged to some poor people who worked on the sea. I wanted to damage it because a king was coming behind them, commandeering every boat. As for the boy, his parents were believers and we feared that he would darken their days with excessive insolence and disbelief. We wanted their Lord to give them in exchange a purer son than him, one more compassionate. As for the wall, it belonged to two young orphans in the town and there was a treasure underneath it, belonging to them. Their father was one of the righteous and your Lord wanted them to come of age and then to unearth their treasure as a mercy from Him. I did not do it of my own volition. That is the explanation of the things about which you were not able to restrain yourself.' (18:78-82)

Mention Musa in the Book. He was truly sincere and was a Messenger and a Prophet. (19:51)

Has the story of Musa not reached you? (20:9)

When he saw a fire and said to his family, 'Wait

here. I can make out a fire. Maybe I will bring you a brand from it, or will find guidance there.' (20:10)

Then when he reached it, a voice called out, 'Musa! I am your Lord. Take off your sandals. You are in the holy valley of Tuwa. I have chosen you, so listen well to what is revealed. I am Allah. There is no god but Me, so worship Me and perform prayer to remember Me. The Hour is coming but I have concealed it so that every self can be repaid for its efforts. Do not let those who have no faith in it and follow their whims and desires debar you from it or you will be destroyed. What is that in your right hand, Musa?' (20:11-17)

He said, 'It is my staff. I lean on it and beat down leaves for my sheep with it and have other uses for it.' (20:18)

He said, 'Throw it down, Musa.' (20:19)

He threw it down and suddenly it was a slithering snake. (20:20)

He said, 'Take hold of it and have no fear. We will return it to its original form. Put your hand under your arm and press it to your side. It will emerge pure white yet quite unharmed, another Sign. In this way We show you some of Our greatest Signs. Go to Pharaoh. He has overstepped the bounds.' (20:21-24)

He said, 'O Lord, expand my breast for me and make my task easy for me. Loosen the knot in my tongue so that they will understand my words. Assign me a helper from my family, my brother Harun. Strengthen my back by him and let him share in my task, so that we can glorify You much and remember You much, for You are watching us.' (20:25-35)

He said, 'Your request has been granted, Musa. We were gracious to you another time when We revealed to your mother: "Place him into the box and throw it into the sea and the sea will wash it up on the shore, where an enemy of Mine and his will pick it up." I showered you with love from Me so that you would be brought up under My supervision. When your sister went and said, "Shall I direct you to someone who will take care of him?", that was how We returned you to your mother so that she might delight her eyes and not

be grieved. You killed a man and We rescued you from trouble and tested you with many trials. You stayed some years among the people of Madyan. Then you arrived at the pre-ordained time, Musa! I have chosen you for Myself. Go, you and your brother, with My Signs and do not slacken in remembering Me. Go to Pharaoh; he has overstepped the bounds. But speak to him with gentle words so that hopefully he will pay heed or show some fear.' (20:36-44)

They said, 'Our Lord, we are afraid that he might persecute us or overstep the bounds.' (20:45)

He said, 'Have no fear. I will be with you, All-Hearing and All-Seeing. Go to him and say, "We are your Lord's Messengers so send the tribe of Israel away with us and do not punish them. We have brought you a Sign from your Lord. Peace be upon those who follow the guidance. It has been revealed to us that punishment is for him who denies the truth and turns away.'" (20:46-48) Pharaoh said, 'Who then is your Lord, Musa?' (20:49)

He said, 'Our Lord is He Who gives each thing its created form and then guides it.' (20:50)

He (Pharaoh) said, 'What about the previous generations?' (20:51)

He said, 'Knowledge of them is with my Lord in a Book. My Lord does not misplace nor does He forget.' (20:52)

It is He Who made the earth a cradle for you and threaded pathways for you through it and sent down water from the sky by which We have brought forth various different types of plants. (20:53)

Eat and pasture your cattle. Certainly there are Signs in that for people of sound intellect. (20:54) From it We created you, to it We will return you, and from it We will bring you forth a second time. (20:55)

We showed him all of Our Signs, but he denied and spurned them. (20:56)

He said, 'Have you come to us to expel us from our land by means of your magic, Musa? We will bring you magic to match it. So fix a time between us and you which neither we nor you will fail to keep at a place where we can meet halfway.' (20:57-58)

He (Musa) said, 'Your time is the day of the Festival. The people should gather in the morning.' (20:59)

So Pharaoh went away and concocted his scheme and then he arrived. (20:60)

Musa said to them, 'Woe to you! Do not fabricate lies against Allah or He will annihilate you with His punishment. Fabricators of lies are bound to fail.' (20:61)

They argued among themselves about the matter and had a secret conference. (20:62)

They said, 'These two magicians desire by their magic to expel you from your land and abolish your most excellent way of life, so decide on your scheme and then arrive together in force. He who gains the upper hand today will definitely prosper.' (20:63-64)

They said, 'Musa, will you throw or shall we be the first to throw?' (20:65)

He (Musa) said, 'No, you throw!' And suddenly their ropes and staffs appeared to him, by their magic, to be slithering about. (20:66)

Musa experienced in himself a feeling of alarm. (20:67)

We said, 'Have no fear. You will have the upper hand. Throw down what is in your right hand. It will swallow up their handiwork. Their handiwork is just a magician's trick. Magicians do not prosper wherever they go.' (20:68-69)

The magicians threw themselves down in prostration. They said, 'We believe in the Lord of Harun and Musa.' (20:70)

Pharaoh said, 'Do you believe in him before I have authorised you? He is your chief, the one who taught you magic. I will cut off your hands and feet alternately and have you crucified on palm trunks. Then you will know for certain which of us has the harsher and longer lasting punishment.' (20:71)

They said, 'We will never prefer you to the Clear Signs which have come to us nor to Him Who brought us into being. Decide on any judgment you like. Your jurisdiction only covers the life of this world. We have believed in our Lord so that He may forgive us for our mistakes and for the magic which you forced us to perform. Allah is better and longer lasting.' (20:72-73)

As for those who come to their Lord as evildoers, they will have Hell where they will neither die nor stay alive. (20:74)

But as for those who come to Him as believers, having done right actions, they will have the highest ranks: Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the reward of those who purify themselves. (20:75-76)

We revealed to Musa, 'Travel with My servants by night. Strike a dry path for them through the sea. Have no fear of being overtaken and do not be afraid.' (20:77)

Pharaoh pursued them with his troops and the sea overwhelmed them utterly. (20:78)

Pharaoh misguided his people. He was no guide. (20:79)

Tribe of Israel! We rescued you from your enemy and made an appointment with you on the right hand side of the Mount and sent down manna and quails for you. (20:80)

Eat of the good things We have provided for you but do not go to excess in it or My anger will be unleashed on you. Anyone who has My anger unleashed on him has plunged to his ruin. (20:81)

But I am Ever-Forgiving to anyone who repents and believes and acts rightly and then is guided. (20:82)

'Why have you hurried on ahead of your people, Musa?' (20:83)

He (Musa) said, 'They are following in my tracks. I have hurried on ahead to you, My Lord, to gain Your good pleasure.' (20:84)

He said, 'We tried your people after you left and the Samaritan has misguided them.' (20:85)

Musa returned to his people in anger and great sorrow. He said, 'My people, did not your Lord make you a handsome promise? Did the fulfilment of the contract seem too long to you or did you want to unleash your Lord's anger upon yourselves, so you broke your promise to me?' (20:86)

They said, 'We did not break our promise to you of our own volition. But we were weighed down with the heavy loads of the people's jewelry and we threw them in, for that is what the Samaritan

did.' (20:87)

Then he produced a calf for them, a physical form which made a lowing sound. So they said, 'This is your god—and Musa's god as well, but he forgot.' (20:88)

Could they not see that it did not reply to them and that it possessed no power to either harm or benefit them? (20:89)

Harun had earlier said to them, 'My people! It is just a trial for you. Your Lord is the All-Merciful, so follow me and obey my command!' (20:90)

They said, 'We will not stop devoting ourselves to it until Musa returns to us.' (20:91)

He (Musa) said, 'What prevented you following me, Harun, when you saw that they had gone astray? Did you too, then, disobey my command?' (20:92-93)

He (Harun) said, 'Son of my mother! Do not seize me by the beard or by the hair. I was afraid that you would say, "You have caused division in the tribe of Israel and taken no notice to anything I said."' (20:94)

He (Musa) said, 'What do you think you were doing, Samaritan?' (20:95)

He (Samaritan) said, 'I saw what they did not see. So I gathered up a handful from the Messenger's footprints and threw it in. That is what my inner self urged me to do.' (20:96)

He (Musa) said, 'Go! In this world you will have to say, "Untouchable!" And you have an appointment which you will not fail to keep. Look at your god to which you devoted so much time. We will burn it up and then scatter it as dust into the sea. Your god is Allah alone, there is no god but Him. He encompasses all things in His knowledge.' (20:97-98)

We gave to Musa and Harun the Discrimination and a Shining Light and a Reminder for the heedful. (21:48)

Then We sent Musa and his brother Harun with Our Signs and clear authority to Pharaoh and his ruling circle. But they were proud and were a haughty people. (23:45-46)

They said, 'What! Should we believe in two human beings like ourselves when their people are our slaves?' (23:47)

They denied them and so they were destroyed. (23:48)

We gave Musa the Book so that perhaps they would be guided. (23:49)

We said, 'Go to the people who have denied Our Signs,' and We annihilated them completely. (25:36)

When your Lord called out to Musa: 'Go to the wrongdoing people, the people of Pharaoh. Will they not guard against evil?' (26:10-11)

He said, 'My Lord, I fear they will deny me and that my breast will be constricted and that my tongue will not be free, so send Harun as a Messenger as well. They hold a wrong action against me and I fear that they may kill me.' (26:12-14)

He said, 'By no means! Go, both of you, with Our Signs. We will certainly be together with you, listening. Go to Pharaoh and say, "We are the Messenger of the Lord of all the worlds to tell you to send the tribe of Israel away with us." (26:15-17)

He (Pharaoh) said, 'Did we not bring you up among us as a child and did you not spend many years of your life among us? Yet you did the deed you did and were ungrateful.' (26:18-19)

He (Musa) said, 'At the time I did it I was one of the misguided and so I fled from you when I was in fear of you but my Lord gave me right judgement and made me one of the Messengers. And anyway you can only reproach me with this favour because you made the tribe of Israel into slaves!' (26:20-22)

Pharaoh said, 'What is the Lord of all the worlds?' (26:23)

He said, 'The Lord of the heavens and the earth and everything between them if you knew for sure.' (26:24)

He said to those around him, 'Are you listening?' (26:25)

He (Musa) said, 'Your Lord and the Lord of your forefathers, the previous peoples.' (26:26)

He (Pharaoh) said, 'This Messenger, who has been sent to you, is mad.' (26:27)

He (Musa) said, 'The Lord of the East and the West and everything between them if you used your intellect.' (26:28)

He (Pharaoh) said, 'If you take any god other than me, I will certainly throw you into prison.' (26:29)

He (Musa) said, 'Even if I were to bring you something undeniable?' (26:30)

He (Pharaoh) said, 'Produce it then if you are

someone telling the truth.' (26:31)

So He threw down his staff and there it was, unmistakably a snake. (26:32)

And he drew out his hand and there it was, pure white to those who looked. (26:33)

He (Pharaoh) said to the High Council round about him, 'This certainly is a skilled magician who desires by his magic to expel you from your land, so what do you recommend?' (26:34-35)

They said, 'Detain him and his brother and send out marshals to the cities, to bring you all the skilled magicians.' (26:36-37)

So the magicians were assembled for a meeting on a specified day. (26:38)

The people were asked, 'Are you all assembled so we can follow the magicians if they are the winners?' (26:39-40)

When the magicians came, they said to Pharaoh, 'Will we be rewarded if we are the winners?' (26:41)

He said, 'Yes, and in that case you will be among those brought near.' (26:42)

Musa said to them, 'Throw whatever it is you are going to throw!' (26:43)

They threw down their ropes and staffs and said, 'By the might of Pharaoh we are the winners.' (26:44)

But Musa threw down his staff and at once it swallowed up what they had fabricated. (26:45)

The magicians threw themselves down, prostrating. (26:46)

They said, 'We believe in the Lord of all the worlds, the Lord of Musa and Harun.' (26:47-48)

He (Pharaoh) said, 'Have you believed in him before I authorised you? He is your chief who taught you magic. But you will soon know! I will cut off your alternate hands and feet and I will crucify every one of you.' (26:49)

They said, 'We do not care! We are returning to our Lord. We remain hopeful that our Lord will forgive us our mistakes for being the first of the believers.' (26:50-51)

We revealed to Musa: 'Travel with Our servants by night. You will certainly be pursued.' (26:52)

Pharaoh sent marshals into the cities: 'These people are a small group and they are raging furiously against us and we constitute a vigilant

majority.' (26:53-56)

We expelled them from gardens and springs, from treasures and a splendid situation. (26:57-58)

So it was! And We bequeathed them to the tribe of Israel. (26:59)

So they (Pharaoh and his troops) pursued them towards the east. (26:60)

And when the two hosts came into sight of one another, Musa's companions said, 'We will surely be overtaken!' (26:61)

He (Musa) said, 'Never! My Lord is with me and He will guide me.' (26:62)

So We revealed to Musa, 'Strike the sea with your staff.' And it split in two, each part like a towering cliff. (26:63)

And We brought the others right up to it. (26:64)

We rescued Musa and all those who were with him. (26:65)

Then We drowned the rest. (26:66)

There is certainly a Sign in that yet most of them are not believers. (26:67)

When Musa said to his people, 'I can make out a fire. I will bring you news from it or at least a burning brand so that hopefully you will be able to warm yourselves.' (27:7)

But when he reached it, a voice called out to him, 'Blessed be Him who is in the Fire and all who are around it. Glory be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds! Musa, I am Allah, the Almighty, the All-Wise. Throw down your staff.' Then when he saw it slithering like a snake he turned and fled and did not turn back again. 'Have no fear, Musa. In My Presence the Messengers have no fear—except for one who did wrong; and if he then changes evil into good, I am Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. Put your hand inside your shirt front. It will emerge pure white, yet quite unharmed—one of nine Signs to Pharaoh and his people. They are a people of deviators.' (27:8-12)

When Our Signs came to them in all their clarity, they said, 'This is downright magic,' and they repudiated them wrongly and haughtily, in spite of their own certainty about them. See the final fate of the corrupters. (27:13-14)

We recite to you with truth some news of Musa and Pharaoh for people who believe. (28:3)

Pharaoh exalted himself arrogantly in the land and divided its people into camps, oppressing one group of them by slaughtering their sons and letting their women live. He was one of the corrupters. (28:4)

We desired to show kindness to those who were oppressed in the land and to make them leaders and make them inheritors and establish them firmly in the land and to show Pharaoh and Haman and their troops the very thing that they were fearing from them. (28:5-6)

We revealed to Musa's mother, 'Suckle him and then when you fear for him cast him into the sea. Do not fear or grieve; We will return him to you and make him one of the Messengers.' (28:7)

The family of Pharaoh picked him up so that he might be an enemy and a source of grief to them. Certainly Pharaoh and Haman and their troops were in the wrong. (28:8)

The wife of Pharaoh said, 'A source of delight for me and for you; do not kill him. It may well be that he will be of use to us or perhaps we could adopt him as a son.' They were not aware. (28:9)

Musa's mother felt a great emptiness in her heart and she almost gave him away; only We fortified her heart so that she would be one of the believers. (28:10)

She said to his sister, 'Go after him.' And she kept an eye on him from afar and they were not aware. (28:11)

We first made wet-nurses forbidden for him, so she said, 'Shall I show you to a household who will feed him for you and be good to him?' (28:12)

That is how We returned him to his mother so that she might delight her eyes and feel no grief and so that she would know that Allah's promise is true. But most of them do not know this. (28:13)

And when he reached his full strength and maturity, We gave him judgement and knowledge. That is how We recompense good-doers. (28:14) He (Musa) entered the city at a time when its inhabitants were unaware and found two men fighting there—one from his party and the other from his enemy. The one from his party asked for his support against the other from his enemy. So

Musa hit him, dealing him a fatal blow. He said, 'This is part of Satan's handiwork. He truly is an outright and misleading enemy.' (28:15)

He said, 'My Lord, I have wronged myself. Forgive me.' So He forgave him. He is the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful. (28:16)

He said, 'My Lord, because of Your blessing to me, I will never be a supporter of evildoers.' (28:17)

Morning found him in the city, fearful and on his guard. Then suddenly the man who had sought his help the day before, shouted for help from him again. Musa said to him, 'You are clearly a misguided man.' (28:18)

But when he was about to grab the man who was their common enemy, he said, 'Musa! Do you want to kill me just as you killed a person yesterday? You only want to be a tyrant in the land; you do not want to be a reformer.' (28:19)

A man came running from the furthest part of the city, saying, 'Musa, the Council are conspiring to kill you, so leave! I am someone who brings you good advice.' (28:20)

So he left there fearful and on his guard, saying, 'My Lord, rescue me from the people of the wrongdoers!' (28:21)

When turned his face in the direction of Madyan, he said, 'Hopefully my Lord will guide me to the right way.' (28:22)

When he arrived at the water of Madyan, he found a crowd of people drawing water there. Standing apart from them, he found two women, holding back their sheep. He said, 'What are you two doing here?' They said, 'We cannot draw water until the shepherds have driven off their sheep. You see our father is a very old man.' (28:23)

So he drew water for them and then withdrew into the shade and said, 'My Lord, I am truly in need of any good You have in store for me.' (28:24)

One of them came walking shyly up to him and said, 'My father invites you so that he can pay you your wage for drawing water for us.' When he came to him and told him the whole story he said, 'Have no fear, you have escaped from wrongdoing people.' (28:25)

One of them said, 'Hire him, father. The best person to hire is someone strong and trustworthy.' (28:26)

He (their father) said, 'I would like to marry you to one of these two daughters of mine on condition that you work for me for eight full years. If you complete ten, that is up to you. I do not want to be hard on you. You will find me, Allah willing, to be one of the righteous.' (28:27)

He (Musa) said, 'That is agreed between me and you. Whichever of the two terms I fulfil, there should be no bad feeling towards me. Allah is Guardian over what we say.' (28:28)

When Musa had fulfilled the appointed term and had set off with his family, he noticed a fire from one side of the Mount. He said to his family, 'Stay here, I can see a fire. Hopefully I will bring you back some news from it or a burning branch from the fire so that you will be able to warm yourselves.' (28:29)

But when he reached it a voice called out to him from the right hand side of the valley in the part which was full of blessing, from out of the bush: 'Musa, I am Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. Throw down your staff!' Then when he saw it slithering like a snake he turned and fled and did not turn back again. 'Musa, approach and have no fear! You are one of those who are secure. Put your hand inside your shirt front. It will emerge pure white yet quite unharmed. And hug your arms to your sides to still your fear. These are two proofs from your Lord for Pharaoh and his ruling circle. They are a deviant people.' (28:30-32)

He said, 'My Lord, I killed one of them and I am afraid they will kill me; and my brother Harun is more eloquent than me so send him with me to support me and back me up. I am afraid they will call me a liar.' (28:33-34)

He said, 'We will reinforce you with your brother and by Our Signs will give you both authority, so that they will not be able to lay a hand on you. You and those who follow you will be the victors.' (28:35)

But when Musa brought them Our Clear Signs they said, 'This is nothing but trumped-up magic. We never heard anything like this among our earlier forefathers.' (28:36)

Musa said, 'My Lord knows best who has come with guidance from Him and who will have the best Home in the end. The wrongdoers will certainly not be successful.' (28:37)

Pharaoh said, 'Council, I do not know of any other god for you apart from Me. Haman, kindle a fire for me over the clay and build me a lofty tower so that perhaps I may be able to climb up to Musa's god! I consider him a blatant liar.' (28:38)

He and his troops were arrogant in the land without any right. They thought that they would not return to Us. (28:39)

So We seized him and his troops and flung them into the sea. See the final fate of the wrongdoers! (28:40)

We made them leaders, summoning to the Fire, and on the Day of Rising they will not be helped. (28:41)

We pursued them with a curse in this world and on the Day of Rising they will be hideous and spurned. (28:42)

We gave Musa the Book after destroying the earlier nations, to awaken people's hearts and as a guidance and a mercy so that hopefully they would pay heed. (28:43)

You were not on the western side when We gave Musa the command. You were not a witness. (28:44)

Yet We produced further generations and ages passed. Nor did you live among the people of Madyan and recite Our Signs to them, yet We have sent you news of them. (28:45)

Nor were you on the side of the Mount when We called, yet it is a mercy from your Lord so that you can warn a people to whom no warner came before, so that hopefully they will pay heed. (28:46)

If a disaster had struck them because of what they had already done, they would have said, 'Our Lord, why did You not send us a Messenger so that we could have followed Your Signs and been believers?' (28:47)

But when the truth did come to them from Us they said, 'Why has he not been given the same as Musa was given?' But did they not previously reject what Musa was given? They say, 'Two ma-

gicians who back each other up.' And they say, 'We reject both of them.' (28:48)

Qarun was one of the people of Musa but he lorded it over them. We gave him treasures, the keys alone to which were a heavy weight for a party of strong men. When his people said to him, 'Do not gloat. Allah does not love people who gloat.' (28:76)

And Qarun and Pharaoh and Haman—Musa came with the Clear Signs to them, but they were arrogant on the earth. They could not outstrip Us. (29:39)

We gave Musa the Book—be in no doubt about the meeting with him—and made it a guidance for the tribe of Israel. (32:23)

When We made a covenant with all the Prophets—with you and with Nuh and Ibrahim and Musa and 'Isa son of Maryam—We made a binding covenant with them. (33:7)

You who believe! Do not be like those who abused Musa. Allah absolved him of what they said and he was highly honoured with Allah. (33:69)

We showed great kindness to Musa and Harun. (37:114)

We rescued them and their people from their terrible plight. (37:115)

We supported them and so they were the victors. (37:116)

We gave them the clarifying Book and guided them on the Straight Path, and left the later people saying of them, 'Peace be upon Musa and Harun!' (37:117-120)

That is how We recompense good-doers. (37:121)

They truly were among Our servants who are believers. (37:122)

We sent Musa with Our Signs and clear authority to Pharaoh, Haman and Qarun. But they said, 'A lying magician.' (40:23-24)

When he brought them the truth from Us they said, 'Slaughter the sons of those who believe with him but let their women live.' The stratagems of the disbelievers are nothing but errors. (40:25)

Pharaoh said, 'Let me kill Musa and let him call upon his Lord! I am afraid that he may change

your religion and bring about corruption in the land.' (40:26)

Musa said, 'I seek refuge in my Lord and your Lord from every proud man who does not believe in the Day of Reckoning.' (40:27)

A man among Pharaoh's people who believed, but kept his faith concealed, said, 'Are you going to kill a man for saying "My Lord is Allah" when he has brought you Clear Signs from your Lord? If he is telling a lie, be it on his own head. But if he is telling the truth, then some of what he is promising you will certainly happen to you. Allah does not guide any unbridled inveterate liar. My people! The kingdom is yours today, as masters in the land, but who will help us against Allah's violent force, if it comes upon us?' Pharaoh said, 'I only show you what I see myself and I only guide you to the path of rectitude.' (40:28-29)

The man who believed said, 'My people! I fear for you a day like that of the Confederates, the same as happened to the people of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud and those who followed after them. Allah does not want any injustice for His servants. My people! I fear for you the Day of Calling Out, the Day when you will turn your backs in flight, having no one to protect you from Allah. Whoever Allah misguides will have no guide. Yusuf brought you the Clear Signs before, but you never stopped doubting what he brought to you to the extent that when he died, you said, "Allah will never send another Messenger after him." That is how Allah misguides those who are unbridled and full of doubt.' (40:30-34)

Those who argue about the Signs of Allah without any authority coming to them do something hateful in the sight of Allah and in the sight of the people who believe. That is how Allah seals up the heart of every arrogant oppressor. (40:35)

Pharaoh said, 'Haman, build me a tower so that perhaps I may gain means of access, access to the heavens, so that I can look on Musa's God. Truly I think he is a liar.' That is how Pharaoh's evil actions were made attractive to him and he debarred others from the Path. Pharaoh's scheming led to nothing but ruin. (40:36-37)

The man who believed said, 'My people! Follow me and I will guide you to the path of rectitude.

My people! The life of this world is only fleeting enjoyment. It is the hereafter which is the abode of permanence. Whoever does an evil act will only be repaid with its equivalent. But whoever acts rightly, male or female, being a believer, such a person will enter the Garden, provided for in it without any reckoning. My people! How is it that I call you to salvation while you call me to the Fire? You call me to reject Allah and to associate something with Him about which I have no knowledge, while I call you to the Almighty, the Endlessly Forgiving. There is no question that what you call me to has no foundation either in this world or the hereafter, that our return is to Allah, and that the profligate will be Companions of the Fire. You will remember what I say to you. I consign my affair completely to Allah. Truly Allah sees His servants.' (40:38-44)

So Allah safeguarded him from the evil things they plotted and a most evil torment engulfed Pharaoh's people—the Fire, morning and night, to which they are exposed; and on the Day the Hour takes place: 'Admit Pharaoh's people to the harshest punishment!' (40:45-46)

We gave Musa the guidance and bequeathed the Book to the tribe of Israel. (40:53)

We gave Musa the Book but there was disagreement about it. And had it not been for a prior Word from your Lord, the judgement between them would already have been made. They are indeed in grave doubt about it. (41:45)

He has laid down the same religion for you as He enjoined on Nuh: that which We have revealed to you and which We enjoined on Ibrahim, Musa and 'Isa: 'Establish the religion and do not make divisions in it.' What you call the idolaters to follow is very hard for them. Allah chooses for Himself anyone He wills and guides to Himself those who turn to Him. (42:13)

We sent Musa with Our Signs to Pharaoh and his nobles. He said, 'I am the Messenger of the Lord of the worlds.' But when he came to them with Our Signs, they merely laughed at them. We showed them no Sign which was not greater than the one before it. We seized them with punishment so that hopefully they would turn back. They said, 'Magician, invoke your Lord for us by

the contract He has made with you and we shall certainly follow the guidance.' But when We removed the punishment from them, they immediately broke their word. Pharaoh called to his people, saying, 'My people, does the kingdom of Egypt not belong to me? Do not all these rivers flow under my control? Do you not then see? Am I not better than this man who is contemptible and can scarcely make anything clear? Why have gold bracelets not been put upon his arms and why is there not a train of angels accompanying him?' In that way he swayed his people and they succumbed to him. They were a people of deviators. Then when they had provoked Our wrath, We took revenge on them and drowned every one of them. We made them a thing of the past, an example for later peoples. (43:46-56) But before it there was the Book of Musa as a model and a mercy. And this is a corroborating Book in the Arabic tongue so that you may warn those who do wrong, and as good news for the good-doers. (46:12)

They said, 'Our people, we have heard a Book which was sent down after Musa, confirming what came before it, guiding to the truth and to a straight path.' (46:30)

And also in Musa when We sent him to Pharaoh with clear authority. But he turned away with his forces, saying, 'A magician or a madman!' So We seized him and his armies and hurled them into the sea, and he was to blame. (51:38-40)

Or has he not been informed what is in the texts of Musa? (53:36)

Remember when Musa said to his people, 'My people, why do you mistreat me when you know that I am the Messenger of Allah to you?' So when they deviated, Allah made their hearts deviate. Allah does not guide people who are deviators. (61:5)

Has the story of Musa reached you: when his Lord called out to him in the holy valley of Tuwa? 'Go to Pharaoh—he has overstepped the limits—and say: "Do you resolve to purify yourself. I will guide you to your Lord so that you may fear Him?"' Then he showed him the Great Sign. But he denied it and disobeyed, and then he hastily backed away. But then he rallied and

called out, saying, 'I am your Lord Most High!' So Allah made an example of him seizing him with punishment in this world and the hereafter. There is certainly instruction in that for those who fear. (79:15-26)

This is certainly in the earlier texts, the texts of Ibrahim and Musa. (87:18-19)

### **MUSHRIQUN (SEE IDOLATERS)**

### **MUTASHABIH VERSES (SEE VERSES THAT ARE OPEN TO INTERPRETATION)**

#### **MYTH**

When Our Signs are recited to them, they say, 'We have already heard all this. If we wanted, we could say the same thing. This is nothing but the myths of previous peoples.' (8:31)

When they are asked, 'What has your Lord sent down?' they say, 'Myths and legends of previous peoples.' (16:24)

Then We sent Our Messengers one after another, at intervals. Each time its Messenger came to a community they called him a liar so We made them follow one another too and turned them into myths and legends. Away with the people who have no faith! (23:44)

Those who disbelieve say, 'When we and our fathers are turned to dust will we then be brought forth again? We have been promised this before, we and our fathers. This is nothing but myths and legends of previous peoples.' (27:67-68)

They said, 'Our Lord, put more distance between our staging posts.' They wronged themselves so We made legends of them and scattered them without a trace. There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast and thankful. (34:19)

When Our Signs are recited to him, he says, 'Just myths and legends of the previous peoples!' (83:13)

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## NAFS (SEE SELF)

### NAKEDNESS

You will not go hungry in it or suffer from nakedness. (20:118)

You who believe! Those you own as slaves and those of you who have not yet reached puberty should ask your permission to enter at three times: before the Dawn Prayer, when you have undressed at noon, and after the Prayer of Night—three times of nakedness for you. There is nothing wrong for you or them at other times in moving around among yourselves from one to another. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (24:58)  
Had a blessing from his Lord not overtaken him, he (Yunus) would have been thrown up on the naked shore, for he was at fault. (68:49)

### NAME

He taught Adam the names of all things. Then He arrayed them before the angels and said, ‘Tell me the names of these if you are telling the truth.’ (2:31)

He said, ‘Adam, tell them their names.’ When he had told them their names, He said, ‘Did I not tell you that I know the Unseen of the heavens and the earth, and I know what you make known and what you hide?’ (2:33)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who bars access to the mosques of Allah, preventing His name from being remembered in them, and goes about destroying them? Such people will never be able to enter them—except in fear. They will have disgrace in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (2:114)  
When she gave birth, she said, ‘My Lord! I have given birth to a girl’—and Allah knew very well what she had given birth to, male and female are not the same—and I have named her Maryam and placed her and her children in Your safe-keeping from the accursed Satan.’ (3:36)

When the angels said, ‘Maryam, your Lord gives you good news of a Word from Him. His name is the Messiah, ‘Isa, son of Maryam, of high esteem

in this world and the hereafter, and one of those brought near.’ (3:45)

O mankind! Have fear of your Lord Who created you from a single self and created its mate from it and then disseminated many men and women from the two of them. Have fear of Allah in whose name you make demands on one another and also in respect of your families. Allah watches over you continually. (4:1)

They will ask you what is lawful for them. Say: ‘All good things are lawful for you, and also what is caught for you by hunting animals which you have trained as Allah has taught you. Eat what they catch for you, mentioning Allah’s name over it.’ And have fear of Allah. Allah is swift at reckoning. (5:4)

Eat that over which the name of Allah has been mentioned, if you believe in His Signs. (6:118)

What is the matter with you that you do not eat that over which the name of Allah has been mentioned, when He has made clear to you what He has made forbidden for you except when you are forced to eat it? Many people lead others astray through their whims and desires without having any knowledge. Your Lord knows best those who overstep the limits. (6:119)

Do not eat anything over which the name of Allah has not been mentioned. To do so is sheer deviance. The Satans inspire their friends to dispute with you. If you obeyed them you would then be idolaters. (6:121)

They say, ‘These animals and crops are sacrosanct. No one may eat them except those we wish’,—as they allege—and animals on whose backs it is forbidden to ride, and animals over which they do not mention Allah’s name, inventing falsehood against Him. He will repay them for the things they have invented. (6:138)

He (Hud) said, ‘Punishment and anger have come down on you from your Lord. Do you argue with me regarding names which you and your forefathers invented and for which Allah has sent down no authority? Wait, then; I am waiting with you.’ (7:71)

To Allah belong the Most Beautiful Names, so call on Him by them and abandon those who desecrate His Names. They will be repaid for

what they did. (7:180)

He (Nuh) said, 'Embark in it. In the name of Allah be its voyage and its landing! Truly my Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (11:41)

What you serve apart from Him are only names which you and your forefathers have made up. There is no mandate for them from Allah. Allah alone is qualified to judge. His order is to worship none but Him. That is in truth the straight and upright religion, but most of mankind simply do not know. (12:40)

What then of Him Who is standing over every self seeing everything it does? Yet still they associate others with Allah! Say: 'Name them! Or would you inform Him of something in the earth He does not know, or are they words which are simply guesswork on your part?' However, the plotting of those who disbelieve seems good to them and they bar the way. Anyone misguided by Allah has no guide. (13:33)

Say: 'Call on Allah or call on the All-Merciful, whichever you call upon, the Most Beautiful Names are His.' Do not be too loud in your prayer or too quiet in it, but try to find a way between the two. (17:110)

(His Lord said,) 'Zakariyya! We give you the good news of a boy named Yahya, a name we have given to no one else before.' (19:7)

He is Lord of the heavens and the earth and everything in between them, so worship Him and persevere in His worship. Do you know of any other with His Name? (19:65)

Allah, there is no god but Him. The Most Beautiful Names are His. (20:8)

Announce the Pilgrimage to mankind. They will come to you on foot and on every sort of lean animal, coming by every distant road so that they can be present at what will profit them and invoke Allah's name on specific days over livestock He has provided for them. Eat of them and feed those who are poor and in need. (22:27-28)

We have appointed a rite of sacrifice for every nation so that they may invoke Allah's name over the livestock He has given them. Your God is One God so submit to Him. Give good news to the humble-hearted. (22:34)

We have appointed the sacrificial animals for

you as one of the sacred rites of Allah. There is good in them for you, so invoke Allah's name over them, as they stand in rows. And then when they collapse on their sides, eat of them and feed both those who ask and those who are too shy to ask. In this way We have subjected them to you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (22:36)

Those who were expelled from their homes without any right, merely for saying, 'Our Lord is Allah' (if Allah had not driven some people back by means of others, monasteries, churches, synagogues and mosques, where Allah's name is mentioned much, would have been pulled down and destroyed. Allah will certainly help those who help Him—Allah is All-Strong, Almighty). (22:40)

Strive for Allah with the striving due to Him. He has selected you and not placed any constraint upon you in the religion—the religion of your forefather Ibrahim. He named you Muslims before and also in this, so that the Messenger could be witness against you and you could be witnesses against all mankind. So perform prayer and give the alms and hold fast to Allah. He is your Protector—the Best Protector, the Best Helper. (22:78)

In houses which Allah has permitted to be built and in which His name is remembered, there are men who proclaim His glory morning and evening. (24:36)

You who believe! People should not ridicule others who may be better than themselves; nor should any women ridicule other women who may be better than themselves. And do not find fault with one another or insult each other with derogatory nicknames. How evil it is to have a name for evil conduct after coming to faith! Those people who do not turn from it are wrongdoers. (49:11)

They (the idols) are nothing but names which you yourselves have given, you and your forefathers. Allah has sent down no authority for them. They are following nothing but conjecture and what their own selves desire. And that when guidance has reached them from their Lord! (53:23)

Those who do not believe in the hereafter give the angels female names. (53:27)

Blessed be the name of your Lord, Master of Majesty and Generosity. (55:78)

So glorify the name of your Lord, the Magnificent! (56:74)

So glorify the Name of your Lord, the Magnificent! (56:96)

He is Allah—the Creator, the Maker, the Giver of Form. To Him belong the Most Beautiful Names. Everything in the heavens and earth glorifies Him. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (59:24) And when ‘Isa son of Maryam said, ‘Tribe of Israel, I am the Messenger of Allah to you, confirming the Torah which came before me and giving you the good news of a Messenger after me whose name is Ahmad.’ When he brought them the Clear Signs, they said, ‘This is downright magic.’ (61:6)

Glorify then the name of your Lord, the Magnificent. (69:52)

Remember the Name of your Lord, and devote yourself to Him completely. (73:8)

Remember the Name of your Lord in the morning and the evening. (76:25)

Glorify the Name of your Lord, the Most High. (87:1)

He who invokes the Name of his Lord and prays. (87:15)

Recite: In the Name of your Lord Who created. (96:1)

## NAMES OF ALLAH

(Allah is) the All-Merciful, the Most Merciful. (1:2)

They say, ‘Allah has a son.’ Glory be to Him! No, everything in the heavens and earth belongs to Him. Everything is obedient to Him, the Originator of the heavens and earth. When He decides on something, He just says to it, ‘Be!’ and it is. (2:116-117)

If their faith is the same as yours then they are guided. But if they turn away, they are entrenched in hostility. Allah will be enough for you against them. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing. (2:137)

Your God is One God. There is no god but Him, the All-Merciful, the Most Merciful. (2:163)

And among the people there are some who give

up everything, desiring the good pleasure of Allah. Allah is Ever-Gentle with His servants. (2: 207)

Divorced women should wait by themselves for three menstrual cycles; and it is not lawful for them to conceal what Allah has created in their wombs if they believe in Allah and the Last Day. Their husbands have the right to take them back within that time, if they desire to be reconciled. Women possess rights similar to those held over them to be honoured with fairness; but men have a degree above them. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:228)

Allah, there is no god but Him, the Living, the Self-Sustaining. He is not subject to drowsiness or sleep. Everything in the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. Who can intercede with Him except by His permission? He knows what is before them and what is behind them but they cannot grasp any of His knowledge save what He wills. His Footstool encompasses the heavens and the earth and their preservation does not tire Him. He is the Most High, the Magnificent. (2:255)

Allah, there is no god but Him, the Living, the Self-Sustaining. (3:2)

Allah bears witness that there is no god but Him, as do the angels and the people of knowledge, upholding justice. There is no god but Him, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (3:18)

Allah chose Adam and Nuh and the family of Ibrahim and the family of ‘Imran over all other beings—descendants one of the other. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (3:33-34)

Allah knows best who your enemies are. Allah suffices as a Protector; Allah suffices as a Helper. (4:45)

If anyone desires the reward of this world, the reward of both this world and hereafter is with Allah. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Seeing. (4:134)

(Isa said,) ‘If You punish them, they are Your servants. If you forgive them, You are the Almighty, the All-Wise.’ (5:118)

Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then settled Himself firmly on the Throne. He covers the day with the night, each pursuing the other urgently; and the sun and moon and stars are subservient to His command. Both creation and command belong to

Him. Blessed be Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (7:54)

Allah only did this to give you good news and that so your hearts would be at rest. Victory comes from no one but Allah. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (8:10)

And (He turned) also towards the three who were left behind, so that when the earth became narrow for them, for all its great breadth, and their own selves became constricted for them and they realised that there was no refuge from Allah except in Him, He turned to them so that they might turn to Him. Allah is the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful. (9:118)

That is Allah, your Lord, the Truth, and what is there after truth except misguidance? So how have you been distracted? (10:32)

Then when Our command came We rescued Salih and those who believed along with him by a mercy from Us from the disgrace of that day. Your Lord is the All-Strong, the Almighty. (11:66)

They said, 'Are you astonished at Allah's command? May Allah's mercy and His blessings be upon you, People of the House! He is Praiseworthy, All-Glorious.' (11:73)

He said, 'No blame at all will fall on you. Today you have forgiveness from Allah. He is the Most Merciful of the merciful.' (12: 92)

Do not imagine that Allah will break His promise to His Messengers. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (14:47)

It is We Who give life and cause to die and We are the Inheritor. (15: 23)

Your Lord expands the provision of anyone He wills and restricts it. He is aware of and sees His servants. (17:30)

Glory be to Him! He is exalted above what they say in Greatness and Sublimity! (Qur'an, 17:43)

Say: 'Call on Allah or call on the All-Merciful, whichever you call upon, the Most Beautiful Names are His.' Do not be too loud in your prayer or too quiet in it, but try to find a way between the two. (17:110)

Faces will be humbled to the Living, the All-Sustaining and anyone weighed down with wrong-doing will have failed. (20:111)

Everything in the heavens and everything in the

earth belongs to Him. Allah is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy. (22:64)

Exalted be Allah, the King, the Real. There is no god but Him, Lord of the Noble Throne. (23:116)

Put your trust in the Living Who does not die and glorify Him with praise. He is well aware of the wrong actions of His servants. (25:58)

He who possessed knowledge of the Book said, 'I will bring it to you before your glance returns to you.' And when he saw it standing firmly in his presence, he said, 'This is part of my Lord's favour to test me to see if I will give thanks or show ingratitude. Whoever gives thanks only does so to his own gain. Whoever is ungrateful, my Lord is Rich Beyond Need, Generous.' (27:40)

Your Lord creates and chooses whatever He wills. The choice is not theirs. Glory be to Allah! He is exalted above anything they associate with Him! (28:68)

Everything in the heavens and earth belongs to Allah. Allah is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy. (31:26)

That is the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible, the Almighty, the Most Merciful. (32:6)

And remember the Signs of Allah and the wise words which are recited in your rooms. Allah is All-Pervading, All-Aware. (33:34)

He had no authority over them except to enable Us to know those who believe in the hereafter from those who are in doubt about it. Your Lord is the Preserver of all things. (34: 21)

Say: 'Our Lord will bring us all together and then will judge between us with the truth. He is the Just Decider, the All-Knowing.' (34:26)

Say: 'Show me those you have joined to Him as associates. No indeed! He is Allah, the Almighty, the All-Wise.' (34:27)

Mankind! You are the poor in need of Allah whereas Allah is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy. (35:15)

Allah keeps a firm hold on the heavens and earth, preventing them from vanishing away. And if they vanished no one could then keep hold of them. Certainly He is Most Forbearing, Ever-Forgiving. (35:41)

Allah is the Creator of everything and He is Guardian over everything. (39: 62)

He is the Living—there is no god but Him—so call on Him, making your religion sincerely His. Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (40: 65)

It is He Who sends down abundant rain, after they have lost all hope, and unfolds His mercy. He is the Protector, the Praiseworthy. (42:28)

The legions of the heavens and the earth belong to Allah. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (48:7)

(Has he not been informed) that it is He Who brings about both laughter and tears; that it is He Who brings about both death and life; that He created the two sexes—male and female? (53:43-45)  
Everything in the heavens and the earth glorifies Allah. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. The kingdom of the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. He gives life and causes to die. He has power over all things. He is the First and the Last, the Outward and the Inward. He has knowledge of all things. (57:1-3)

(Allah does not love) those who are tight-fisted and tell others to be tight-fisted. If anyone turns away, Allah is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy. (57:24)

He is Allah—there is no god but Him. He is the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible. He is the All-Merciful, the Most Merciful. (59:22)

He is Allah—there is no god but Him. He is the King, the Most Pure, the Perfect Peace, the Trustworthy, the Safeguarder, the Almighty, the Compeller, the Supremely Great. Glory be to Allah above all they associate with Him. (59:23)

He is Allah—the Creator, the Maker, the Giver of Form. To Him belong the Most Beautiful Names. Everything in the heavens and earth glorifies Him. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (59:24)

There is an excellent example in them for you to follow, that is for those whose hope is in Allah and the Last Day. But if anyone turns away, Allah is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy. (60:6)

That is because their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs but they said, ‘Are human beings going to guide us?’ So they disbelieved and turned away. But Allah is completely independent of them. Allah is Rich Beyond Need, Praiseworthy. (64:6)

If you make a generous loan to Allah He will multiply it for you and forgive you. Allah is All-

Thankful, Most Forbearing. The Knower of the Unseen and the Visible, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (64:17-18)

(He is) the Possessor of the Throne, the All-Glorious. (85:15)

Say: ‘He is Allah, Absolute Oneness, Allah, the Everlasting Sustainer of all. He has not given birth and was not born. And no one is comparable to Him.’ (112: 1-4)

## NASR

They have hatched a mighty plot saying, “Do not abandon your gods. Do not abandon Wadd or Suwa’ or Yaghuth or Ya’uq or Nasr.” (71:22-23)

## NATION

You are the best nation ever to be produced before mankind. You enjoin the right, forbid the wrong and believe in Allah. If the People of the Book were to believe, it would be better for them. Some of them are believers but most of them are deviators. (3:110)

How will it be when We bring a witness from every nation and bring you as a witness against them? (4:41)

We sent Messengers to nations before you, and afflicted those nations with hardship and distress so that hopefully they would humble themselves. (6:42)

Do not curse those they call upon besides Allah, in case that makes them curse Allah in animosity, without knowledge. In this way We make the actions of every nation seem attractive to them. Then they will return to their Lord, and He will inform them about what they did. (6:108)

Every nation has an appointed time. When their time comes, they cannot delay it a single hour or bring it forward. (7:34)

He will say, ‘Enter the Fire together with the nations of jinn and men who have passed away before you.’ Each time a nation enters, it will curse its sister nation, until, when they are all gathered together in it, the last of them will say to the first, ‘Our Lord, those are the ones who misguided us, so give them a double punishment in the Fire.’ He will say, ‘Each will receive double. But you do not know it.’ (7:38)

Every nation has a Messenger and when their Messenger comes everything is decided between them justly. They are not wronged. (10:47)

Say: 'I possess no power to harm or help myself except as Allah wills. Every nation has an appointed time. When their appointed time comes, they cannot delay it a single hour or bring it forward.' (10:49)

It was said, 'Nuh, descend with peace from Us and with blessings on you and on the nations which will issue from those who are with you. But there are nations to whom we will give enjoyment and then a painful punishment from Us will afflict them.' (11:48)

In the same way We have sent you among a nation before which other nations passed away, to recite to them what We have revealed to you. Yet they still reject the All-Merciful. Say: 'He is my Lord; there is no god but Him. I put my trust in Him and I turn to Him.' (13:30)

No nation can advance its appointed time nor can they delay it. (15:5)

On the Day We raise up a witness from every nation, those who disbelieved will not be excused nor will they be able to appease Allah. (16:84)

This nation of yours is one nation and I am your Lord, so worship Me. (21:92)

We have appointed a rite of sacrifice for every nation so that they may invoke Allah's name over the livestock He has given them. Your God is One God so submit to Him. Give good news to the humble-hearted. (22:34)

We have appointed for every nation a rite that they observe, so let them not dispute with you about the matter. Call the people to your Lord. You are guided straight. (22:67)

No nation can advance its appointed time nor can they delay it. (23:43)

We will drag out a witness from each nation and will say, 'Produce your evidence!' They will know then that the truth is with Allah and that what they invented has forsaken them. (28:75) And if you deny it, nations before you also denied the truth. The Messenger is only responsible for clear transmission. (29:18)

The people of Nuh denied the truth before them, and the Confederates after them. Every nation

planned to seize its Messenger and used false arguments to rebut the truth. So I seized them, and how was My retribution! (40:5)

We have assigned close comrades to them who have made what is before them and behind them seem good to them. And the statement about the nations, both of jinn and men, who passed away before them has proved true of them as well. Certainly they were lost. (41:25)

If Allah had willed, He would have made them a single nation. But He admits whoever He wills into His mercy and the wrongdoers have no protector and no helper. (42:8)

You will see every nation on its knees, every nation summoned to its Book: 'Today you will be repaid for what you did.' (45:28)

Those are people of whom the statement about the nations, both of jinn and men, who passed away before them, has also proved true; truly they were the lost. (46:18)

## **ALLAH'S NATURAL PATTERN (FITRAH)**

So set your face firmly towards the Religion, as a pure natural believer, Allah's natural pattern on which He made mankind. There is no changing Allah's creation. That is the true Religion—but most people do not know it. (30:30)

## **NATURAL PURE BELIEF**

They say, 'Be Jews or Christians and you will be guided.' Say, 'Rather adopt the religion of Ibrahim, a man of natural pure belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (2:135)

Ibrahim was neither a Jew nor a Christian but a man of pure natural belief—a Muslim. He was not one of the idolaters. (3:67)

Say, 'Allah speaks the truth, so follow the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (3:95)

Who could have a better religion than someone who submits himself completely to Allah and is a good-doer, and follows the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief? Allah took Ibrahim as an intimate friend. (4:125)

(Ibrahim said,) 'I have turned my face to Him Who brought the heavens and earth into being, a

pure natural believer. I am not one of the idolaters.' (6:79)

Say: 'My Lord has guided me to a straight path, a well-founded religion, the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (6:161)

Turn your face towards the religion in pure natural faith, and on no account be among the idolaters. (10:105)

Ibrahim was a community in himself, exemplary, obedient to Allah, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters. (16:120)

Then We revealed to you: 'Follow the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (16:123)

Be people of pure natural belief in Allah, not associating anything else with Him. As for anyone who associates others with Allah, it is as though he had fallen from the sky and the birds had seized him and carried him away or the wind had dropped him in a distant place. (22:31)

So set your face firmly towards the Religion, as a pure natural believer, Allah's natural pattern on which He made mankind. There is no changing Allah's creation. That is the true Religion—but most people do not know it. (30:30)

They were only ordered to worship Allah, making their religion sincerely His as people of pure natural belief, and to perform prayer and give the alms—that is the religion of the correct. (98:5)

## **NEARNESS OF ALLAH TO PEOPLE**

Or did you suppose that you would enter the Garden without facing the same as those who came before you? Poverty and illness afflicted them and they were shaken to the point that the Messenger and those who believed with him said, 'When is Allah's help coming?' Be assured that Allah's help is very near. (2:214)

If My servants ask you about Me, I am near. I answer the call of the caller when he calls on Me. They should therefore respond to Me and believe in Me so that hopefully they will be rightly guided. (2:186)

What is in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Allah. Allah encompasses all things. (4:126) Eyesight cannot perceive Him but He perceives

eyesight. He is the All-Penetrating, the All-Aware. (6:103)

Do not be like those who left their homes in arrogance, showing off to people and barring them from the way of Allah—Allah encompasses what they do. (8:47)

We created man and We know what his own self whispers to him. We are nearer to him than his jugular vein. (50:16)

Why then, when death reaches his throat and you are at that moment looking on—and We are nearer him than you but you cannot see. (56:83-85)

Do you not see that Allah knows what is in the heavens and on the earth? Three men cannot confer together secretly without Him being the fourth of them, or five without Him being the sixth of them, or fewer than that or more without Him being with them wherever they are. Then He will inform them on the Day of Rising of what they did. Allah has knowledge of all things. (58:7)

## **NEIGHBOUR**

Worship Allah and do not associate anything with Him. Be good to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to neighbours who are related to you and neighbours who are not related to you, and to companions and travellers and your slaves. Allah does not love anyone vain or boastful. (4:36)

## **NEWS**

Give the good news to those who believe and do right actions that they will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them. When they are given fruit there as provision, they will say, 'This is what we were given before.' But they were only given a simulation of it. They will have there spouses of perfect purity and will remain there timelessly, for ever. (2:25)

Say, 'Anyone who is the enemy of Gabriel should know that it was He Who brought it down upon your heart, by Allah's authority, confirming what came before, and as guidance and good news for the believers.' (2:97)

We have sent you with the Truth, bringing good

news and giving warning. Do not ask about the inhabitants of the Blazing Fire. (2:119)

We will test you with a certain amount of fear and hunger and loss of wealth and life and fruits. But give good news to the steadfast. (2:155)

Mankind was a single community. Then Allah sent out Prophets bringing good news and giving warning, and with them He sent down the Book with truth to decide between people regarding their differences. Only those who were given it differed about it, after the Clear Signs had come to them, envying one another. Then, by His permission, Allah guided those who believed to the truth of that about which they had differed. Allah guides whoever He wills to a straight path. (2:213)

Your women are fertile fields for you, so come to your fertile fields however you like. Send good ahead for yourselves and have fear of Allah. Know that you are going to meet Him. And give good news to the believers. (2:223)

As for those who reject Allah's Signs, and kill the Prophets without any right to do so, and kill those who command justice, give them news of a painful punishment. (3:21)

The angels called out to him while he (Zakariyya) was standing in prayer in the Upper Room: 'Allah gives you the good news of Yahya, who will come to confirm a Word from Allah, and will be a leader and a celibate, a Prophet and one of the righteous.' (3:39)

This is news from the Unseen which We reveal to you. You were not with them when they cast their reeds to see which of them would be the guardian of Maryam. You were not with them when they quarrelled. (3:44)

When the angels said, 'Maryam, your Lord gives you good news of a Word from Him. His name is the Messiah, 'Isa, son of Maryam, of high esteem in this world and the hereafter, and one of those brought near. (3:45)

Allah only did this for it to be good news for you and so that your hearts might be set at rest by it (help comes from no one but Allah, the Almighty, the All-Wise). (3:126)

When news of any matter reaches them they spread it about, whether it is of a reassuring or

disquieting nature. If they had only referred it to the Messenger and those in command among them, those among them able to discern the truth about it would have had proper knowledge of it. If it were not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, all but a very few of you would have followed Satan. (4:83)

Give news to the hypocrites that they will have a painful punishment. (4:138)

Messengers bringing good news and giving warning, so that people will have no argument against Allah after the coming of the Messengers. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (4:165)

People of the Book! Our Messenger has come to you, making things clear to you, after a period with no Messengers, lest you should say, 'No one came to us bringing good news or warning.' Someone has come to you bringing good news and a warning. Allah has power over all things. (5:19)

They deny the truth each time it comes to them but news of what they were mocking will certainly reach them. (6:5)

Messengers before you were also denied but they were steadfast in the face of the denial and injury they suffered until Our help arrived. There is no changing the Words of Allah. And news of other Messengers has come to you. (6:34)

We do not send the Messengers except to bring good news and to give warning. As for those who believe and put things right, they will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (6:48)

It is He Who sends out the winds, bringing advance news of His mercy, so that when they have lifted up the heavy clouds, We dispatch them to a dead land and send down water to it, by means of which We bring forth all kinds of fruit. In the same way We will bring forth the dead, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (7:57)

These cities—We have given you news of them. Their Messengers came to them with Clear Signs, but they were never going to believe in what they had previously rejected. That is how Allah seals up the hearts of the disbelievers. (7:101)

Say: 'I possess no power to help or harm myself, except as Allah wills. If I had had knowledge of the Unseen, I would have sought to gain much

good and no evil would have touched me. I am only a warner and a bringer of good news to people who believe.' (7:188)

Allah only did this to give you good news and that so your hearts would be at rest. Victory comes from no one but Allah. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (8:10)

A proclamation from Allah and His Messenger to mankind on the day of the greater pilgrimage: 'Allah is free of the idolaters, as is His Messenger. If you repent, it will be better for you. But if you turn your backs, know that you cannot thwart Allah.' Give those who disbelieve the news of a painful punishment. (9:3)

Their Lord gives them the good news of His mercy and good pleasure and Gardens where they will enjoy everlasting delight. (9:21)

You who believe! Many of the rabbis and monks devour people's property under false pretences and bar people from access to the Way of Allah. As for those who hoard up gold and silver and do not spend it in the Way of Allah, give them the news of a painful punishment. (9:34)

Has the news of those who came before them not reached them, the people of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud, and the people of Ibrahim and the inhabitants of Madyan and the overturned cities? Their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (9:70)

Those who repent, those who worship, those who praise, those who fast, those who bow, those who prostrate, those who command the right, those who forbid the wrong, those who preserve the limits of Allah: give good news to the believers. (9:112)

Do people find it so surprising that We should reveal to a man among them: 'Warn mankind and give good news to those who believe that they are on a sure footing with their Lord'? The disbelievers say, 'This is downright magic!' (10:2)

There is good news for them (the believers) in the life of this world and in the hereafter. There is no changing the words of Allah. That is the great victory! (10:64)

We revealed to Musa and his brother: 'Settle your people in houses in Egypt and make your houses

places of worship and perform prayer and give good news to the believers.' (10:87)

'Do not worship anyone but Allah! I am a warner and bringer of good news to you from Him.' (11:2)

That is some of the news of the Unseen which We reveal to you. Neither you nor your people knew it before this time. So be steadfast. The best end result is for those who guard against evil. (11:49)

Our messengers brought the good news to Ibrahim. They said, 'Peace!' and he too said, 'Peace!' and brought in a roasted calf without delay. (11:69)

His wife was standing there and she laughed out loud. So We gave her the good news of Ishaq, and beyond Ishaq, Ya'qub. (11:71)

When the feeling of fear left Ibrahim, and the good news reached him, he disputed with Us about the people of Lut. (11:74)

That is some of the news of the cities which We relate to you. Some of them are still standing, while others are now just stubble. (11:100)

We have given you all this news about the Messengers so We can make your heart firm by means of it. The truth has come to you in this and an admonishment and reminder to the believers. (11:120)

Some travellers came that way and then dispatched their water-drawer who let his bucket down. He said, 'Good news for me, I've found a boy!' They then hid him (Yusuf) away among their goods. Allah knew very well what they were doing. (12:19)

(Yusuf's father said,) 'My sons! Seek news of Yusuf and his brother. Do not despair of solace from Allah. No one despairs of solace from Allah except for people who are disbelievers.' (12:87)

But when the bringer of the good news came, he cast it (Yusuf's shirt) on his face and sight returned. He (Yusuf's father) said, 'Did I not say to you before, I know things from Allah you do not know?' (12:96)

This is news of the Unseen which We reveal to you. You were not with them when they decided what to do and devised their scheme. (12:102)

Has news not reached you of those who came

before you, the peoples of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud, and those who came after them who are known to no one but Allah? Their Messengers came to them with Clear Signs, but they put their hands to their mouths, saying, 'We reject what you have been sent with. We have grave doubts about what you are calling us to.' (14:9)

They said, 'Do not be afraid. We bring you the good news of a boy of great knowledge.' (15:53)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'Do you bring me this good news despite the fact of old age having reached me? What kind of good news are you bringing me?' (15:54)

They said, 'We bring you good news of the truth, so do not be among those who despair.' (15:55)

The people of the city came, exulting at the news. (15:67)

When one of them is given the good news of a baby girl, his face darkens and he is furious. (16:58)

He hides away from people because of the evil of the good news he has been given. Should he keep her ignominiously or bury her in the earth? What an evil judgement they make! (16:59)

On that Day We will raise up among every community a witness against them from amongst themselves, and bring you as a witness against them. We have sent down the Book to you making all things clear and as guidance and mercy and good news for the Muslims. (16:89)

Say: 'The Purest Spirit has brought it down from your Lord with truth, to make those who believe firm, and as guidance and good news for the Muslims.' (16:102)

This Qur'an guides to the most upright Way and gives good news to the believers who do right actions that they will have a large reward. (17:9)

We have sent it down with truth and with truth it has come down. We only sent you to bring good news and to give warning. (17:105)

It is straight, to warn of violent force direct from Him, and to give the good news to the believers, those who do right actions, that for them there is an excellent reward. (18:2)

We only send the Messengers to bring good news and to give warning. Those who disbelieve use fallacious arguments to deny the truth. They

make a mockery of My Signs and also of the warning they were given. (18:56)

(His Lord said,) 'Zakariyya! We give you the good news of a boy named Yahya, a name we have given to no one else before.' (19:7)

We have made it easy on your tongue so that you can give good news to those who guard against evil and warn stubbornly hostile people by it. (19:97)

In this way We give you news of what has gone before and We have given you a reminder direct from Us. (20:99)

We have appointed a rite of sacrifice for every nation so that they may invoke Allah's name over the livestock He has given them. Your God is One God so submit to Him. Give good news to the humble-hearted. (22:34)

Their flesh and blood does not reach Allah but your heedfulness does reach Him. In this way He has subjected them to you so that you might proclaim Allah's greatness for the way that He has guided you. Give good news to the good-doers. (22:37)

On the Day they see the angels, there will be no good news that Day for the evildoers. They will say, 'There is an absolute ban.' (25:22)

It is He Who sends out the winds, bringing advance news of His mercy. And We send down from heaven pure water. (25:48)

We sent you only to bring good news and to give warning. (25:56)

They have denied the truth, but the news of what they mocked will certainly come to them. (26:6) It (the Qur'an) is guidance and good news for the believers. (27:2)

When Musa said to his people, 'I can make out a fire. I will bring you news from it or at least a burning brand so that hopefully you will be able to warm yourselves.' (27:7)

He Who guides you in the darkness of land and sea and sends out the winds bringing advance news of His mercy. Is there another god besides Allah? May Allah be exalted above what they associate with Him! (27:63)

We recite to you with truth some news of Musa and Pharaoh for people who believe. (28:3)

When Musa had fulfilled the appointed term and

had set off with his family, he noticed a fire from one side of the Mount. He said to his family, 'Stay here, I can see a fire. Hopefully I will bring you back some news from it or a burning branch from the fire so that you will be able to warm yourselves.' (28:29)

Yet We produced further generations and ages passed. Nor did you live among the people of Madyan and recite Our Signs to them, yet We have sent you news of them. (28:45)

When Our messengers came with the good news to Ibrahim, they said, 'We are going to destroy the people of this city. Truly its inhabitants are wrongdoers.' (29:31)

Among His Signs is that He sends the winds bearing good news, to give you a taste of His mercy, and to make the ships run by His command, and to enable you to seek His bounty so that hopefully you will be thankful. (30:46)

When Our Signs are recited to such a person, he turns away arrogantly as if he had not heard, as if there was a great weight in his ears. So give him news of a painful punishment. (31:7)

They think that the Confederates have not departed and if the Confederates did appear then they would wish they were out in the desert with the Arabs, asking for news of you. If they were with you they would only fight a very little. (33:20)

O Prophet! We have sent you as a witness, and a bringer of good news and a warner. (33:45)

Give good news to the believers that they will receive immense favour from Allah. (33:47)

We only sent you for the whole of mankind, bringing good news and giving warning. But most of mankind do not know it. (34:28)

We have sent you with the truth bringing good news and giving warning. There is no community to which a warner has not come. (35:24)

You can only warn those who act on the Reminder and fear the All-Merciful in the Unseen. Give them the good news of forgiveness and a generous reward. (36:11)

And We gave him the good news of a forbearing boy. (37:101)

We gave him the good news of Ishaq, a Prophet, one of the righteous. (37:112)

Say: 'This (the Qur'an) is momentous news.' (38:67)

Those who shun the worship of false gods and turn towards Allah will have good news. So give good news to My servants. (39:17)

A Book whose verses have been demarcated for people who know as an Arabic Qur'an, bringing good news and giving warning; but most of them have turned away and do not hear. (41:3-4)

That is the good news which Allah gives to His servants who believe and do right actions. Say: 'I do not ask you for any wage for this—except for you to love your near of kin. If anyone does a good action, We will increase the good of it for him. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Ever-Thankful.' (42:23)

When any of them is given the good news of the very thing which he himself has ascribed to the All-Merciful his face darkens and he is furious. (43:17)

Woe to every wicked liar who hears the Signs of Allah recited to him and then persists in his arrogance just as if he had never heard them. Give him the news of a painful punishment. (45:7-8)

But before it there was the Book of Musa as a model and a mercy. And this is a corroborating Book in the Arabic tongue so that you may warn those who do wrong, and as good news for the good-doers. (46:12)

We will test you until We know the true fighters among you and those who are steadfast and test what is reported of you. (47:31)

We have sent you bearing witness, bringing good news and giving warning. (48:8)

You who believe! If a deviator brings you a report, scrutinize it carefully in case you attack people in ignorance and so come to greatly regret what you have done. (49:6)

He (Ibrahim) felt afraid of them but they said, 'Do not be afraid!' and gave him the good news of a son imbued with knowledge. (51:28)

News has come to them which contains a threat. (54:4)

On the Day you see the men and women of the believers, with their light streaming out in front of them, and to their right: 'Good news for you today of Gardens with rivers flowing under them,

remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the Great Victory.' (57:12)

And when 'Isa son of Maryam said, 'Tribe of Israel, I am the Messenger of Allah to you, confirming the Torah which came before me and giving you the good news of a Messenger after me whose name is Ahmad.' When he brought them the Clear Signs, they said, 'This is downright magic.' (61:6)

And other things you love: support from Allah and imminent victory. Give good news to the believers! (61:13)

Has the news not reached you of those who disbelieved before and tasted the evil consequences of what they did? They will have a painful punishment. (64:5)

(A band of the jinn said,) "We tried, as usual, to travel to heaven in search of news but found it filled with fierce guards and meteors." (72:8)

About what are they asking one another? About the momentous news: the thing about which they differ. (78:1-3)

Give them the news of a painful punishment. (84:24)

Has news of the Overwhelmer reached you? (88:1)

On that Day it (the earth) will impart all its news. (99:4)

## NICHE

Allah is the Light of the heavens and the earth. The metaphor of His Light is that of a niche in which is a lamp, the lamp inside a glass, the glass like a brilliant star, lit from a blessed tree, an olive, neither of the east nor of the west, its oil all but giving off light even if no fire touches it. Light upon Light. Allah guides to His Light whoever He wills and Allah makes metaphors for mankind and Allah has knowledge of all things. (24:35)

## NICKNAME

You who believe! People should not ridicule others who may be better than themselves; nor should any women ridicule other women who may be better than themselves. And do not find fault with one another or insult each other with derogatory nicknames. How evil it is to have a

name for evil conduct after coming to faith! Those people who do not turn from it are wrongdoers. (49:11)

## NIGHT

And when We allotted to Musa forty nights. Then you adopted the Calf when he had gone and you were wrongdoers. (2:51)

In the creation of the heavens and earth, and the alternation of the night and day, and the ships which sail the seas to people's benefit, and the water which Allah sends down from the sky--by which He brings the earth to life when it was dead and scatters about in it creatures of every kind--and the varying direction of the winds, and the clouds subservient between heaven and earth, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (2:164)

On the night of the fast it is lawful for you to have sexual relations with your wives. They are clothing for you and you for them. Allah knows that you have been betraying yourselves and He has turned towards you and excused you. Now you may have sexual intercourse with them and seek what Allah has written for you. Eat and drink until you can clearly discern the white thread from the black thread of the dawn, then fulfil the fast until the night appears. But do not have sexual intercourse with them while you are in retreat in the mosques. These are Allah's limits, so do not go near them. In this way does Allah make His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (2:187)

Those of you who die leaving wives behind: they should wait by themselves for four months and ten nights. When their waiting period comes to an end, you are not to blame for anything they do with themselves with correctness and courtesy. Allah is aware of what you do. (2:234)

Those who give away their wealth by night and day, secretly and openly, will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:274)

(Say, 'O Allah!) You merge the night into the day. You merge the day into the night. You bring out the living from the dead. You bring out the dead from the living. You provide for whoever You will

without any reckoning.' (3:27)

They are not all the same. There is a community among the People of the Book who are upright. They recite Allah's Signs throughout the night, and they prostrate. (3:13)

In the creation of the heavens and the earth, and the alternation of night and day, there are Signs for people with intelligence. (3:190)

They have the word, 'Obedience!' on their tongues but when they leave your presence, a group of them spend the night plotting to do other than what you say. Allah is recording their nocturnal plotting. So let them be and put your trust in Allah. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:81) They try to conceal themselves from people, but they cannot conceal themselves from Allah. He is with them when they spend the night saying things which are not pleasing to Him. Allah encompasses everything they do. (4:108)

All that inhabits the night and the day belongs to Him. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing. (6:13)

Say: 'What do you think? If Allah's punishment were to come upon you suddenly by night or openly by day, would any but the wrongdoing people be destroyed?' (6:47)

It is He Who takes you back to Himself at night, while knowing the things you perpetrate by day, and then wakes you up again, so that a specified term may be fulfilled. Then you will return to Him. Then He will inform you about what you did. (6:60)

When night covered him he (Ibrahim) saw a star and said, 'This is my Lord!' Then when it set he said, 'I do not love what sets.' (6:76)

It is He Who splits the sky at dawn, and appoints the night as a time of stillness and the sun and moon as a means of reckoning. That is what the Almighty, the All-Knowing has ordained. (6:96)

How many cities We have destroyed! Our violent force came down on them during the night, or while they were asleep during the day. (7:4)

Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then settled Himself firmly on the Throne. He covers the day with the night, each pursuing the other urgently; and the sun and moon and stars are subservient to His

command. Both creation and command belong to Him. Blessed be Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (7:54)

Do the people of the cities feel secure against Our violent force coming down on them in the night while they are asleep? (7:97)

We set aside thirty nights for Musa and then completed them with ten, so the appointed time of his Lord was forty nights in all. Musa said to his brother Harun, 'Take my place among my people. Keep order and do not follow the way of the corrupters.' (7:142)

In the alternation of night and day and what Allah has created in the heavens and the earth there are Signs for people who guard against evil. (10:6)

The metaphor of the life of this world is that of water which We send down from the sky, and which then mingles with the plants of the earth to provide food for both people and animals. Then, when the earth is at its loveliest and takes on its fairest guise and its people think they have it under their control, Our command comes upon it by night or day and We reduce it to dried-out stubble, as though it had not been flourishing just the day before! In this way We make Our Signs clear for people who reflect. (10:24)

But as for those who have earned bad actions—a bad action will be repaid with one like of it. Debasement will darken them. They will have no one to protect them from Allah. It is as if their faces were covered by dark patches of the night. Those are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (10:27)

Say: 'What do you think? If His punishment came upon you by night or day, what part of it would the evildoers then try to hasten?' (10:50)

It is He Who appointed the night for you, so that you could rest in it, and the day for seeing. There are certainly Signs in that for people who listen. (10:67)

They said, 'Lut, we are messengers from your Lord. They will not be able to get at you. Set out with your family—except for your wife—in the middle of the night and none of you should look back. What strikes them will strike her as well. Their promised appointment is the morning. Is

the morning not close at hand?' (11:81)  
Perform prayer at each end of the day and in the first part of the night. Good actions eradicate bad actions. This is a reminder for people who pay heed. (11:14)

It is He Who stretched out the earth and placed firmly embedded mountains and rivers in it and made two types of every kind of fruit. He covers over day with night. There are Signs in that for people who reflect. (13:3)

It makes no difference whether you keep secret what you say or voice it out loud, whether you hide in the night or go out in the day. (13:10)  
And He has made the sun and moon subservient to you holding steady to their courses, and He has made the night and day subservient to you. (14:33)

(Messengers said to Lut,) 'Travel with your family in the dead of night, following behind with them in front of you. None of you must look back. Go where you are ordered to.' (15:65)

He has made night and day subservient to you, and the sun and moon and stars, all subject to His command. There are certainly Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (16:12)

Glory be to Him Who took His servant on a journey by night from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) to the Further Mosque (Masjid al-Aqsa), whose surroundings We have blessed, in order to show him some of Our Signs. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Seeing. (17:1)

We made the night and day two Signs. We blotted out the Sign of the night and made the Sign of the day a time for seeing so that you can seek favour from your Lord and will know the number of years and the reckoning of time. We have made all things very clear. (17:12)

Perform prayer from the time the sun declines until the darkening of the night, and also the recitation at dawn. The dawn recitation is certainly witnessed. (17:78)

And stay awake for prayer during part of the night as a supererogatory action for yourself. It may well be that your Lord will raise you to a Praiseworthy Station. (17:79)

He (Zakariyya) said, 'My Lord, give me a Sign.' He said, 'Your Sign is not to speak to people for

three nights despite the fact that you are perfectly able to.' (19:10)

They will not hear any prattling there—nothing but 'Peace'. They will receive their provision there morning and night. (19:62)

We revealed to Musa, 'Travel with My servants by night. Strike a dry path for them through the sea. Have no fear of being overtaken and do not be afraid.' (20:77)

So be steadfast in the face of what they say and glorify your Lord with praise before the rising of the sun and before its setting. And glorify Him during part of the night and at both ends of the day, so that hopefully you will be pleased. (20:130)

They glorify Him by night and day, without ever flagging. (21:20)

It is He Who created night and day and the sun and moon, each one swimming in a sphere. (21:33)

Say: 'Who will protect you night and day from the All-Merciful?' Yet they turn away from the remembrance of their Lord. (21:42)

And Dawud and Sulayman when they gave judgement about the field, when the people's sheep strayed into it at night. We were Witness to their judgement. (21:78)

That is because Allah merges night into day and merges day into night and because Allah is All-Hearing, All-Seeing. (22:61)

(The affluent will be told,) 'My Signs were recited to you and you turned round on your heels, arrogant towards it, talking arrant nonsense all night long.' (23:66-67)

It is He Who gives life and causes to die and His is the alternation of the night and day. So will you not use your intellect? (23:80)

Allah revolves night and day. There is surely a lesson in that for people with inner sight. (24:44)

It is He Who made the night a cloak for you and sleep a rest, and He made the day a time for rising. (25:47)

It is He Who made night and day succeed each other for those who want to pay heed or to give thanks. (25:62)

(The servants of the All-Merciful are) those who pass the night prostrating and standing before

their Lord; (25:64)

We revealed to Musa: 'Travel with Our servants by night. You will certainly be pursued.' (26:52) They said, 'Let us make an oath to one another by Allah that we will fall on him and his family in the night and then say to his protector, "We did not witness the destruction of his family and we are telling the truth.'" (27:49)

Do they not see that We have made the night for them to rest in and the day for seeing? There are certainly Signs in that for people who believe. (27:86)

Say: 'What do you think? If Allah made it permanent night for you till the Day of Rising, what god is there other than Allah to bring you light? Do you not then hear?' (28:71)

Say: 'What do you think? If Allah made it permanent day for you till the Day of Rising, what god is there other than Allah to bring you night to rest in? Do you not then see?' (28:72)

But part of His mercy is that He has made both night and day for you so that you can have your rest and seek His bounty, and so that hopefully you will be thankful. (28:73)

So glory be to Allah when you start the night and when you greet the day. (30:17)

Among His Signs is your sleep by night and day and your seeking after His bounty. There are certainly Signs in that for people who hear. (30:23) Do you not see that Allah makes night merge into day and day merge into night, and that He has made the sun and moon subservient, each one running for a specified time, and that Allah is aware of what you do? (31:29)

We placed between them and the cities We had blessed other clearly conspicuous cities, making them measured stages on the way: 'Travel between them in safety by night and day.' (34:18)

Those deemed weak will say to those deemed great, 'No, it was your scheming night and day when you commanded us to reject Allah and assign equals to Him.' But they will show their remorse when they see the punishment. We will put iron collars round the necks of those who disbelieve. Will they be repaid for anything but what they did? (34:33)

He makes night merge into day and day merge

into night, and He has made the sun and moon subservient, each one running until a specified time. That is Allah, your Lord. The Kingdom is His. Those you call on besides Him have no power over even the smallest speck. (35:13)

A Sign for them is the night: We peel the day away from it and there they are in darkness. (36:37)

It is not for the sun to overtake the moon nor for the night to outstrip the day; each one is swimming in a sphere. (36:40)

And you pass by them in the daytime and at night. So will you not use your intellect? (37:137-138)

He created the heavens and the earth with truth. He wraps the night around the day and wraps the day around the night, and has made the sun and moon subservient, each one running for a specified term. Is He not indeed the Almighty, the Endlessly Forgiving? (39:5)

What of him who spends the night hours in prayer, prostrating and standing up, mindful of the hereafter, hoping for the mercy of his Lord? Say: 'Are they the same--those who know and those who do not know?' It is only people of intelligence who pay heed. (39:9)

The Fire, morning and night, to which they are exposed; and on the Day the Hour takes place: 'Admit Pharaoh's people to the harshest punishment!' (40:46)

Allah is He Who appointed the night for you so that you might rest in it, and the day for seeing. Allah pours out His favour on mankind but most people do not show thanks. (40:61)

Among His Signs are the night and day and the sun and moon. Do not prostrate to the sun nor to the moon. Prostrate to Allah Who created them, if you worship Him. (41:37)

If they grow arrogant, those who are with your Lord glorify Him night and day and never grow tired. (41:38)

We sent it down on a blessed night; We are constantly giving warning. (44:3)

(We said to Musa,) 'Set out with My servants by night. You will certainly be pursued.' (44:23)

And in the alternation of night and day and the provision Allah sends down from the sky, bring-

ing the earth to life by it after it has died, and the varying direction of the winds, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (45:5)

And glorify Him during the night and after you have prostrated. (50:40)

The part of the night they spent asleep was small. (51:17)

And glorify Him in the night and when the stars fade out. (52:49)

He makes night merge into day and day merge into night. He knows what the heart contains. (57:6)

Allah subjected them to it for seven whole nights and eight whole days without a break. You could see the people flattened in their homes just like the hollow stumps of uprooted palms. (69:7)

He (Nuh) said, 'My Lord, I have called my people night and day.' (71:5)

You who are enwrapped in your clothing! Stay up at night, except a little, half of it, or a little less, or a little more, and recite the Qur'an distinctly. (73:1-4)

Certainly rising at night has a stronger effect and is more conducive to concentration. (73:6)

Your Lord knows that you stay up nearly two-thirds of the night—or half of it, or a third of it—and a group of those with you. Allah determines the night and day. He knows you will not keep count of it, so He has turned towards you. Recite as much of the Qur'an as is easy for you. He knows that some of you are ill and that others are travelling in the land seeking Allah's bounty, and that others are fighting in the Way of Allah. So recite as much of it as is easy for you. And perform prayer and give the alms and lend a generous loan to Allah. Whatever good you send ahead for yourselves you will find it with Allah as something better and as a greater reward. And seek forgiveness from Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (73:20)

And (I swear by) the night when it withdraws. (74:33)

Prostrate to Him during the night and glorify Him throughout the long night. (76:26)

We made the night a cloak. (78:10)

He darkened its night and brought forth its morning light. (79:29)

and by the night when it draws in, (81:17)

and the night and all it shrouds, (84:17)

By Heaven and the Night-Comer! (86:1)

And what will convey to you what the Night-Comer is? (86:2)

And (I swear by) ten nights. (89:2)

And (I swear by) the night when it travels on. (89:4)

And (I swear by) the night when it conceals it. (91:4)

(I swear) by the night when it conceals. (92:1)

And (I swear by) the night when it is still... (93:2)

Truly We sent it down on the Night of Power. And what will convey to you what the Night of Power is? The Night of Power is better than a thousand months. (97:1-3)

## NIGHT OF POWER

### (LAILAT UL-QADR)

Truly We sent it down on the Night of Power. (97:1)

And what will convey to you what the Night of Power is? (97:2)

The Night of Power is better than a thousand months. (97:3)

In it the angels and the Spirit descend by their Lord's authority with every ordinance. (97:4)

It is Peace—until the coming of the dawn. (97:5)

## NIGHT-COMER

By Heaven and the Night-Comer! And what will convey to you what the Night-Comer is? (86:1-2)

## NOAH (SEE NUH (AS))

## NOON

You who believe! Those you own as slaves and those of you who have not yet reached puberty should ask your permission to enter at three times: before the Dawn Prayer, when you have undressed at noon, and after the Prayer of Night—three times of nakedness for you. There is nothing wrong for you or them at other times in moving around among yourselves from one to another. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (24:58)

Praise be to Him in the heavens and the earth, in

the afternoon and when you reach midday. (30:18)

### **NOT WASTING TIME**

So when you have finished, work on. (94:7)

### **NUH (AS) (NOAH)**

We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh and the Prophets who came after him. And We revealed to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and 'Isa and Ayyub and Yunus and Harun and Sulayman. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (4:163)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, each of whom We guided. And before him We had guided Nuh. And among his descendants were Dawud and Sulayman, and Ayyub, Yusuf, Musa and Harun. That is how We recompense the good-doers. (6:84)

We sent Nuh to his people and he said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. I fear for you the punishment of a dreadful Day.' The ruling circle of his people said, 'We see you in flagrant error.' He said, 'My people, I am not in error at all but rather am a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds, transmitting my Lord's Message to you and giving you good counsel, and I know from Allah what you do not know. Or are you astonished that a reminder should come to you from your Lord by way of a man among you, to warn you and make you guard against evil so that hopefully you will gain mercy?' But they denied him so We rescued him and those with him in the Ark. And We drowned the people who denied Our Signs. They were a blind people. (7:59-64)

(Hud said,) 'Or are you astonished that a reminder should come to you from your Lord by way of a man among you in order to warn you? Remember when He appointed you successors to the people of Nuh, and increased you greatly in stature. Remember Allah's blessings, so that hopefully you will be successful.' (7:69)

Has the news of those who came before them not reached them, the people of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud, and the people of Ibrahim and the inhabitants of Madyan and the overturned cities?

Their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (9:70)

Recite to them the story of Nuh when he said to his people, 'My people, if my standing here and reminding you of Allah's Signs has become too much for you to bear, know that I have put my trust in Allah. So decide, you and your gods, on what you want to do and be open about it. Do with me whatever you decide and do not keep me waiting. If you turn your backs, I have not asked you for any wage. My wage is the responsibility of Allah alone. I am commanded to be one of the Muslims.' But they denied him so We rescued him, and all those with him, in the Ark and We made them the successors and We drowned the people who denied Our Signs. See the final fate of those who were warned! (10:71-73)

We sent Nuh to his people: 'I am a clear warner to you. Worship none but Allah. I fear for you the punishment of a painful day.' The ruling circle of those of his people who disbelieved said, 'We do not see you as anything but a human being like ourselves. We do not see anyone following you but the lowest of us, unthinkingly. We do not see you as superior to us. On the contrary, we consider you to be liars.' He said, 'My people! What do you think? If I were to have clear evidence from my Lord and He had given me a mercy direct from Him, but you were blind to it, could we force it on you if you were unwilling? My people! I do not ask you for any wealth for it. My wage is the responsibility of Allah alone. I will not chase away those who believe. They are surely going to meet their Lord. However, I see you as ignorant people. My people! Who would help me against Allah if I did drive them away? So will you not pay heed? I do not say to you that I possess the treasures of Allah; nor do I know the Unseen; nor do I say that I am an angel; nor do I say to those who are vile in your eyes that Allah will not give them any good. Allah knows best what is in their hearts. If I did, I would certainly be one of the wrongdoers.' They said, 'Nuh, you have argued with us and argued much so bring us what you have promised us if you are telling the truth.' He said, 'Allah will bring it to you if He wills and

you will not be able to prevent it. My counsel will not benefit you, for all my desire to counsel you, if Allah desires to lead you into error. He is your Lord and you will return to Him.' Or do they say, 'He has invented it?' Say: 'If I have invented it the crime will be laid at my door, but I am innocent of the crimes which you commit.' It was revealed to Nuh: 'None of your people are going to believe except for those who already believe, so do not be distressed at what they do. Build the Ark under Our supervision and as We reveal and do not address Me concerning the wrongdoers. They shall be drowned.' He began to build the Ark and every time some nobles of his people passed him by, they ridiculed him. He said, 'Though you ridicule us now, we will certainly ridicule you as you do us. You will soon know who will receive a punishment which disgraces him and find unleashed against himself an everlasting punishment.' So when Our command came, and water bubbled up from the earth, We said, 'Load into it a pair of every species, and your family—except for those against whom the Word was preordained—and all who believe.' But those who believed with him were only few. He said, 'Embark in it. In the name of Allah be its voyage and its landing! Truly my Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' It sailed with them through mountainous waves, and Nuh called out to his son, who had kept himself apart, 'My son! Come on board with us. Do not stay with the disbelievers!' He said, 'I will take refuge on a mountain; It will protect me from the flood.' He said, 'There is no protection from Allah's command today except for those He has mercy on.' The waves surged in between them and he was among the drowned. It was said, 'Earth, swallow up your water!' and, 'Heaven, hold back your rain!' And the water subsided and the affair was concluded and the Ark came to land on al-Judi. And it was said, 'Away with the people of the wrongdoers!' Nuh called out to his Lord and said, 'My Lord, my son is one of my family and Your promise is surely the truth and You are the Justest of Judges.' He said, 'Nuh, he is definitely not of your family. He is someone whose action was not righteous. Do not, therefore, ask Me for

something about which you have no knowledge. I admonish you lest you should be among the ignorant.' He said, 'My Lord, I seek refuge with You from asking You for anything about which I have no knowledge. If You do not forgive me and have mercy on me, I will be among the lost.' It was said, 'Nuh, descend with peace from Us and with blessings on you and on the nations which will issue from those who are with you. But there are nations to whom we will give enjoyment and then a painful punishment from Us will afflict them.' That is some of the news of the Unseen which We reveal to you. Neither you nor your people knew it before this time. So be steadfast. The best end result is for those who guard against evil. (11:25-49)

(Shu'ayb said,) 'My people! Do not let your breach with me provoke you into doing wrong so that the same thing happens to you as happened to the people of Nuh and the people of Hud and the people of Salih; and the people of Lut are not far distant from you.' (11:89)

Has news not reached you of those who came before you, the peoples of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud, and those who came after them who are known to no one but Allah? Their Messengers came to them with Clear Signs, but they put their hands to their mouths, saying, 'We reject what you have been sent with. We have grave doubts about what you are calling us to.' (14:9)

Descendants of those We carried with Nuh. He was a grateful servant. (17:3)

How many generations We destroyed after Nuh! Your Lord is well able to be aware of and see the wrong actions of His servants! (17:17)

Those are some of the Prophets Allah has blessed, from the descendants of Adam and from those We carried with Nuh, and from the descendants of Ibrahim and Isra'il and from those We guided and chose. When the Signs of the All-Merciful were recited to them they fell on their faces, weeping, in prostration. (19:58)

And Nuh, when he called out before and We responded to him and rescued him and his family from the terrible plight. We helped him against the people who rejected Our Signs. They were an evil people and We drowned them, every

one. (21:76-77)

If they deny you, the people of Nuh before them denied him and those of 'Ad and of Thamud. (22:42)

We sent Nuh to his people and he said, 'My people, worship Allah. You have no god other than Him. So will you not guard against evil?' The ruling circle of those of his people who disbelieved said, 'This is nothing but a human being like yourselves who simply wants to gain ascendancy over you. If Allah had wanted He would have sent angels down. We never heard of anything like this among our ancestors, the earlier peoples. He is nothing but a man possessed so wait a while and see what happens to him.' He said, 'My Lord, help me because of their calling me a liar!' We revealed to him: 'Build the Ship under Our supervision and as We reveal. When Our command comes and water bubbles up from the earth, load into it a pair of every species, and your family—except for those among them against whom the word has already gone ahead. And do not address Me concerning those who do wrong. They shall be drowned. When you and those with you are settled in the Ship, then say: "Praise be to Allah Who has rescued us from the people of the wrongdoers!" And say: "My Lord, land me in a blessed landing-place. You are the best Bringer to Land." There are Signs in that. We are always putting people to the test. (23:23-30)

And when the people of Nuh denied the Messengers, We drowned them and made them a Sign for all mankind. We have prepared a painful punishment for the wrongdoers. (25:37) The people of Nuh denied the Messengers. When their brother Nuh said to them, 'Will you not guard against evil? I am a faithful Messenger to you so have fear of Allah and obey me. I do not ask you for any wage for it. My wage is the responsibility of no one but the Lord of all the worlds. So have fear of Allah and obey me', they said, 'Why should we believe you when the vilest people follow you?' He said, 'What do I know about what they have been doing? Their reckoning is the concern of my Lord alone if you were but aware. I am not going to chase away the believers, I am only a clear warner.' They

said, 'Nuh, if you do not desist you will be stoned.' He said, 'My Lord, my people have denied me so make a clear judgement between me and them and rescue me and the believers who are with me.' So We rescued him and those with him in the loaded ship. Then afterwards We drowned the rest. There is certainly a Sign in that, yet most of them are not believers. (26:105-121) We sent Nuh to his people and he remained among them for fifty short of a thousand years; yet the Flood engulfed them while they were wrongdoers. We rescued him and the occupants of the Ark and made that into a Sign for all the worlds. (29:14-15)

When We made a covenant with all the Prophets—with you and with Nuh and Ibrahim and Musa and 'Isa son of Maryam—We made a binding covenant with them. (33:7)

Nuh called out to Us and what an excellent Responder We are! We rescued him and his family from the terrible plight and made his descendants the survivors; and We left the later people to say of him: 'Peace be upon Nuh among all beings!' That is how we recompense the good-doers. He truly was one of Our servants who are believers. Then We drowned the rest. One of his followers in faith was Ibrahim. (37:75-83)

The people of Nuh denied the truth before them, and the Confederates after them. Every nation planned to seize its Messenger and used false arguments to rebut the truth. So I seized them, and how was My retribution! (40:5)

The man who believed said, 'My people! I fear for you a day like that of the Confederates, the same as happened to the people of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud and those who followed after them. Allah does not want any injustice for His servants.' (40:30-31)

He has laid down the same religion for you as He enjoined on Nuh: that which We have revealed to you and which We enjoined on Ibrahim, Musa and 'Isa: 'Establish the religion and do not make divisions in it.' What you call the idolaters to follow is very hard for them. Allah chooses for Himself anyone He wills and guides to Himself those who turn to Him. (42:13)

Before them the people of Nuh also denied the

truth and the Companions of Rass and Thamud. (50:12)

And the people of Nuh before, they were a people of deviators. (51:46)

And the people of Nuh before—they were most unjust and exorbitant. (53:52)

Before them the people of Nuh denied the truth. They denied Our servant, saying, 'He is madman,' and he was driven away with jeers. He called upon his Lord: 'I am overwhelmed, so help me!' So We opened the gates of heaven with torrential water and made the earth burst forth with gushing springs. And the waters met together in a way which was decreed. We bore him on a planked and well-caulked ship, which ran before Our eyes—a reward for him who had been rejected. We left it as a Sign. But is there any rememberer there? How terrible were My punishment and warnings! (54:9-16)

We sent Nuh and Ibrahim and placed Prophethood and the Book among their descendants. Some of them are guided but many of them are deviators. (57:26)

Allah has made an example for those who disbelieve: the wife of Nuh and the wife of Lut. They were married to two of Our servants who were righteous but they betrayed them and were not helped at all against Allah. They were told, 'Enter the Fire along with all who enter it.' (66:10)

We sent Nuh to his people: 'Warn your people before a painful punishment comes to them.' He said, 'My people, I am a clear warner to you. Worship Allah, have fear of Him and obey me. He will forgive you your wrong actions and defer you until a specified time. When Allah's time comes it cannot be deferred, if you only knew.' He said, 'My Lord, I have called my people night and day but my calling has only made them more evasive. Indeed, every time I called them to Your forgiveness, they put their fingers in their ears, wrapped themselves up in their clothes and were overweeningly arrogant. Then I called them openly. Then I addressed them publicly and addressed them privately. I said, "Ask forgiveness of your Lord. Truly He is Endlessly Forgiving. He will send heaven down on you in abundant rain and reinforce you with more wealth and sons,

and grant you gardens and grant you waterways. What is the matter with you that you do not hope for honour from Allah, when He created you by successive stages? Do you not see how He created seven heavens in layers, and placed the moon as a light in them and made the sun a blazing lamp? Allah caused you to grow from the earth then will return you to it and bring you out again. Allah has spread the earth out as a carpet for you so that you could use its wide valleys as roadways.'" Nuh said, 'My Lord, they have disobeyed me and followed those whose wealth and children have only increased them in loss. They have hatched a mighty plot saying, "Do not abandon your gods. Do not abandon Wadd or Suwa' or Yaghuth or Ya'uq or Nasr. They have misguided many people. Do not increase the wrongdoers in anything but misguidance!" Because of their errors they were drowned and put into the Fire. They found no one to help them besides Allah. Nuh said, 'My Lord! Do not leave a single one of the disbelievers on earth! If You leave any they will misguide Your servants and spawn nothing but more dissolute disbelievers. My Lord! Forgive me and my parents and all who enter my house as believers, and all the men and women of the believers. But do not increase the wrongdoers except in ruin!' (71:1-28)

## NURSING

Mothers should nurse their children for two full years—those who wish to complete the full term of nursing. It is the duty of the fathers to feed and clothe them with correctness and courtesy—no self is charged with more than it can bear. No mother should be put under pressure in respect of her child nor any father in respect of his child. The same duty is incumbent on the heir. If the couple both wish weaning to take place after mutual agreement and consultation, there is nothing wrong in their doing that. If you wish to find wet-nurses for your children, there is nothing wrong in your doing that provided you hand over to them what you have agreed to give with correctness and courtesy. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah sees what you do. (2:233)

On the day they see it, every nursing woman will

be oblivious of the baby at her breast, and every pregnant woman will abort the contents of her womb, and you will think people drunk when they are not drunk; it is just that the punishment of Allah is so severe. (22:2)

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## OATH

Do not, by your oaths, make Allah a pretext to avoid good action and guarding against evil and putting things right between people. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (2:24)

Allah will not take you to task for inadvertent statements in your oaths, but He will take you to task for the intention your hearts have made. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (2:25)

Those who swear to abstain from sexual relations with their wives can wait for a period of up to four months. If they then retract their oath, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:26)

Those who sell Allah's contract and their own oaths for a paltry price, such people will have no portion in the hereafter and on the Day of Rising Allah will not speak to them or look at them or purify them. They will have a painful punishment. (3:77)

Those who believe say, 'Are these the people who swore by Allah, with their most earnest oaths, that they were with you?' Their actions have come to nothing and they now are losers. (5:53)

Allah does not take you to task for your inadvertent oaths, but He will take you to task for oaths you make intentionally. The expiation in that case is to feed ten poor people with the average amount you feed your family, or clothe them, or free a slave. Anyone without the means to do so should fast three days. That is the expiation for breaking oaths when you have sworn them. Keep your oaths. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:89)

You who believe! When one of you is near to death and makes a will, two just men from among you should act as witnesses; or, if you are travelling when the misfortune of death occurs, two men who are strangers to you. You should detain them after prayer and, if you are doubtful, they should swear by Allah: 'We will not sell it for any price, even to a near relative, and we will not conceal the testimony of Allah. If we did we would indeed be wrongdoers.' If it then comes to

light that the two of them have merited the allegation of wrongdoing, two others who have the most right to do so should take their place and swear by Allah: 'Our testimony is truer than their testimony. We have not committed perjury. If we had we would indeed be wrongdoers.' That makes it more likely that they will give their evidence properly or be afraid that their oaths will be refuted by subsequent oaths. Have fear of Allah and listen carefully. Allah does not guide deviant people. (5:106-108)

They have sworn by Allah with their most earnest oaths that if a Sign comes to them they will believe in it. Say: 'The Signs are in Allah's control alone.' What will make you realise that even if a Sign did come, they would still not believe? (6:109)

If they break their oaths after making their treaty and defame your religion, then fight the leaders of disbelief—they have no binding oaths—so that hopefully they will stop. (9:12)

Will you not fight a people who have broken their oaths and resolved to expel the Messenger, and who initiated hostilities against you in the first place? Is it them you fear? Allah has more right to your fear if you are believers. (9:13)

They swear by Allah with their most earnest oaths that Allah will not raise up those who die, when, on the contrary, it is a binding promise on Him; but most people do not know it. (16:38)

Be true to Allah's contract when you have agreed to it, and do not break your oaths once they are confirmed and you have made Allah your guarantee. Allah knows what you do. (16:91)

Do not be like a woman who spoils the thread she has spun by unravelling it after it is strong, by making your oaths a means of deceiving one another, merely because one community is bigger than another. Allah is only testing you by this. He will make clear to you on the Day of Rising the things about which you differed. (16:92)

Do not make your oaths a means of deceiving one another or your foot will slip after it was firmly placed and you will taste evil for barring access to the Way of Allah and you will have a terrible punishment. (16:94)

They have sworn by Allah with their most earnest

oaths that if you give them the command, they will go out. Say: 'Do not swear. Honourable obedience is enough. Allah is aware of what you do.' (24:53)

They swore by Allah with their most earnest oaths that if a warner came to them they would be better guided than any other community. But then when a warner did come to them, it only increased their aversion. (35:42)

And I swear by the falling of the stars—and that is a mighty oath if you only knew. (56:75-76)

They made their oaths into a cloak and barred the Way of Allah, so they will have a humiliating punishment. (58:16)

They have made their oaths into a cloak and barred the Way of Allah. What they have done is truly evil. (63:2)

Allah has made the expiation of your oaths obligatory for you. Allah is your Master—He is the All-Knowing, the All-Wise. (66:2)

But do not obey any vile swearer of oaths, (68:10)

Or do you have oaths which bind Us, extending to the Day of Rising, that you will have whatever you decide? (68:39)

Is there not in that an oath for the intelligent? (89:5)

## OBDURATE

The desert arabs are more obdurate in disbelief and hypocrisy and more likely not to know the limits which Allah has sent down to His Messenger. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:97)

Some of the desert Arabs around you are hypocrites and some of the people of Madina are obdurate in their hypocrisy. You do not know them but We know them. We will punish them twice over and then they will be returned to a terrible punishment. (9:101)

That was 'Ad. They denied the Signs of their Lord and disobeyed His Messengers and followed the command of every obdurate tyrant. (11:59)

They asked for Allah's victory, and every obdurate tyrant failed. (14:15)

(The Guards of Hell will be told,) 'Hurl into Hell every obdurate disbeliever.' (50:24)

No indeed! He is obdurate about Our Signs. (74:16)

## OBEDIENCE / DISOBEDIENCE TO THE MESSENGERS, AND THE OBLIGATION OF THE MESSENGERS

Say, 'Obey Allah and the Messenger.' Then if they turn away, Allah does not love the disbelievers. (3:32)

Allah fulfilled His promise to you when you were slaughtering them by His permission. But then you faltered, disputing the command, and disobeyed after He showed you what you love. Among you are those who want this world and among you are those who want the hereafter. Then He turned you from them in order to test you—but He has pardoned you. Allah shows favour to the believers. (3:152)

Allah showed great kindness to the believers when He sent a Messenger to them from among themselves to recite His Signs to them and purify them and teach them the Book and Wisdom, even though before that they were clearly misguided. (3:164)

These are Allah's limits. As for those who obey Allah and His Messenger, We will admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the Great Victory. (4:13)

As for those who disobey Allah and His Messenger and overstep His limits, We will admit them into a Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. They will have a humiliating punishment. (4:14)

Some of the Jews distort the true meaning of words, saying, 'We hear and disobey,' and 'Listen without listening,' and 'Listen to us!' twisting them with their tongues, disparaging the religion. If they had said, 'We hear and we obey,' and 'Listen,' and, 'Look at us!' that would have been better for them and more upright. But Allah has cursed them for their disbelief. Very few of them believe. (4:46)

You who believe! Obey Allah and obey the Messenger and those in command among you. If you have a dispute about something, refer it back to Allah and the Messenger, if you believe in

Allah and the Last Day. That is the best thing to do and gives the best result. (4:59)

We sent no Messenger except to be obeyed by Allah's permission. If only when they wronged themselves they had come to you and asked Allah's forgiveness and the Messenger had asked forgiveness for them they would have found Allah Ever-Returning, Most Merciful. (4:64)

No, by your Lord, they are not believers until they make you their judge in the disputes that break out between them, and then find no resistance within themselves to what you decide and submit themselves completely. (4:65)

Whoever obeys the Messenger has obeyed Allah. If anyone turns away, we did not send you to them as their keeper. (4:80)

When news of any matter reaches them they spread it about, whether it is of a reassuring or disquieting nature. If they had only referred it to the Messenger and those in command among them, those among them able to discern the truth about it would have had proper knowledge of it. If it were not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, all but a very few of you would have followed Satan. (4:83)

But if anyone opposes the Messenger after the guidance has become clear to him, and follows other than the path of the believers, We will hand him over to whatever he has turned to, and We will roast him in Hell. What an evil destination! (4:115)

Obey Allah and obey the Messenger and beware! If you turn your backs, know that Our Messenger is only responsible for clear transmission. (5:92)

Children of Adam! If Messengers come to you from among yourselves, recounting My Signs to you, those who guard against evil and put things right, will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (7:35)

(Allah said, 'Believers are) those who follow the Messenger, the Ummi, whom they find written down with them in the Torah and the Gospel, commanding them to do right and forbidding them to do wrong, making good things lawful for them and bad things forbidden for them, relieving them of their heavy loads and the chains

which were around them. Those who believe in him and honour him and help him, and follow the Light that has been sent down with him, they are the ones who are successful.' (7:157)

They will ask you about booty. Say: 'Booty belongs to Allah and the Messenger. So have fear of Allah and put things right between you. Obey Allah and His Messenger if you are believers.' (8:1)

You who believe! Obey Allah and His Messenger. And do not turn away from him when you are able to hear. (8:20)

Obey Allah and His Messenger and do not quarrel among yourselves lest you lose heart and your momentum disappear. And be steadfast. Allah is with the steadfast. (8:46)

Do they not know that whoever opposes Allah and His Messenger, will have the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever? That is the great disgrace. (9:63)

The men and women of the believers are friends of one another. They command what is right and forbid what is wrong, and perform prayer and give the alms, and obey Allah and His Messenger. They are the people on whom Allah will have mercy. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:71)

It was not for people of Madina, and the desert arabs around them, to remain behind the Messenger of Allah nor to prefer themselves to him. That is because no thirst or weariness or hunger will afflict them in the Way of Allah, nor will they take a single step to infuriate the disbelievers, nor secure any gain from the enemy, without a right action being written down for them because of it. Allah does not let the wage of the good-doers go to waste. (9:120)

Harun had earlier said to them, 'My people! It is just a trial for you. Your Lord is the All-Merciful, so follow me and obey my command!' (20:90)

They say, 'We believe in Allah and in the Messenger and we obey.' Then after that a group of them turn away. Such people are not believers. (24:47)

The reply of the believers when they are summoned to Allah and His Messenger so that he can judge between them, is to say, 'We hear and

we obey.' They are ones who are successful. (24:51)

All who obey Allah and His Messenger and have awe of Allah and fear of Him, they are the ones who are victorious. (24:52)

They have sworn by Allah with their most earnest oaths that if you give them the command, they will go out. Say: 'Do not swear. Honourable obedience is enough. Allah is aware of what you do.' (24:53)

Say: 'Obey Allah and obey the Messenger. Then if they turn away he is only responsible for what he is charged with and you are responsible for what you are charged with. If you obey him, you will be guided.' The Messenger is only responsible for clear transmission. (24:54)

Perform prayer and give the alms and obey the Messenger so that hopefully mercy will be shown to you. (24:56)

The believers are those who believe in Allah and His Messenger and who, when they are with him on a matter of common concern, do not leave until they have asked him for permission. Those people who ask you for permission are the ones who truly believe in Allah and His Messenger. If they ask your permission to attend to their own affairs, give permission to any of them you please; and ask Allah's forgiveness for them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:62) Do not make the Messenger's summoning of you the same as your summoning of one another. Allah knows those of you who sneak away. Those who oppose his command should beware of a testing trial coming to them or a painful punishment striking them. (24:63)

(Nuh said,) 'So have fear of Allah and obey me.' (26:108, 26:110)

(Hud said,) 'So have fear of Allah and obey me.' (26:126, 26:131)

(Salih said,) 'So have fear of Allah and obey me.' (26:144)

(Salih said,) 'So have fear of Allah and obey me. Do not obey the orders of the profligate.' (26:150-151)

(Lut said,) 'So have fear of Allah and obey me.' (26:163)

(Shu'ayb said,) 'So have fear of Allah and obey

me.' (26:179)

You have an excellent model in the Messenger of Allah, for all who put their hope in Allah and the Last Day and remember Allah much. (33:21)

When Allah and His Messenger have decided something it is not for any man or woman of the believers to have a choice about it. Anyone who disobeys Allah and His Messenger is clearly misguided. (33:36)

They will say on the Day their faces are rolled over in the Fire, 'If only we had obeyed Allah and obeyed the Messenger!' (33:66)

He will put your actions right for you and forgive you your wrong deeds. All who obey Allah and His Messenger have won a mighty victory. (33:71)

You who believe! Obey Allah and obey the Messenger. Do not make your actions of no worth. (47:33)

Those who pledge you their allegiance pledge allegiance to Allah. Allah's hand is over their hands. He who breaks his pledge only breaks it against himself. But as for him who fulfils the contract he has made with Allah, We will pay him an immense reward. (48:10)

The desert Arabs say, 'We believe.' Say: 'You do not believe. Say rather, "We have become Muslim," for faith has not yet entered into your hearts. If you obey Allah and His Messenger, He will not undervalue your actions in any way. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (49:14)

Those who oppose Allah and His Messenger will be subdued and overcome as those before them were also subdued and overcome. We have sent down Clear Signs. The disbelievers will have a humiliating punishment. (58:5)

Do you not see those who were forbidden to confer together secretly returning to the very thing they were forbidden to do, and conferring together secretly in wrongdoing and enmity and disobedience to the Messenger? And when they come to you they greet you with words Allah has never used in greeting you, and say to themselves 'Why does Allah not punish us for what we say?' Hell will be enough for them! They will roast in it. What an evil destination! (58:8)

Are you afraid to give gifts of charity before your

private consultation? If you do not and Allah turns to you, at least perform prayer and give the alms, and obey Allah and His Messenger. Allah is aware of what you do. (58:13)

Those who oppose Allah and His Messenger, such people will be among the most abased. (58:20)

You will not find people who believe in Allah and the Last Day having love for anyone who opposes Allah and His Messenger, though they be their fathers, their sons, their brothers or their clan. Allah has inscribed faith upon such people's hearts and will reinforce them with a Spirit from Him and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. Such people are the party of Allah. Truly it is the party of Allah who are successful. (58:22)

That is because they were entrenched in hostility towards Allah and His Messenger. If anyone is hostile towards Allah, Allah is Severe in Retribution. (59:4)

It is He Who raised up among the unlettered people a Messenger from them to recite His Signs to them and purify them and teach them the Book and Wisdom, even though before that they were clearly misguided. (62:2)

Obey Allah and obey the Messenger. But if you turn your backs, the Messenger is only responsible for clear transmission. (64:12)

So have fear of Allah, as much as you are able to, and listen and obey and spend for your own benefit. It is the people who are safe-guarded from the avarice of their own selves who are successful. (64:16)

(Allah has sent down) a Messenger reciting Allah's Clear Signs to you to bring those who believe and do right actions out of the darkness into the Light. Whoever believes in Allah and acts rightly, We will admit him into Gardens with rivers flowing under them remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah has provided for him excellently! (65:11)

## **OBEEDIENCE TO ALLAH**

They say, 'Allah has a son.' Glory be to Him! No,

everything in the heavens and earth belongs to Him. Everything is obedient to Him. (2:116)

Say, 'Do you argue with us about Allah when He is our Lord and your Lord? We have our actions and you have your actions. We act for Him alone.' (2:139)

Safeguard the prayer--especially the middle one. Stand in obedience to Allah. (2:238)

The steadfast, the truthful, the obedient, the givers, and those who seek forgiveness before dawn. (3:17)

(The angels said,) 'Maryam, obey your Lord and prostrate and bow with those who bow.' (3:43)

Men have charge of women because Allah has preferred the one above the other and because they spend their wealth on them. Right-acting women are obedient (to Allah), guarding the unseen as Allah has guarded. If there are women whose disobedience you fear, you may admonish them, refuse to sleep with them, and then beat them. But if they obey you, do not look for a way to punish them. Allah is All-High, Most Great. (4:34)

Everyone in the heavens and earth belongs to Him. All are submissive to Him. (30:26)

But those of you who are obedient to Allah and His Messenger and act rightly will be given their reward twice over; and We have prepared generous provision for them. (33:31)

Men and women who are Muslims, men and women who are believers, men and women who are obedient, men and women who are truthful, men and women who are steadfast, men and women who are humble, men and women who give charity, men and women who fast, men and women who guard their chastity, men and women who remember Allah much: Allah has prepared forgiveness for them and an immense reward. (33:35)

It may be that if he does divorce you, his Lord will give him in exchange better wives than you: Muslim women, believing women, obedient women, penitent women, women who worship, women who fast much--previously married women as well as virgins. (66:5)

And Maryam, the daughter of 'Imran, who guarded her chastity--We breathed Our Spirit into

her and she confirmed the Words of her Lord and His Book and was one of the obedient. (66:12)

### **OBSCENITY**

And Lut, when he said to his people, 'Do you commit an obscenity not perpetrated before you by anyone in all the worlds? (7:80)

When Lut said to his people, 'You are committing an obscenity not perpetrated before you by anyone in all the worlds.' (29:28)

### **OBSTRUCT**

Who could do greater wrong than someone who bars access to the mosques of Allah, preventing His name from being remembered in them, and goes about destroying them? Such people will never be able to enter them—except in fear. They will have disgrace in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (2:114) They will ask you about the Sacred Month and fighting in it. Say, 'Fighting in it is a serious matter; but barring access to the Way of Allah and rejecting Him and barring access to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and expelling its people from it are far more serious in the sight of Allah. Discord is worse than killing.' They will not stop fighting you until they make you revert from your religion, if they are able. As for any of you who revert from their religion and die disbeliever, their actions will come to nothing in this world and the hereafter. They are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:217)

Say, 'People of the Book, why do you bar those who believe from the Way of Allah, seeking in it something crooked, when you yourselves are witnesses to it? Allah is not unaware of what you do.' (3:99)

Some of them believe in him, and some bar access to him. Hell will suffice as a Searing Blaze! (4:55)

Because of wrongdoing on the part of the Jews, We made forbidden for them some good things which had previously been lawful for them; and because of their obstructing many people from the Way of Allah. (4:160)

Those who disbelieve and bar access to the Way

of Allah have gone very far astray. (4:167)

You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

Satan wants to stir up enmity and hatred between you by means of wine and gambling, and to debar you from remembrance of Allah and from prayer. Will you not then give them up? (5:91)

The Companions of the Garden will call out to the Companions of the Fire, 'We have found that what our Lord promised us is true. Have you found that what your Lord promised you is true?' They will say, 'Yes, we have!' Between them a herald will proclaim: 'May the curse of Allah be on the wrongdoers, those who bar access to the Way of Allah, seeking in it something crooked, and reject the hereafter.' (7:44-45)

Do not lie in wait on every pathway, threatening people, barring those who believe from the Way of Allah, seeking in it something crooked. Remember when you were few and He increased your number: see the final fate of the corrupters! (7:86)

But why should Allah not punish them now when they bar access to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram)? They are not its guardians. Only people who guard against evil can be its guardians. But most of them do not know that. (8:34)

Those who disbelieve spend their wealth barring access to the Way of Allah. They will spend it; then they will regret it; then they will be overthrown. Those who disbelieve will be gathered into Hell. (8:36)

Do not be like those who left their homes in arrogance, showing off to people and barring them from the way of Allah—Allah encompasses what they do. (8:47)

They have sold Allah's Signs for a paltry price, and they have barred access to His Way. What they have done is truly evil. (9:9)

You who believe! Many of the rabbis and monks devour people's property under false pretences and bar people from access to the Way of Allah. As for those who hoard up gold and silver and do not spend it in the Way of Allah, give them the news of a painful punishment. (9:34)

... Allah's curse is on the wrongdoers, those who bar access to the way of Allah seeking in it something crooked and reject the hereafter. (11:18-19)

The woman whose house it was solicited him (Yusuf). She barred the doors and said, 'Come over here!' He said, 'Allah is my refuge! He is My lord and has been good to me with where I live. Those who do wrong will surely not succeed.'

(12:23)

What then of Him Who is standing over every self seeing everything it does? Yet still they associate others with Allah! Say: 'Name them! Or would you inform Him of something in the earth He does not know, or are they words which are simply guesswork on your part?' However, the plotting of those who disbelieve seems good to them and they bar the way. Anyone misguided by Allah has no guide. (13:33)

(Woe to) those who prefer the life of this world to the hereafter, and bar access to the way of Allah, seeking in it something crooked; they are greatly misguided. (14:3)

Their Messengers said, 'Is there any doubt about Allah, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and the earth? He summons you to forgive you for your wrong actions and to defer you until a specified time.' They said, 'You are nothing but human beings like ourselves who want to debar us from what our fathers worshipped; so bring us a clear authority.' (14:10)

As for those who disbelieved and barred access to the way of Allah, We will heap punishment on top of their punishment because of the corruption they brought about. (16:88)

Do not make your oaths a means of deceiving one another or your foot will slip after it was firmly placed and you will taste evil for barring access to the Way of Allah and you will have a

terrible punishment. (16:94)

Do not let those who have no faith in it and follow their whims and desires debar you from it or you will be destroyed. (20:16)

Those who disbelieve and bar access to the Way of Allah and to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) which We have appointed for all mankind—equally for those who live near it and those who come from far away—those who desire to profane it with wrongdoing, We will let them taste a painful punishment. (22:25)

They are debarred from hearing it. (26:212)

(The hoopoe said,) 'I found both her and her people prostrating to the sun instead of Allah. Satan has made their actions seem good to them and debarred them from the Way so they are not guided.' (27:24)

Do not let them debar you from Allah's Signs after they have been sent down to you. Call people to your Lord and on no account be one of the idolaters. (28:87)

And 'Ad and Thamud—it must be clear to you from their dwelling places! Satan made their actions seem good to them and so debarred them from the Way, even though they were intelligent people. (29:38)

Allah knows the obstructers among you and those who say to their brothers, 'Come to us,' and who only come to fight a very little, (33:18)

Those deemed great will say to those deemed weak, 'Did we debar you from the guidance when it came to you? No, it is you who were evildoers.' (34:32)

When Our Clear Signs are recited to them, they say, 'This is nothing but a man who wants to debar you from what your fathers used to worship.' They say, 'This is nothing but an invented lie.' Those who disbelieve say to the truth when it comes to them, 'This is nothing but downright magic.' (34:43)

Pharaoh said, 'Haman, build me a tower so that perhaps I may gain means of access, access to the heavens, so that I can look on Musa's God. Truly I think he is a liar.' That is how Pharaoh's evil actions were made attractive to him and he debarred others from the Path. Pharaoh's scheming led to nothing but ruin. (40:36-37)

They debar them from the path, yet they still think they are guided. (43:37)  
Do not let Satan bar your way. He truly is an outright enemy to you. (43:62)  
As for those who disbelieve and bar others from the Way of Allah, Allah will make their actions go astray. (47:1)

Those who disbelieve and obstruct the Way of Allah and are entrenched in hostility towards the Messenger after the guidance has become clear to them, do not harm Allah in any way and He makes their actions come to nothing. (47:32)  
Those who disbelieve and obstruct the Way of Allah, and then die disbeliever, Allah will not forgive them. (47:34)

They are those who disbelieved and debarred you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and prevented the sacrifice from reaching its proper place, and had it not been for some men and women who are believers, whom you did not know and might trample underfoot, and so unknowingly incur blame on their account--so that Allah might admit into His mercy those He wills--and had those among them who disbelieve been clearly distinguishable, We would have punished them with a painful punishment. (48:25)

They made their oaths into a cloak and barred the Way of Allah, so they will have a humiliating punishment. (58:16)

They have made their oaths into a cloak and barred the Way of Allah. What they have done is truly evil. (63:2)

## OFFSPRING

(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord! I have settled some of my offspring by Your Sacred House in an uncultivated valley. Our Lord! Let them perform prayer! Make the hearts of mankind incline towards them and provide them with fruits, so that hopefully they will be thankful.' (14:37)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam,' they prostrated with the exception of Diabolis. He was one of the jinn and wantonly deviated from his Lord's command. Do you take him and his offspring as protectors apart from Me when they are your enemy? How evil is

the exchange the wrongdoers make! (18:50)  
And We will unite those who believed with their offspring, who followed them in faith, and We will not undervalue their own actions in any way. Every man is in pledge for what he earned. (52:21)

## OIL

By means of it (water) We produce gardens of dates and grapes for you, in which there are many fruits for you and from which you eat, and a tree springing forth from Mount Sinai yielding oil and a seasoning to those who eat. (23:19-20)  
Allah is the Light of the heavens and the earth. The metaphor of His Light is that of a niche in which is a lamp, the lamp inside a glass, the glass like a brilliant star, lit from a blessed tree, an olive, neither of the east nor of the west, its oil all but giving off light even if no fire touches it. Light upon Light. Allah guides to His Light whoever He wills and Allah makes metaphors for mankind and Allah has knowledge of all things. (24:35)  
When heaven is split apart and goes red like dregs of oil. (55:37)

## OLD AGE

Would any of you like to have a garden of dates and grapes, with rivers flowing underneath and containing all kinds of fruits, then to be stricken with old age and have children who are weak, and then for a fierce whirlwind containing fire to come and strike it so that it goes up in flames? In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect. (2:266)

He said, 'My Lord, how can I possibly have a son when I have reached old age and my wife is barren?' He said, 'It will be so. Allah does whatever He wills.' (3:40)

She said, 'Woe is me! How can I give birth when I am an old woman and my husband here is an aged man? This is indeed an astonishing thing!' (11:72)

They said, 'Your Eminence! He has an old and venerable father, so take one of us instead of him. We see without a doubt that you are of the people who do good.' (12:78)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Praise be to Allah Who, despite

my old age, has given me Isma'il and Ishaq. My Lord is the Hearer of Prayer.' (14:39)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'Do you bring me this good news despite the fact of old age having reached me? What kind of good news are you bringing me?' (15:54)

Allah created you and then will take you back again. And some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that after having knowledge, you know nothing at all. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Powerful. (16:70)

Your Lord has decreed that you should worship none but Him, and that you should show kindness to your parents. Whether one or both of them reach old age with you, do not say 'Ugh!' to them out of irritation and do not be harsh with them but speak to them with gentleness and generosity. (17:23)

Remembering your Lord's mercy to His servant Zakariyya, when he called on his Lord in secret and said, 'My Lord, my bones have lost their strength and my head is crowned with white, but in calling on You, My Lord, I have never been disappointed.' (19:2-4)

He (Zakariyya) said, 'My Lord! How can I have a boy when my wife is barren and I have reached advanced old age?' (19:8)

Mankind! If you are in any doubt about the Rising, know that We created you from dust then from a drop of sperm then from a clot of blood then from a lump of flesh, formed yet unformed, so We may make things clear to you. We make whatever We want stay in the womb until a specified time and then We bring you out as children so that you can reach your full maturity. Some of you die and some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that, after having knowledge, they then know nothing at all. And you see the earth dead and barren; then when We send down water onto it it quivers and swells and sprouts with luxuriant plants of every kind. (22:5)

When he (Musa) arrived at the water of Madyan, he found a crowd of people drawing water there. Standing apart from them, he found two women, holding back their sheep. He said, 'What are you two doing here?' They said, 'We cannot draw water until the shepherds have driven off their

sheep. You see our father is a very old man.' (28:23)

It is Allah Who created you from a weak beginning then after weakness gave you strength then after strength ordained weakness and grey hair. He creates whatever He wills. He is All-Knowing, All-Powerful. (30:54)

When We rescued him (Lut) and all his family—except an old woman among those who stayed behind. (37:134-135)

It is He Who created you from earth, then from a drop of sperm, then from a clot of blood, then He brings you out as infants, then so you may achieve full strength, then so you may become old men—though some of you may die before that time—so that you may reach a predetermined age and so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (40:67)

His wife came up with a shriek and struck her face and said, 'What, and me a barren old woman!' (51:29)

## OLD WOMAN

She (Ibrahim's wife) said, 'Woe is me! How can I give birth when I am an old woman and my husband here is an aged man? This is indeed an astonishing thing!' (11:72)

Therefore We rescued him (Lut) and all his family—except for an old woman who remained behind. (26:170-171)

## OLIVE

It is He Who sends down water from the sky from which We bring forth growth of every kind, and from that We bring forth the green shoots and from them We bring forth close-packed seeds, and from the spathes of the date palm date clusters hanging down, and gardens of grapes and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Look at their fruits as they bear fruit and ripen. There are Signs in that for people who believe. (6:99)

It is He Who produces gardens, both cultivated and wild, and palm-trees and crops of diverse kinds, and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Eat of their fruits when they bear fruit and pay their due on the day of their harvest, and do not be profligate. He does not love the

profligate. (6:141)

And by it He makes crops grow for you and olives and dates and grapes and fruit of every kind. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who reflect. (16:11)

Allah is the Light of the heavens and the earth. The metaphor of His Light is that of a niche in which is a lamp, the lamp inside a glass, the glass like a brilliant star, lit from a blessed tree, an olive, neither of the east nor of the west, its oil all but giving off light even if no fire touches it. Light upon Light. Allah guides to His Light whoever He wills and Allah makes metaphors for mankind and Allah has knowledge of all things. (24:35) Then We make grain grow in it, and grapes and herbs and olives and dates, (80:27-29) By the fig and the olive. (95:1)

## ON FOOT

If you are afraid, then perform prayer on foot or mounted. But when you are safe, remember Allah in the way He taught you when previously you did not know. (2:239)

Announce the Pilgrimage to mankind. They will come to you on foot and on every sort of lean animal, coming by every distant road. (22:27)

## ONENESS OF ALLAH (TAWHID)

Your God is One God. There is no god but Him, the All-Merciful, the Most Merciful. (2:163)

Allah, there is no god but Him, the Living, the Self-Sustaining. He is not subject to drowsiness or sleep. Everything in the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. Who can intercede with Him except by His permission? He knows what is before them and what is behind them but they cannot grasp any of His knowledge save what He wills. His Footstool encompasses the heavens and the earth and their preservation does not tire Him. He is the Most High, the Magnificent. (2:255)

Allah, there is no god but Him, the Living, the Self-Sustaining. (3:2)

It is He Who forms you in the womb however He wills. There is no god but Him, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (3:6)

Allah bears witness that there is no god but Him, as do the angels and the people of knowledge,

upholding justice. There is no god but Him, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (3:18)

Allah, there is no god but Him. He will gather you to the Day of Rising about which there is no doubt. And whose speech could be truer than Allah's? (4:87)

Those who say that Allah is the third of three are disbelievers. There is no god but One God. If they do not stop saying what they say, a painful punishment will afflict those among them who disbelieve. (5:73)

That is Allah, your Lord. There is no god but Him, the Creator of everything. So worship Him. He is responsible for everything. (6:102)

Follow what has been revealed to you from your Lord—there is no god but Him—and turn away from the idolaters. (6:106)

Say: 'Mankind! I am the Messenger of Allah to you all, of Him to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs. There is no god but Him. He gives life and causes to die.' So believe in Allah and His Messenger, the Ummi, who believes in Allah and His words, and follow him so that hopefully you will be guided.' (7:158)

They have taken their rabbis and monks as lords besides Allah, and also the Messiah, son of Maryam. Yet they were commanded to worship only one God. There is no god but Him! Glory be to Him above anything they associate with Him! (9:31)

But if they turn away, say, 'Allah is enough for me. There is no god but Him. I have put my trust in Him. He is the Lord of the Mighty Throne.' (9:129)

We brought the tribe of Israel across the sea and Pharaoh and his troops pursued them out of tyranny and enmity. Then, when he was on the point of drowning, he said, 'I believe that there is no god but Him in whom the tribe of Israel believe. I am one of the Muslims.' (10:90)

If they do not respond to you then know that it has been sent down with Allah's knowledge and that there is no god but Him. So will you not become Muslims? (11:14)

And to 'Ad We sent their brother Hud. He said, 'My people! Worship Allah. You have no god apart from Him. You are merely fabricators.' (11:50)

To Thamud We sent their brother Salih. He said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no god apart from Him. He brought you into being from the earth and made you its inhabitants. So ask His forgiveness and then repent to Him. My Lord is Close and Quick to Respond.' (11:61)

And to Madyan their brother Shu'ayb. He said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no god apart from Him. Do not give short measure and short weight. I see you prospering and I fear for you the punishment of an all-encompassing Day.' (11:84)

In the same way We have sent you among a nation before which other nations passed away, to recite to them what We have revealed to you. Yet they still reject the All-Merciful. Say: 'He is my Lord; there is no god but Him. I put my trust in Him and I turn to Him.' (13:30)

He sends down angels with the Spirit of His command to any of His servants He wills: 'Give warning that there is no god but Me, so have fear of Me!' (16:2)

Say: 'If there had, as you say, been other gods together with Him, they would have sought a way to the Master of the Throne.' (17:42)

Allah, there is no god but Him. The Most Beautiful Names are His. (20:8)

(A voice called out to Musa,) 'I am Allah. There is no god but Me, so worship Me and perform prayer to remember Me.' (20:14)

(Musa said,) 'Your god is Allah alone, there is no god but Him. He encompasses all things in His knowledge.' (20:98)

We sent no Messenger before you without revealing to him: 'There is no god but Me, so worship Me.' (21:25)

And Dhu'n-Nun when he left in anger and thought We would not punish him. He called out in the pitch darkness: 'There is no god but You! Glory be to You! Truly I have been one of the wrongdoers.' (21:87)

We sent Nuh to his people and he said, 'My people, worship Allah. You have no god other than Him. So will you not guard against evil?' (23:23)

And (We) sent a Messenger to them from themselves: 'Worship Allah. You have no god other than Him! So will you not guard against evil?' (23:32)

Allah has no son and there is no other god accompanying Him, for then each god would have gone off with what he created and one of them would have been exalted above the other. Glory be to Allah above what they describe. (23:91)

Exalted be Allah, the King, the Real. There is no god but Him, Lord of the Noble Throne. (23:116) (The hoopoe said,) 'Allah—there is no god but Him—the Lord of the Mighty Throne.' (27:26)

He is Allah. There is no god but Him. Praise be to Him in this world and the hereafter. Judgement belongs to Him. You will be returned to Him. (28:70)

Do not call on any other god along with Allah. There is no god but Him. All things are passing except His Face. Judgement belongs to Him. You will be returned to Him. (28:88)

Mankind! Remember Allah's blessing to you. Is there any creator other than Allah providing for you from heaven and earth? There is no god but Him. So how have you been perverted? (35:3)

Your God is One: Lord of the heavens and the earth and everything between them; Lord of the Easts. (37:4-5)

When they were told, 'There is no god but Allah,' they were arrogant. (37:35)

Say: 'I am only a warner. There is no god except Allah, the One, the All-Conquering.' (38:65)

He created you from a single self, then produced its mate from it, and sent down livestock to you—eight kinds in pairs. He creates you stage by stage in your mothers' wombs in a threefold darkness. That is Allah, your Lord. Sovereignty is His. There is no god but Him. So what has made you deviate? (39:6)

The Forgiver of wrong action, the Acceptor of repentance, the Severe in retribution, the Possessor of abundance. There is no god but Him. He is the final destination. (40:3)

That is Allah, your Lord, the Creator of everything. There is no god but Him—so how have you been perverted? (40:62)

He is the Living—there is no god but Him—so call on Him, making your religion sincerely His. Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (40:65)

It is He Who is God in heaven and God on earth.

He is the All-Wise, the All-Knowing. (43:84)

There is no god but Him—He gives life and causes to die—your Lord and the Lord of your forefathers, the previous peoples. (44:8)

Know then that there is no god except Allah and ask forgiveness for your wrongdoing, and for the men and women who believe. Allah knows both your activity and your repose. (47:19)

He is Allah—there is no god but Him. He is the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible. He is the All-Merciful, the Most Merciful. (59:22)

He is Allah—there is no god but Him. He is the King, the Most Pure, the Perfect Peace, the Trustworthy, the Safeguarder, the Almighty, the Compeller, the Supremely Great. Glory be to Allah above all they associate with Him. (59:23)

Allah—there is no god but Him. So let the believers put their trust in Allah. (64:13)

Lord of the East and West—there is no god but Him—so take Him as your Guardian. (73:9)

Say: ‘He is Allah, Absolute Oneness.’ (112:1)

## ONION

And when you said, ‘Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces—its green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,’ he said, ‘Do you want to replace what is better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.’ Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon themselves. That was because they rejected Allah’s Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

## ORNAMENT

After he left, Musa’s people adopted a calf made from their ornaments, a form which made a lowing sound. Did they not see that it could not speak to them or guide them to any way? They adopted it and so they were wrongdoers. (7:148) It is He Who made the sea subservient to you so that you can eat fresh flesh from it and bring out from it ornaments to wear. And you see the ships cleaving through it so that you can seek His

bounty, and so that hopefully you will show thanks. (16:14)

The two seas are not the same: the one is sweet, refreshing, delicious to drink, the other salty, bitter to the taste. Yet from both of them you eat fresh flesh and extract ornaments for yourselves to wear; and you see ships on them, cleaving through the waves so that you can seek His bounty and so that hopefully you will be thankful. (35:12)

Were it not that mankind might all become one community, We would have given those who reject the All-Merciful silver roofs to their houses and silver stairways to ascend and silver doors to their houses and silver couches on which to recline, and gold ornaments. All that is merely the trappings of the life of this world. But the hereafter with your Lord is for those who guard against evil. (43:33-35)

## ORPHAN

Remember when We made a covenant with the tribe of Israel: ‘Worship none but Allah and be good to your parents and to relatives and orphans and the very poor. And speak good words to people. And perform prayer and give the alms.’ But then you turned away—except a few of you—you turned aside. (2:83)

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

They will ask you what they should give away. Say, ‘Any wealth you give away should go to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor and travellers.’ Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. (2:215)

... In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you,

so that hopefully you will reflect on this world and the hereafter. They will ask you about the property of orphans. Say, ‘Managing it in their best interests is best.’ If you mix your property with theirs, they are your brothers. Allah knows a squanderer from a good manager. If Allah had wanted, He could have been hard on you. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:219-220)

Give orphans their property, and do not substitute bad things for good. Do not assimilate their property into your own. Doing that is a serious crime. (4:2)

If you are afraid of not behaving justly towards orphans, then marry other permissible women, two, three or four. But if you are afraid of not treating them equally, then only one, or those you own as slaves. That makes it more likely that you will not be unfair. (4:3)

Keep a close check on orphans until they reach a marriageable age, then if you perceive that they have sound judgement hand over their property to them. Do not consume it extravagantly and precipitately before they come of age. Those who are wealthy should abstain from it altogether. Those who are poor should use it sensibly and correctly. When you hand over their property to them ensure that there are witnesses on their behalf. Allah suffices as a Reckoner. (4:6) If other relatives or orphans or poor people attend the sharing-out, provide for them out of it and speak to them correctly and courteously. (4:8)

People who consume the property of orphans wrongfully consume nothing in their bellies except fire. They will roast in a Searing Blaze. (4:10)

Worship Allah and do not associate anything with Him. Be good to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to neighbours who are related to you and neighbours who are not related to you, and to companions and travellers and your slaves. Allah does not love anyone vain or boastful. (4:36)

They request from you a ruling concerning women. Say, ‘Allah gives you a ruling about them; and also what is recited to you in the Book about orphan girls to whom you do not give the

inheritance they are owed, while at the same time desiring to marry them; and also about young children who are denied their rights: that you should act justly with respect to orphans.’ Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. (4:127) And (He instructs) that you do not go near the property of orphans before they reach maturity—except in a good way; that you give full measure and full weight with justice—We impose on no self any more than it can bear; that you are equitable when you speak—even if a near relative is concerned; and that you fulfil Allah’s contract. That is what He instructs you to do, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (6:152)

Know that when you take any booty a fifth of it belongs to Allah, and to the Messenger, and to close relatives, orphans, the very poor and travellers, if you believe in Allah and in what We sent down to Our servant on the Day of Discrimination, the day the two groups met—Allah has power over all things. (8:41)

Do not go near the property of orphans before they reach maturity, except in a good way. Fulfil your contracts. Contracts will be asked about. (17:34)

(He said to Musa,) ‘As for the wall, it belonged to two young orphans in the town and there was a treasure underneath it, belonging to them. Their father was one of the righteous and your Lord wanted them to come of age and then to unearth their treasure as a mercy from Him. I did not do it of my own volition. That is the explanation of the things about which you were not able to restrain yourself.’ (18:82)

Whatever booty Allah gives to His Messenger from city dwellers belongs to Allah and to the Messenger and to near relatives and orphans and the very poor and travellers, so that it does not become something which merely revolves between the rich among you. Whatever the Messenger gives you you should accept and whatever he forbids you you should forgo. Have fear of Allah—Allah is severe in retribution. (59:7) They give food, despite their love for it, to the poor and orphans and captives. (76:8)

No indeed! You do not honour orphans. (89:17) What will convey to you what the steep ascent

is? It is freeing a slave or feeding on a day of hunger an orphaned relative or a poor man in the dust; (90:12-16)

Did He not find you orphaned and shelter you?  
(93:6)

So as for orphans, do not oppress them. (93:9)

He is the one who harshly rebuffs the orphan.  
(107:2)

## **OVERCOMING**

When Satan made their actions appear good to them, saying, 'No one will overcome you today for I am at your side.' But when the two parties came in sight of one another, he turned right round on his heels saying, 'I wash my hands of you. I see what you do not see. I fear Allah. Allah is severe in retribution.' (8:48)

O Prophet! Spur on the believers to fight. If there are twenty of you who are steadfast, they will overcome two hundred; and if there are a hundred of you, they will overcome a thousand of those who disbelieve, because they are people who do not understand. (8:65)

Now Allah has made it lighter on you, knowing there is weakness in you. If there are a hundred of you who are steadfast, they will overcome two hundred; and if there are a thousand of you, they will overcome two thousand with Allah's permission. Allah is with the steadfast. (8:66)

(Salih said,) 'My people! Here is the she-camel of Allah as a Sign for you. So leave her alone to eat on Allah's earth and do not inflict any harm on her or you will be overcome by an imminent punishment.' (11:64)

Those who oppose Allah and His Messenger will be subdued and overcome as those before them were also subdued and overcome. We have sent down Clear Signs. The disbelievers will have a humiliating punishment. (58:5)

## P

### PAGES

Even if We were to send down a book to you on parchment pages and they were actually to touch it with their own hands, those who disbelieve would still say, 'This is nothing but downright magic.' (6:7)

That Day We will fold up heaven like folding up the pages of a book. As We originated the first creation so We will regenerate it. It is a promise binding on Us. That is what We will do. (21:104) (The Qur'an is) inscribed on Honoured Pages, (80:13)

When the Pages are opened up. (81:10)

### PAIR

There are eight in pairs: A pair of sheep and a pair of goats—Say: 'Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Tell me with knowledge if you are being truthful.' (6:143)

And a pair of camels and a pair of cattle—Say: 'Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Were you then witnesses when Allah gave you this instruction? Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah thus leading people astray without any knowledge? Allah does not guide the people of the wrongdoers. (6:144)

So when Our command came, and water bubbled up from the earth, We said (to Nuh), 'Load into it a pair of every species, and your family—except for those against whom the Word was preordained—and all who believe.' But those who believed with him were only few. (11:40)

We revealed to him (Nuh): 'Build the Ship under Our supervision and as We reveal. When Our command comes and water bubbles up from the earth, load into it a pair of every species, and your family—except for those among them against whom the word has already gone ahead. And do not address Me concerning those who do wrong. They shall be drowned.' (23:27)

Say: 'I exhort you to do one thing alone: to stand before Allah in pairs and on your own and then

reflect. Your companion is not possessed. He is only a warner come to you ahead of a terrible punishment.' (34:46)

Allah created you from dust and then from a drop of sperm and then made you into pairs. No female becomes pregnant or gives birth except with His knowledge. And no living thing lives long or has its life cut short without that being in a Book. That is easy for Allah. (35:11)

Glory be to Him Who created all the pairs: from what the earth produces and from themselves and from things unknown to them. (36:36)

He created you from a single self, then produced its mate from it, and sent down livestock to you—eight kinds in pairs. He creates you stage by stage in your mothers' wombs in a threefold darkness. That is Allah, your Lord. Sovereignty is His. There is no god but Him. So what has made you deviate? (39:6)

And We created all things in pairs so that hopefully you would pay heed. (51:49)

We have created you in pairs. (78:8)

### PALACE

(Salih said to his people,) 'Remember when He appointed you successors to 'Ad and settled you in the land. You built palaces on its plains and carved out houses from the mountains. Remember Allah's blessings and do not go about the earth, corrupting it.' (7:74)

How many wrongdoing cities We destroyed, and now all their roofs and walls are fallen in; how many abandoned wells and stuccoed palaces! (22:45)

Blessed be He Who, if He wishes, will grant you better than that: Gardens with rivers flowing under them; and He will grant you Palaces. (25:10)

### PALTRY

Believe in what I have sent down, confirming what is with you. Do not be the first to reject it and do not sell My Signs for a paltry price. Have fear of Me alone. (2:41)

Woe to those who write the Book with their own hands and then say 'This is from Allah' to sell it for a paltry price. Woe to them for what their

hands have written! Woe to them for what they earn! (2:79)

Those who sell Allah's contract and their own oaths for a paltry price, such people will have no portion in the hereafter and on the Day of Rising Allah will not speak to them or look at them or purify them. They will have a painful punishment. (3:77)

Allah made a covenant with those given the Book: 'You must make it clear to people and not conceal it.' But they toss it in disdain behind their backs and sell it for a paltry price. What an evil sale they make! (3:187)

Among the people of the Book there are some who believe in Allah and in what has been sent down to you and what was sent down to them, and who are humble before Allah. They do not sell Allah's Signs for a paltry price. Such people will have their reward with their Lord. And Allah is swift at reckoning. (3:199)

We sent down the Torah containing guidance and light, and the Prophets who had submitted themselves gave judgement by it for the Jews—as did their scholars and their rabbis—by what they had been allowed to preserve of Allah's Book to which they were witnesses. Do not be afraid of people, be afraid of Me. And do not sell My Signs for a paltry price. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are disbelievers. (5:44)

They have sold Allah's Signs for a paltry price, and they have barred access to His Way. What they have done is truly evil. (9:9)

Do not sell Allah's contract for a paltry price. What is with Allah is better for you if you only knew. (16:95)

## **PARADISE (SEE THE GARDEN)**

### **(HIGHEST) PARADISE**

Such people will be repaid for their steadfastness with the Highest Paradise, where they will meet with welcome and with 'Peace'. (25:75)

### **PARTNER**

On the Day We gather them all together, We will say to those who associated others with Allah,

'Where are the partner-gods, for whom you made such claims?' (6:22)

His people argued with him. He (Ibrahim) said, 'Are you arguing with me about Allah when He has guided me? I have no fear of any partner you ascribe to Him unless my Lord should will such a thing to happen. My Lord encompasses all things in His knowledge so will you not pay heed? Why should I fear what you have associated with Him when you yourselves apparently have no fear of associating partners with Allah for which He has sent down no authority to you? Which of the two parties is more entitled to feel safe, if you have any knowledge?' (6:80-81)

Say: 'My prayer and my rites, my living and my dying, are for Allah alone, the Lord of all the worlds, Who has no partner. I am commanded to be like that and I am the first of the Muslims.' (6:162-163)

Do they make things into partner-gods which cannot create anything and are themselves created; which are not capable of helping them and cannot even help themselves? (7:191-192)

On the Day We gather them all together, We will say then to those who associated others with Allah, 'To your place, you and your partner-gods!' Then We will sift them out, and their partner-gods will say, 'It was not us you worshipped.' (10:28)

Say: 'Can any of your partner-gods bring creation out of nothing and then regenerate it?' Say: 'Allah brings creation out of nothing and then regenerates it. So how have you been perverted?' Say: 'Can any of your partner-gods guide to the truth?' Say: 'Allah guides to the truth. Who has more right to be followed—He Who guides to the truth, or he who cannot guide unless he is guided? What is the matter with you? How do you reach your judgement?' (10:34-35)

Yes, indeed! Everyone in the heavens and everyone on the earth belongs to Allah. Those who call on something other than Allah are not really following their partner-gods. They are only following conjecture. They are only guessing. (10:66)

Say: 'Who is the Lord of the heavens and the earth?' Say: 'Allah.' Say: 'So why have you taken

protectors apart from Him who possess no power to help or harm themselves?' Say: 'Are the blind and seeing equal? Or are darkness and light the same? Or have they assigned partners to Allah who create as He creates, so that all creating seems the same to them?' Say: 'Allah is the Creator of everything. He is the One, the All-Conquering.' (13:16)

Then on the Day of Rising He will disgrace them, and say, 'Where are My partner gods for whose sake you became so hostile?' Those given knowledge will say, 'Today there is disgrace and evil for the disbelievers.' (16:27)

When those who associated others with Allah see those they associated, they will say, 'Our Lord, these are our partner gods, the ones we called upon apart from You.' But they will fling their words back in their faces: 'You are truly liars!' (16:86)

And say: 'Praise be to Allah Who has had no son and Who has no partner in His Kingdom and Who needs no one to protect Him from abasement.' And proclaim His Greatness repeatedly! (17:111)

The fruits of his labour were completely destroyed and he woke up wringing his hands in grief, rueing everything that he had spent on it. It was a ruin with all its trellises fallen in. He said, 'Oh, if only I had not associated anyone with my Lord!' (18:42)

On the Day He says, 'Call My partner-gods, those for whom you made such claims,' they will call on them but they will not respond to them. We will place between them an unbridgeable gulf. (18:52)

He to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and the earth belongs. He does not have a son and He has no partner in the Kingdom. He created everything and determined it most exactly. (25:2)

They will be told, 'Call on your partner-gods!' They will call on them but they will not respond to them. They will see the punishment. Oh if only they had been guided! (28:64)

None of their partner-gods will intercede for them. They will reject their partner-gods. (30:13) He has made an example for you from among yourselves. Are any of the slaves you own part-

ners with you in what We have provided for you so that you are equal in respect of it, you fearing them the same as one another? In that way We make Our Signs clear for people who use their intellect. (30:28)

Allah is He Who created you, then provides for you, then will cause you to die and then bring you back to life. Can any of your partner-gods do any of that? Glory be to Him and may He be exalted above anything they associate with Him! (30:40)

Say: 'Have you thought about your partner gods, those you call upon besides Allah? Show me what they have created of the earth; or do they have a partnership in the heavens?' Have We given them a Book whose Clear Signs they follow? No indeed! The wrongdoers promise each other nothing but delusion. (35:40)

On that Day they will be partners in the punishment. (37:33)

They do not measure Allah with His true measure. The whole earth will be a mere handful for Him on the Day of Rising the heavens folded up in His right hand. Glory be to Him! He is exalted above the partners they ascribe! (39:67)

Say: 'Have you thought about those you call upon apart from Allah? Show me what they have created on the earth. Or do they have a partnership in the heavens? Produce a Book for me before this one or a shred of knowledge if you are telling the truth.' (46:4)

Or do they have Divine partners? Then let them produce their partners if they are telling the truth! (68:41)

## PATH OF ALLAH

Guide us on the Straight Path, the Path of those You have blessed. (1:5-6)

Or do you want to question your Messenger as Musa was questioned before? Anyone who exchanges faith for disbelief has definitely gone astray from the level way. (2:108)

The fools among the people will ask, 'What has made them turn round from the direction they used to face?' Say, 'Both East and West belong to Allah. He guides whoever He wills to a straight path.' (2:142)

Fight in the Way of Allah against those who fight you, but do not go beyond the limits. Allah does not love those who go beyond the limits. (2:190)  
Spend in the Way of Allah. Do not cast yourselves into destruction. And do good: Allah loves good-doers. (2:195)

They will ask you about the Sacred Month and fighting in it. Say, 'Fighting in it is a serious matter; but barring access to the Way of Allah and rejecting Him and barring access to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and expelling its people from it are far more serious in the sight of Allah. Discord is worse than killing.' They will not stop fighting you until they make you revert from your religion, if they are able. As for any of you who revert from their religion and die disbeliever, their actions will come to nothing in this world and the hereafter. They are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:217)

Those who believe and migrate and strive in the Way of Allah can expect Allah's mercy. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:218)

Fight in the Way of Allah. Know that Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (2:244)

What do you think about the council of the tribe of Israel after Musa's time when they said to one of their Prophets, 'Give us a king and we will fight in the Way of Allah!?' He said, 'Is it not possible that if fighting were prescribed for you, you would not fight?' They said, 'How could we not fight in the way of Allah when we have been driven from our homes and children?' But then when fighting was prescribed for them, they turned their backs—except for a few of them. Allah knows the wrongdoers. (2:246)

The metaphor of those who spend their wealth in the Way of Allah is that of a grain which produces seven ears; in every ear there are a hundred grains. Allah gives such multiplied increase to whoever He wills. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing. (2:261)

Those who spend their wealth in the Way of Allah, and then do not follow what they have spent by demands for gratitude or insulting words will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:262)

It (the charity) is for the poor who are held back in the Way of Allah, unable to travel in the land. The ignorant consider them rich because of their reticence. You will know them by their mark. They do not ask from people insistently. Whatever good you give away, Allah knows it. (2:273)

There was a sign for you in the two parties which met face to face, one party fighting in the Way of Allah and the other disbelievers. You saw them as twice their number with your own eyes. Allah reinforces with His help whoever He wills. There is instruction in that for people of insight. (3:13) ('Isa will say,) 'Allah is my Lord and your Lord so worship Him. That is a straight path.' (3:51)

Say, 'People of the Book, why do you bar those who believe from the Way of Allah, seeking in it something crooked, when you yourselves are witnesses to it? Allah is not unaware of what you do.' (3:99)

How can you disbelieve, when Allah's Signs are recited to you and the Messenger is there among you? Whoever holds fast to Allah has been guided to a straight path. (3:101)

Many a Prophet has fought, when there were many thousands with him! They did not give up in the face of what assailed them in the Way of Allah, nor did they weaken, nor did they yield. Allah loves the steadfast. (3:146)

If you are killed in the Way of Allah or if you die, forgiveness and mercy from Allah are better than anything you can acquire. (3:157)

And (it is) so that He would know the hypocrites. They were told, 'Come and fight in the Way of Allah or at least help defend us.' They said, 'If we knew how to fight, we would certainly follow you.' They were closer to disbelief that day than to faith, saying with their mouths what was not in their hearts. And Allah knows best what they are hiding. (3:167)

Do not suppose that those killed in the Way of Allah are dead. No indeed! They are alive and well provided for in the very presence of their Lord. (3:169)

Their Lord responds to them: 'I will not let the deeds of any doer among you go to waste, male or female—you are both the same in that respect.'

Those who migrated and were driven from their homes and suffered harm in My Way and fought and were killed, I will erase their bad actions from them and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, as a reward from Allah. The best of all rewards is with Allah.' (3:195)

Do you not see those who were given a portion of the Book trading in misguidance and wanting you to be misguided from the way? (4:44)

Do you not see those who were given a portion of the Book believing in idols and false gods and saying of those who disbelieve, 'These people are better guided on their path than the believers'? (4:51)

In that case We would have given them an immense reward from Us and We would have guided them on a straight path. (4:67-68)

So let those who sell the life of this world for the hereafter fight in the Way of Allah. If someone fights in the Way of Allah, whether he is killed or is victorious, We will pay him an immense reward. (4:74)

What reason could you have for not fighting in the Way of Allah—for those men, women and children who are oppressed and say, 'Our Lord, take us out of this city whose inhabitants are wrongdoers! Give us a protector from You! Give us a helper from You!'? (4:75)

Those who believe fight in the Way of Allah. Those who disbelieve fight in the way of false gods. So fight the friends of Satan! Satan's scheming is always feeble. (4:76)

So fight in the way of Allah—you are only answerable for yourself—and spur on the believers. It may well be that Allah will curb the force of those who disbelieve. Allah has greater force and greater power to punish. (4:84)

They would like you to disbelieve as they disbelieve so that you will all be the same. Do not take any of them as friends until they have migrated in the Way of Allah. But if they run away then seize them and kill them wherever you find them. Do not take any of them as either a friend or helper—except for those who seek shelter with people with whom you have a treaty, or who come to you greatly perturbed at the prospect of

fighting either you or their own people. If Allah had willed, He could have given them the upper hand over you and then they would have fought you. If they keep away from you and do not fight you and submit to you, Allah has not given you any way against such people. (4:89-90)

You who believe! When you go out to fight in the Way of Allah verify things carefully. Do not say, 'You are not a believer', to someone who greets you as a Muslim, simply out of desire for the goods of this world. With Allah there is booty in abundance. That is the way you were before but Allah has been kind to you. So verify things carefully. Allah is aware of what you do. (4:94)

Those believers who stay behind—other than those forced to by necessity—are not the same as those who strive in the Way of Allah, sacrificing their wealth and themselves. Allah has given those who strive with their wealth and themselves a higher rank than those who stay behind. Allah has promised the Best to both, but Allah has preferred those who strive over those who stay behind by an immense reward. (4:95)

Those who migrate in the Way of Allah will find many places of refuge on the earth and ample sustenance. If anyone leaves his home, migrating to Allah and His Messenger, and death catches up with him, it is Allah Who will reward him. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:100)

But if anyone opposes the Messenger after the guidance has become clear to him, and follows other than the path of the believers, We will hand him over to whatever he has turned to, and We will roast him in Hell. What an evil destination! (4:115)

As for those who believe and then return to disbelief, and then again believe and then return to disbelief, and then increase in disbelief, Allah will not forgive them or guide them on any path. (4:137)

Because of wrongdoing on the part of the Jews, We made forbidden for them some good things which had previously been lawful for them; and because of their obstructing many people from the Way of Allah. (4:160)

Those who disbelieve and bar access to the Way of Allah have gone very far astray. (4:167)

Allah will not forgive those who disbelieve and do wrong or guide them on any path. (4:168)

As for those who believe in Allah and hold fast to Him, He will admit them into mercy and favour from Him and will guide them to Him on a straight path. (4:175)

Allah made a covenant with the tribe of Israel and We raised up twelve leaders from among them. Allah said, 'I am with you. If you perform prayer and give the alms, and believe in My Messengers and respect and support them, and make a generous loan to Allah, I will erase your wrong actions from you and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Any of you who disbelieve after that have gone astray from the right way.' (5:12)

By it, Allah guides those who follow what pleases Him to the ways of Peace. He will bring them from the darkness to the light by His permission, and guide them to a straight path. (5:16) You who believe! Have fear of Allah and seek the means of drawing near to Him, and strive in His Way, so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:35)

You who believe! If any of you renounce your religion, Allah will bring forward a people whom He loves and who love Him, humble to the believers, fierce to the disbelievers, who strive in the Way of Allah and do not fear the blame of any censurer. That is the unbounded favour of Allah which He gives to whoever He wills. Allah is Boundless, All-Knowing. (5:54)

Say: 'Shall I tell you of a reward with Allah far worse than that: that of those whom Allah has cursed and with whom He is angry—turning some of them into monkeys and into pigs—and who worshipped false gods? Such people are in a worse situation and further from the right way.' (5:60)

Say: 'People of the Book! Do not go to extremes in your religion, asserting other than the truth, and do not follow the whims and desires of people who were misguided previously and have misguided many others, and are far from the right way.' (5:77)

Those who deny Our Signs are deaf and dumb in utter darkness. Allah misguides whoever He

wills, and puts whoever He wills on a straight path. (6:39)

And some of their forebears, descendants and brothers; We chose them and guided them to a straight path. (6:87)

If you obeyed most of those on earth, they would misguide you from Allah's Way. They follow nothing but conjecture. They are only guessing. (6:116)

Your Lord knows best who is misguided from His Way and He knows best those who are guided. (6:117)

This is the path of your Lord—straight. We have made the Signs clear for people who remember. (6:126)

This is My Path and it is straight, so follow it. Do not follow other ways or you will become cut off from His Way. That is what He instructs you to do, so that hopefully you will guard against evil. (6:153)

Say: 'My Lord has guided me to a straight path, a well-founded religion, the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (6:161)

He (Satan) said, 'By Your misguidance of me, I will lie in ambush for them on your straight path.' (7:16)

(Between them a herald will proclaim: 'May the curse of Allah be on the wrongdoers,) those who bar access to the Way of Allah, seeking in it something crooked, and reject the hereafter.' (7:45)

Do not lie in wait on every pathway, threatening people, barring those who believe from the Way of Allah, seeking in it something crooked. Remember when you were few and He increased your number: see the final fate of the corrupters! (7:86)

We set aside thirty nights for Musa and then completed them with ten, so the appointed time of his Lord was forty nights in all. Musa said to his brother Harun, 'Take my place among my people. Keep order and do not follow the way of the corrupters.' (7:142)

I will divert from My Signs all those who are arrogant in the earth without any right. If they see every Sign, they will not believe in it. If they see

the way of right guidance, they will not take it as a way. But if they see the way of error, they will take that as a way. That is because they denied Our Signs and paid no attention to them. (7:146) Those who disbelieve spend their wealth barring access to the Way of Allah. They will spend it; then they will regret it; then they will be overthrown. Those who disbelieve will be gathered into Hell. (8:36)

Do not be like those who left their homes in arrogance, showing off to people and barring them from the way of Allah—Allah encompasses what they do. (8:47)

Arm yourselves against them with all the fire-power and cavalry you can muster, to terrify the enemies of Allah and your enemies, and others besides them whom you do not know. Allah knows them. Anything you spend in the Way of Allah will be repaid to you in full. You will not be wronged. (8:60)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah, and those who have given refuge and help, they are the friends and protectors of one another. But as for those who believe but have not migrated, you are not in any way responsible for their protection until they migrate. But if they ask you for help in respect of the religion, it is your duty to help them, except against people you have a treaty with. Allah sees what you do. (8:72)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived in the Way of Allah and those who have given refuge and help, they are the true believers. They will have forgiveness and generous provision. (8:74)

They have sold Allah's Signs for a paltry price, and they have barred access to His Way. What they have done is truly evil. (9:9)

Do you make the giving of water to the pilgrims and looking after the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) the same as believing in Allah and the Last Day and striving in the Way of Allah? They are not equal in the sight of Allah. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (9:19)

Those who believe and migrate and strive in the Way of Allah with their wealth and themselves

have a higher rank with Allah. They are the ones who are victorious. (9:20)

Say: 'If your fathers or your sons or your brothers or your wives or your tribe, or any wealth you have acquired, or any business you fear may slump, or any house which pleases you, are dearer to you than Allah and His Messenger and striving in His Way, then wait until Allah brings about His command. Allah does not guide people who are deviators.' (9:24)

You who believe! Many of the rabbis and monks devour people's property under false pretences and bar people from access to the Way of Allah. As for those who hoard up gold and silver and do not spend it in the Way of Allah, give them the news of a painful punishment. (9:34)

You who believe! What is the matter with you that when you are told, 'Go out and fight in the way of Allah,' you sink down heavily to the earth? Are you happier with this world than the hereafter? Yet the enjoyment of this world is very small compared to that of the hereafter. (9:38)

Go out to fight, light-armed and heavy-armed, and strive with your wealth and yourselves in the Way of Allah. That is better for you if you only knew. (9:41)

The alms are for: the poor, the destitute, those who collect it, reconciling people's hearts, freeing slaves, those in debt, spending in the Way of Allah, and travellers. It is a legal obligation from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:60)

Those who were left behind were glad to stay behind the Messenger of Allah. They did not want to strive with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah. They said, 'Do not go out to fight in the heat.' Say: 'The Fire of Hell is much hotter, if they only understood.' (9:81)

Allah has bought from the believers their selves and their wealth in return for the Garden. They fight in the Way of Allah and they kill and are killed. It is a promise binding on Him in the Torah, the Gospel and the Qur'an and who is truer to his contract than Allah? Rejoice then in the bargain you have made. That is the great victory. (9:111)

It was not for people of Madina, and the desert arabs around them, to remain behind the

Messenger of Allah nor to prefer themselves to him. That is because no thirst or weariness or hunger will afflict them in the Way of Allah, nor will they take a single step to infuriate the disbelievers, nor secure any gain from the enemy, without a right action being written down for them because of it. Allah does not let the wage of the good-doers go to waste. (9:120)

Allah calls to the Abode of Peace and He guides whom He wills to a straight path. (10:25)

Musa said, 'Our Lord, You have given Pharaoh and his ruling circle finery and wealth in the life of this world, Our Lord, so that they may be misguided from Your Way. Our Lord, obliterate their wealth and harden their hearts so that they do not believe until they see the painful punishment.' He said, 'Your request is answered, so go straight and do not follow the way of those who have no knowledge.' (10:88-89)

(Wrongdoers are) those who bar access to the way of Allah seeking in it something crooked and reject the hereafter. (11:19)

(Hud said,) 'I have put my trust in Allah, my Lord and your Lord. There is no creature He does not hold by the forelock. My Lord is on a Straight Path.' (11:56)

Say: 'This is my way. I call to Allah with inner sight, I and all who follow me. Glory be to Allah! I am not one of the idolaters!' (12:108)

Alif Lam Ra. This is a Book We have sent down to you so that you can bring mankind from the darkness to the light, by the permission of their Lord, to the Path of the Almighty, the Praiseworthy. (14:1)

Those who prefer the life of this world to the hereafter, and bar access to the way of Allah, seeking in it something crooked; they are greatly misguided. (14:3)

(Their Messengers said,) 'And why indeed should we not put our trust in Allah when He has guided us to our ways? We will be steadfast however much you harm us. Those who trust put their trust in Allah.' (14:12)

They have made others equal to Allah to misguide people from His Way. Say: 'Enjoy yourselves! Your destination is the Fire!' (14:30)

He said, 'This is a Straight Path to Me.' (15:41)

The Way should lead to Allah, but there are those who deviate from it. If He had wished He could have guided every one of you. (16:9)

Allah makes another metaphor: two men, one of them deaf and dumb, unable to do anything, a burden on his master, no matter where he directs him he brings no good, is he the same as someone who commands justice and is on a straight path? (16:76)

As for those who disbelieved and barred access to the way of Allah, We will heap punishment on top of their punishment because of the corruption they brought about. (16:88)

Do not make your oaths a means of deceiving one another or your foot will slip after it was firmly placed and you will taste evil for barring access to the Way of Allah and you will have a terrible punishment. (16:94)

He was thankful for His blessings. Allah chose him and guided him to a straight path. (16:121)

Call to the way of your Lord with wisdom and fair admonition, and argue with them in the kindest way. Your Lord knows best who is misguided from His way. And He knows best who are guided. (16:125)

This Qur'an guides to the most upright Way and gives good news to the believers who do right actions that they will have a large reward. (17:9)

Those who are blind in this world will be blind in the hereafter and even further off the Path. (17:72)

Say: 'Each man acts according to his nature, but your Lord knows best who is best guided on the Path.' (17:84)

Say: 'Call on Allah or call on the All-Merciful, whichever you call upon, the Most Beautiful Names are His.' Do not be too loud in your prayer or too quiet in it, but try to find a way between the two. (17:110)

'Allah is my Lord and your Lord so worship Him. This is a straight path.' (19:36)

(Ibrahim said to his father,) 'Father, knowledge which never reached you has come to me, so follow me and I will guide you to the right path.' (19:43)

Say: 'Everyone is waiting expectantly so wait expectantly. You will soon know who are the

Companions of the Right Path and who is guided.' (20:135)

Among people there is one who argues about Allah without knowledge or guidance or any light-giving Book, turning away arrogantly, to misguide people from the Way of Allah. He will be disgraced in this world and on the Day of Rising We will make him taste the punishment of the Burning. (22:8-9)

They have been guided to speak good words and guided to the praiseworthy path. (22:24)

Those who disbelieve and bar access to the Way of Allah and to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) which We have appointed for all mankind—equally for those who live near it and those who come from far away—those who desire to profane it with wrongdoing, We will let them taste a painful punishment. (22:25)

And (it is) so that those who have been given knowledge will know it is the truth from their Lord and believe in it and their hearts will be humbled to Him. Allah guides those who believe to a straight path. (22:54)

You are calling them to a straight path. (23:73)

But those who do not believe in the hereafter recoil from the path. (23:74)

Those of you possessing affluence and ample wealth should not make oaths that they will not give to their relatives and the very poor and those who have migrated in the way of Allah. They should rather pardon and overlook. Would you not love Allah to forgive you? Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:22)

We have sent down Signs making things clear. Allah guides whoever He wills to a straight path. (24:46)

On the Day We gather them together, and those they worship besides Allah, and say, 'Did you misguide these servants of Mine or did they stray from the way of their own accord?' (25:17)

The Day when a wrongdoer will bite his hands and say, 'Alas for me! If only I had gone the way of the Messenger!' (25:27)

Those who are herded headlong into Hell, such people are in the worst position. They are the most misguided from the way. (25:34)

Say: 'I do not ask you for any wage for it—only

that anyone who wants to should make his way towards his Lord.' (25:57)

(The hoopoe said,) 'I found both her and her people prostrating to the sun instead of Allah. Satan has made their actions seem good to them and debarred them from the Way so they are not guided.' (27:24)

When turned his face in the direction of Madyan, he (Musa) said, 'Hopefully my Lord will guide me to the right way.' (28:22)

And 'Ad and Thamud—it must be clear to you from their dwelling places! Satan made their actions seem good to them and so debarred them from the Way, even though they were intelligent people. (29:38)

As for those who strive in Our Way, We will guide them to Our Paths. Truly Allah is with the good-doers. (29:69)

But there are some people who trade in distracting tales to misguide people from Allah's Way knowing nothing about it and to make a mockery of it. Such people will have a humiliating punishment. (31:6)

(We have instructed man concerning his parents:) 'But if they try to make you associate something with Me about which you have no knowledge, do not obey them. Keep company with them correctly and courteously in this world but follow the Way of him who turns to Me. Then you will return to Me and I will inform you about the things you did.' (31:15)

Allah has not allotted to any man two hearts within his breast, nor has He made those of your wives you equate with your mothers your actual mothers, nor has He made your adopted sons your actual sons. These are just words coming out of your mouths. But Allah speaks the truth and He guides to the Way. (33:4)

And they will say, 'Our Lord, we obeyed our masters and great men and they misguided us from the Way.' (33:67)

Those who have been given knowledge see that what has been sent down to you from your Lord is the truth and that it guides to the Path of the Almighty, the Praiseworthy. (34:6)

Truly you are one of the Messengers on a Straight Path. 36:3-4)

Did I not make a contract with you, tribe of Adam, not to worship Satan, who truly is an outright enemy to you, but to worship Me? That is a straight path. (36:60-61)

We gave them the clarifying Book and guided them on the Straight Path. (37:117-118)

And (litigants) came in on Dawud who was alarmed by them. They said, 'Do not be afraid. We are two litigants, one of whom has acted unjustly towards the other, so judge between us with truth and do not be unjust and guide us to the Right Path.' (38:22)

(We said), 'Dawud! We have made you a successor on the earth, so judge between people with truth and do not follow your own desires, letting them misguide you from the Way of Allah. Those who are misguided from the Way of Allah will receive a harsh punishment because they forgot the Day of Reckoning.' (38:26)

When harm touches man he calls upon his Lord, repenting to Him. Then when He grants him a blessing from Him, he forgets what he was calling for before and ascribes rivals to Allah, so as to misguide others from His Way. Say: 'Enjoy your disbelief for a little while. You are among the Companions of the Fire.' (39:8)

Those who bear the Throne, and all those around it, glorify their Lord with praise and believe in Him and ask forgiveness for those who believe: 'Our Lord, You encompass everything in mercy and knowledge! Forgive those who turn to You and who follow Your Way and safeguard them from the punishment of the Blazing Fire.' (40:7)  
(A man among Pharaoh's people who believed, but kept his faith concealed, said,) 'My people! The kingdom is yours today, as masters in the land, but who will help us against Allah's violent force, if it comes upon us?' Pharaoh said, 'I only show you what I see myself and I only guide you to the path of rectitude.' (40:29)

Pharaoh said, 'Haman, build me a tower so that perhaps I may gain means of access, access to the heavens, so that I can look on Musa's God. Truly I think he is a liar.' That is how Pharaoh's evil actions were made attractive to him and he debarred others from the Path. Pharaoh's scheming led to nothing but ruin. (40:36-37)

The man who believed said, 'My people! Follow me and I will guide you to the path of rectitude.' (40:38)

Accordingly We have revealed to you a Spirit by Our command. You had no idea of what the Book was, nor faith. Nonetheless We have made it a Light by which We guide those of Our servants We will. Truly you are guiding to a Straight Path: the Path of Allah to Whom everything in the heavens and everything on the earth belongs. Indeed all matters return eventually to Allah. (42:52-53)

They (Satanas) debar them from the path, yet they still think they are guided. (43:37)

So hold fast to what has been revealed to you. You are on a straight path. (43:43)

He is a Sign of the Hour. Have no doubt about it. But follow me. This is a straight path. (43:61)

Do not let Satan bar your way. He truly is an outright enemy to you. (43:62)

('Isa said,) 'Allah is my Lord and your Lord so worship Him. This is a straight path.' (43:64)

They (a group of jinn) said, 'Our people, we have heard a Book which was sent down after Musa, confirming what came before it, guiding to the truth and to a straight path.' (46:30)

As for those who disbelieve and bar others from the Way of Allah, Allah will make their actions go astray. (47:1)

Therefore when you meet those who disbelieve strike their necks. Then when you have decimated them, tie their bonds tightly and set them free or ransom them, until the war is finally over. That is how it is to be. If Allah willed, He could avenge Himself on them. But it is so that He can test some of you by means of others. As for those who fight in the Way of Allah, He will not let their actions go astray. (47:4)

Those who disbelieve and obstruct the Way of Allah and are entrenched in hostility towards the Messenger after the guidance has become clear to them, do not harm Allah in any way and He makes their actions come to nothing. (47:32)

Those who disbelieve and obstruct the Way of Allah, and then die disbelievers, Allah will not forgive them. (47:34)

Here you are then: people who are called upon

to spend in the Way of Allah and then some of you are tight-fisted! But whoever is tight-fisted is only tight-fisted to himself. Allah is Rich and you are poor. If you turn away, He will replace you with a people other than yourselves and they will not be like you. (47:38)

Truly We have granted you a clear victory, so that Allah may forgive you your earlier errors and any later ones and complete His blessing upon you, and guide you on a Straight Path. (48:1-2)

Allah has promised you much booty which you will take, and has hastened this for you and held people's hands back from you, so that it might be a Sign to the believers, and so that He might guide you to a straight path. (48:20)

Know that the Messenger of Allah is among you. If he were to obey you in many things, you would suffer for it. However, Allah has given you love of faith and made it pleasing to your hearts, and has made disbelief, deviance and disobedience hateful to you. People such as these are rightly guided. (49:7)

The believers are only those who have believed in Allah and His Messenger and then have had no doubt and have strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah. They are the ones who are true to their word. (49:15)

That is as far as their knowledge extends. Your Lord knows best those who are misguided from His Way and He knows best those who are guided. (53:30)

And how is it with you that you do not give in the Way of Allah, when the inheritance of the heavens and the earth belongs to Allah? Those of you who gave and fought before the Victory are not the same as those who gave and fought afterwards. They are higher in rank. But to each of them Allah has promised the Best. Allah is aware of what you do. (57:10)

They made their oaths into a cloak and barred the Way of Allah, so they will have a humiliating punishment. (58:16)

You who believe! Do not take My enemy and your enemy as friends, showing love for them when they have rejected the truth that has come to you, driving out the Messenger and yourselves simply because you believe in Allah your Lord. If

you go out to strive in My Way and seeking My pleasure, keeping secret the love you have for them, I know best what you conceal and what you make known. Any of you who do that have strayed from the right way. (60:1)

Allah loves those who fight in His Way in ranks like well-built walls. (61:4)

It (the transaction which will save you from a painful punishment) is to believe in Allah and His Messenger and strive in the Way of Allah with your wealth and your selves. That is better for you if you only knew. (61:11)

They have made their oaths into a cloak and barred the Way of Allah. What they have done is truly evil. (63:2)

Then when they have reached the end of their waiting period either retain them with correctness and courtesy or part from them with correctness and courtesy. Call two upright men from among yourselves as witnesses and they should carry out the witnessing for Allah. This is admonishment for all who believe in Allah and the Last Day. Whoever has fear of Allah—He will give him a way out. (65:2)

Who is better guided: he who goes grovelling on his face or he who walks upright on a straight path? (67:22)

Your Lord knows best who is misguided from His Way and He knows best those who are guided. (68:7)

If only they were to go straight on the Path, We would give them abundant water to drink. (72:16)

This truly is a reminder, so let anyone who wills take the Way towards his Lord. (73:19)

Your Lord knows that you stay up nearly two-thirds of the night—or half of it, or a third of it—and a group of those with you. Allah determines the night and day. He knows you will not keep count of it, so He has turned towards you. Recite as much of the Qur'an as is easy for you. He knows that some of you are ill and that others are travelling in the land seeking Allah's bounty, and that others are fighting in the Way of Allah. So recite as much of it as is easy for you. And perform prayer and give the alms and lend a generous loan to Allah. Whatever good you send ahead for

yourselves you will find it with Allah as something better and as a greater reward. And seek forgiveness from Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (73:20)

We guided him on the Way, whether he is thankful or unthankful. (76:3)

This truly is a Reminder, so whoever wills should take the Way towards his Lord. (76:29)

Then He eases the way for him. (80:20)

## PATIENCE

Therefore be patient with a patience which is beautiful. (70:5)

Therefore wait patiently for the judgement of your Lord. Do not obey any evildoer or thankless man among them. (76:24)

If any of you do not have the means to marry free women who are believers, you may marry slave-girls who are believers. Allah knows best about your faith; you are all the same in that respect. Marry them with their owners' permission and give them their dowries correctly and courteously as married women, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. When they are married, if they commit fornication they should receive half the punishment of free women. This is for those of you who are afraid of committing fornication. But being patient is better for you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:25)

They will all parade before Allah and the weak will say to those who were arrogant, 'We followed you, so can you help us at all against the punishment of Allah?' They will say, 'If Allah had guided us, we would have guided you. It makes no difference whether we cannot stand it or bear it patiently. We have no way of escape.' (14:21)

If you want to retaliate, retaliate to the same degree as the injury done to you. But if you are patient, it is better to be patient. (16:126)

Be patient. But your patience is only by Allah. Do not be grieved by them and do not be constricted by the plots they hatch. (16:127)

Restrain yourself patiently with those who call on their Lord morning and evening, desiring His face. Do not turn your eyes from them, desiring the attractions of this world. And do not obey someone whose heart We have made neglectful

of Our remembrance and who follows his own whims and desires and whose life has transgressed all bounds. (18:28)

(He said to Musa,) 'How indeed could you bear with patience something you have not encompassed in your knowledge?' (18:68)

Musa said, 'You will find me patient, if Allah wills, and I will not disobey you in any matter.' (18:69)

If they had only been patient until you came out to them, it would have been better for them. But Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (49:5)

So be patient in the face of what they say and glorify your Lord with praise before the rising of the sun and before it sets. (50:39)

(The Day they are shoved roughly into the Fire of Hell, they will be told,) 'Roast in it! And bear it patiently or do not bear it patiently. It makes no difference either way. You are simply being repaid for what you did.' (52:16)

## PATTERN (SUNNAH)

Say to those who disbelieve that if they stop, they will be forgiven what is past; but if they return to it, they have the pattern of previous peoples in the past. (8:38)

That was the pattern with those We sent before you as Our Messengers. You will not find any changing of Our pattern. (17:77)

When guidance came to the people nothing prevented them from believing and asking for forgiveness from their Lord but the fact that the pattern of previous peoples did not happen to them or that the punishment did not appear before their eyes. (18:55)

There is no restriction on the Prophet regarding anything Allah allots to him. This was Allah's pattern with those who passed away before—and Allah's command is a pre-ordained decree. (33:38)

This is Allah's pattern with those who passed away before. You will not find any alteration in Allah's pattern. (33:62)

They swore by Allah with their most earnest oaths that if a warner came to them they would be better guided than any other community. But then when a warner did come to them, it only in-

creased their aversion, shown by their arrogance in the land and evil plotting. But evil plotting envelops only those who do it. Do they expect anything but the pattern of previous peoples? You will not find any changing in the pattern of Allah. You will not find any alteration in the pattern of Allah. (35:42-43)

But when they saw Our violent force their faith was of no use to them. That is the pattern Allah has always followed with His servants. Then and there the disbelievers were lost. (40:85)

That is Allah's pattern which has passed away before. You will not find any changing in the pattern of Allah. (48:23)

## PAYMENT

As for those who desire the life of this world and its finery, We will give them full payment in it for their actions. They will not be deprived here of their due. (11:15)

Are you asking them for payment? Your Lord's payment is better. He is the Best of Providers. (23:72)

## PEACE

They will have the Abode of Peace with their Lord. He is their Protector because of what they have done. (6:127)

If they (enemies) incline to peace, you too incline to it, and put your trust in Allah. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing. (8:61)

Allah calls to the Abode of Peace and He guides whom He wills to a straight path. (10:25)

Do not become faint-hearted and call for peace when you are uppermost and Allah is with you—He would never cheat you of your deeds. (47:35)

If two parties of the believers fight, make peace between them. But if one of them attacks the other unjustly, then fight the attackers until they revert to Allah's command. If they revert, make peace between them with justice, and be even-handed. Allah loves those who are even-handed. (49:9)

The believers are brothers, so make peace between your brothers and have fear of Allah so that hopefully you will gain mercy. (49:10)

(Those who guarded against evil will be told,) 'Enter it in peace. This is the Day of Timeless Eternity.' (50:34)

## PEACE OF HU'DAYBIYYAH

Truly We have granted you a clear victory, so that Allah may forgive you your earlier errors and any later ones and complete His blessing upon you, and guide you on a Straight Path and so that Allah may help you with a mighty help. (48:1-3) No, you thought that the Messenger and the believers were not going to return to their families, and that seemed pleasing to your hearts and you thought evil thoughts and you were a blighted people. (48:12)

When you go out to get the booty, those who remained behind will say, 'Allow us to follow you,' desiring to alter Allah's words. Say: 'You may not follow us. That is what Allah said before.' They will say, 'It is only because you envy us.' No indeed! How little they have understood! (48:15) Say to the Arabs who remained behind: 'You will be called up against a people who possess great force whom you must fight unless they submit. If you obey, Allah will give you an excellent reward. But if you turn your backs as you did before, He will punish you with a painful punishment.' (48:16)

Allah was pleased with the believers when they pledged allegiance to you under the tree. He knew what was in their hearts, and sent down serenity to them and has rewarded them with an imminent victory, and with much booty which they will take. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (48:18-19)

Allah has promised you much booty which you will take, and has hastened this for you and held people's hands back from you, so that it might be a Sign to the believers, and so that He might guide you to a straight path. (48:20)

And other booty you do not yet have the power to take—Allah has already encompassed it. Allah has power over all things. (48:21)

If those who disbelieve should fight you, they would turn their backs and then find no one to protect or help them. (48:22)

It is He Who held their hands back from you, and

your hands from them in the valley of Makka, after giving you the upper hand over them. Allah sees what you do. (48:24)

They are those who disbelieved and debarred you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and prevented the sacrifice from reaching its proper place, and had it not been for some men and women who are believers, whom you did not know and might trample underfoot, and so unknowingly incur blame on their account—so that Allah might admit into His mercy those He wills—and had those among them who disbelieve been clearly distinguishable, We would have punished them with a painful punishment. (48:25)

Those who disbelieve filled their hearts with fanatical rage—the fanatical rage of the Time of Ignorance—and Allah sent down serenity to His Messenger and to the believers, and bound them to the expression of heedfulness which they had most right to and were most entitled to. Allah has knowledge of all things. (48:26)

Allah has confirmed His Messenger's vision with truth: 'You will enter the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) in safety, Allah willing, shaving your heads and cutting your hair without any fear.' He knew what you did not know and ordained, in place of this, an imminent victory. (48:27)

It is He Who sent His Messenger with the Guidance and the Religion of Truth to exalt it over every other religion and Allah suffices as a witness. (48:28)

## **PEARL**

It is He Who made the sea subservient to you so that you can eat fresh flesh from it and bring out from it ornaments to wear. And you see the ships cleaving through it so that you can seek His bounty, and so that hopefully you will show thanks. (16:14)

But Allah will admit those who believe and do right actions into Gardens with rivers flowing under them where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. (22:23)

They will enter Gardens of Eden where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and

where their clothing will be of silk. (35:33)

There will be dark-eyed maidens with them, with eyes reserved for them alone, just like closely guarded pearls. (37:48-49)

Circulating among them there will be youths like hidden pearls. (52:24)

From out of them (the seas) come glistening pearls and coral. (55:22)

(In the Gardens there are maidens) like precious gems of ruby and pearl. (55:58)

And dark-eyed maidens like hidden pearls. (56:22-23)

Ageless youths will circulate among them, serving them. Seeing them, you would think them scattered pearls. (76:19)

## **PEN**

If all the trees on earth were pens and all the sea, with seven more seas besides, was ink Allah's words still would not run dry. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (31:27)

Nun. By the Pen and what they write down! (68: 1)

He Who taught by the pen, taught man what he did not know. (96:4-5)

## **PEOPLE OF AL-HIJR**

The people of al-Hijr denied the Messengers. (15:80)

## **PEOPLE OF THE BOOK**

### **(AHL AL-KITAB)**

Those of the People of the Book who disbelieve and the idolaters do not like anything good to be sent down to you from your Lord. But Allah selects for His mercy whomever He wills. Allah's favour is truly vast. (2:105)

Many of the People of the Book would love it if they could turn you back to disbelief after you have become believers, showing their innate envy now that the truth is clear to them. But you should pardon and overlook until Allah gives His command. Truly Allah has power over all things. (2:109)

Say, 'People of the Book! Come to a proposition which is the same for us and you—that we should worship none but Allah.' 'People of the Book!

Why do you argue concerning Ibrahim when the Torah and Gospel were only sent down after him? Why do you not use your intellect?' (3:64-65)

A group of the People of the Book would love to misguide you. They only misguide themselves but they are not aware of it. (3:69)

People of the Book! Why do you reject Allah's Signs when you yourselves are there as witnesses? (3:70)

People of the Book! Why do you mix truth with falsehood and knowingly conceal the truth? (3:71)

A group of the People of the Book say, 'At the beginning of the day, you should claim to believe in what was sent down to those who believe, and then at the end of the day, you should reject it, so that hopefully they will revert.' (3:72)

Among the People of the Book there are some who, if you entrust them with a pile of gold, will return it to you. But there are others among them who, if you entrust them with just a single dinar, will not return it to you, unless you stay standing over them. That is because they say, 'We are under no obligation where the gentiles are concerned.' They tell a lie against Allah and they know it. (3:75)

Say, 'People of the Book, why do you reject Allah's Signs when Allah is witness of everything you do?' (3:98)

Say, 'People of the Book, why do you bar those who believe from the Way of Allah, seeking in it something crooked, when you yourselves are witnesses to it? Allah is not unaware of what you do.' (3:99)

You are the best nation ever to be produced before mankind. You enjoin the right, forbid the wrong and believe in Allah. If the People of the Book were to believe, it would be better for them. Some of them are believers but most of them are deviators. (3:110)

They are not all the same. There is a community among the People of the Book who are upright. They recite Allah's Signs throughout the night, and they prostrate. (3:113)

Among the people of the Book there are some who believe in Allah and in what has been sent

down to you and what was sent down to them, and who are humble before Allah. They do not sell Allah's Signs for a paltry price. Such people will have their reward with their Lord. And Allah is swift at reckoning. (3:199)

It is not a matter of wishful thinking on your part nor of the wishful thinking of the People of the Book. Anyone who does evil will be repaid for it. He will not find any protector or helper besides Allah. (4:123)

The People of the Book will ask you to bring down a Book from heaven to them. They asked Musa for even more than that. They said, 'Let us see Allah with our own eyes.' So the lightning-bolt struck them down for their wrongdoing. Then they adopted the Calf after the Clear Signs had come to them, but We pardoned them for that and gave Musa clear authority. (4:153)

There is not one of the People of the Book who will not believe in him ('Isa son of Maryam) before he dies; and on the Day of Rising he will be a witness against them. (4:159)

People of the Book! Do not go to excess in your religion. Say nothing but the truth about Allah. The Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, was only the Messenger of Allah and His Word, which He cast into Maryam, and a Spirit from Him. So believe in Allah and His Messengers. Do not say, 'Three.' It is better that you stop. Allah is only One God. He is too Glorious to have a son! Everything in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Him. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:171)

People of the Book! Our Messenger has come to you, making clear to you much of the Book that you have kept concealed, and passing over a lot. A Light has come to you from Allah and a Clear Book. (5:15)

People of the Book! Our Messenger has come to you, making things clear to you, after a period with no Messengers, lest you should say, 'No one came to us bringing good news or warning.' Someone has come to you bringing good news and a warning. Allah has power over all things. (5:19)

Say: 'People of the Book! Do you resent us for any other reason than that we believe in Allah and what was sent down to us, and what was

sent down before, and because most of you are deviators?' (5:59)

If only the People of the Book had believed and guarded against evil, We would have erased their evil deeds from them and admitted them into Gardens of Delight. (5:65)

Say: 'People of the Book! You have nothing to stand on until you implement the Torah and the Gospel and what has been sent down to you from your Lord.' What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of them in insolence and disbelief. So do not waste your grief on the people of the disbelievers. (5:68)

Say: 'People of the Book! Do not go to extremes in your religion, asserting other than the truth, and do not follow the whims and desires of people who were misguided previously and have misguided many others, and are far from the right way.' (5:77)

Only argue with the People of the Book in the kindest way—except in the case of those of them who do wrong—saying, 'We believe in what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to you. Our God and your God are one and we submit to Him.' (29:46)

He brought down from their fortresses those of the People of the Book who supported them and cast terror into their hearts. You killed some of them and some you took prisoner. (33:26)

So that the People of the Book may know that they have no power at all over any of Allah's favour and that all favour is in the Hand of Allah.

He gives it to anyone He wills. Allah's favour is indeed immense. (57:29)

It is He Who expelled those who disbelieved among the People of the Book from their homes to the first gathering-place. You did not think that they would leave and they thought that their fortresses would protect them from Allah. Then Allah came upon them from where they least expected it and cast terror into their hearts. Their houses were pulled down by their own hands and by the hands of the believers. People of insight, take note! (59:2)

Did you not see the hypocrites saying to their brothers, those among the People of the Book who disbelieve, 'If you are driven out we will

leave with you, we will never obey anyone to your detriment. And if you are fought against we will help you?' Allah bears witness that they are truly liars. (59:11)

The People of the Book who disbelieve and are the idolaters would not be cut off until the Clear Sign came to them. (98:1)

The People of the Book who disbelieve and the idolaters will be in the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. They are the worst of creatures. (98:6)

## PEOPLE OF TUBBA'

Are they better or the people of Tubba' and those before them whom We destroyed? They were certainly evildoers. (44:37)

And the Companions of the Thicket and the people of Tubba' (also denied the truth). Each one denied the Messengers and My promise proved true. (50:14)

## PERSECUTION

Remember when We rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you—slaughtering your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial for you from your Lord. (2:49)

Remember when We rescued you from Pharaoh's people who were inflicting an evil punishment on you, killing your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord. (7:141)

Remember when Musa said to his people, 'Remember Allah's blessing to you when He rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you, slaughtering your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord.' (14:6)

(Their Messengers said,) 'And why indeed should we not put our trust in Allah when He has guided us to our ways? We will be steadfast however much you harm us. Those who trust put their trust in Allah.' (14:12)

But to those who migrated after they were persecuted and then strived and remained steadfast, to them your Lord is All-Compassionate, Most

Merciful. (16:110)

There are some people who say, 'We believe in Allah,' and then, when they suffer harm in Allah's cause, they take people's persecution for Allah's punishment; but if help comes from your Lord they say, 'We were with you.' Does Allah not know best what is in every person's heart? (29:10)

Those who persecute men and women of the believers, and then do not repent, will have the punishment of Hell, will have the punishment of the Burning. (85:10)

## PHARAOH

Remember when We rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you—slaughtering your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial for you from your Lord. (2:49)

And when We parted the sea for you and rescued you, and drowned the people of Pharaoh while you watched. (2:50)

As for those who disbelieve, their wealth and children will not help them against Allah in any way. They are fuel for the Fire, as was the case with the people of Pharaoh and those before them. They denied Our Signs so Allah seized them for their wrong actions. Allah is fierce in retribution. (3:10-11)

And then, after them, We sent Musa with Our Signs to Pharaoh and his ruling circle but they wrongfully rejected them. See the final fate of the corrupters! (7:103)

Musa said, 'Pharaoh! I am truly a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds, duty bound to say nothing about Allah except the truth. I have come to you with a Clear Sign from your Lord. So send the tribe of Israel away with me.' (7:104-105)

He (Pharaoh) said, 'If you have come with a Clear Sign produce it if you are telling the truth.' (7:106)

The ruling circle of Pharaoh's people said, 'This is certainly a skilled magician who desires to expel you from your land, so what do you recommend?' (7:109-110)

They said, 'Detain him and his brother and send out marshals to the cities, to bring you all the skilled magicians.' (7:111-112)

The magicians came to Pharaoh and they asked, 'Will we receive a reward if we are the winners?' (7:113)

He said, 'Yes, and you will be among those brought near.' (7:114)

They said, 'Musa, will you throw first or shall we be the ones to throw?' (7:115)

He said, 'You throw.' And when they threw, they cast a spell on the people's eyes and caused them to feel great fear of them. They produced an extremely powerful magic. (7:116)

We revealed to Musa, 'Throw down your staff.' And it immediately swallowed up what they had forged. (7:117)

So the Truth took place and what they did was shown to be false. (7:118)

They were defeated then and there, transformed into humbled men. (7:119)

The magicians threw themselves down in prostration. (7:120)

They said, 'We believe in the Lord of all the worlds, the Lord of Musa and Harun.' (7:121-122)

Pharaoh said, 'Have you believed in him before I authorised you to do so? This is just some plot you have concocted in the city to drive its people from it. I will cut off your alternate hands and feet and then I will crucify every one of you.' (7:123-124)

They said, 'We are returning to our Lord. You are only avenging yourself on us because we believed in our Lord's Signs when they came to us. Our Lord, pour down steadfastness upon us and take us back to You as Muslims.' (7:125-126)

The ruling circle of Pharaoh's people said, 'Are you going to leave Musa and his people to cause corruption in the earth and abandon you and your gods?' He said, 'We will kill their sons and let their women live. We have absolute power over them!' (7:127)

Musa said to his people, 'Seek help in Allah and be steadfast. The earth belongs to Allah. He bequeathes it to any of His servants He wills. The successful outcome is for those who guard against evil.' (7:128)

They said, 'We suffered harm before you came to us and after you came to us.' He said, 'It may

well be that your Lord is going to destroy your enemy and make you the successors in the land so that He can see how you behave.' (7:129)

We seized Pharaoh's people with years of drought and scarcity of fruits so that hopefully they would pay heed. (7:130)

Whenever a good thing came to them, they said, 'This is our due.' But if anything bad happened to them, they would blame their ill fortune on Musa and those with him. No indeed! The ill fortune is theirs in Allah's sight. But most of them did not know. (7:131)

They said, 'No matter what kind of Sign you bring us to bewitch us, we will not believe in you.' (7:132)

So We sent down on them floods, locusts, lice, frogs and blood, Signs, clear and distinct, but they proved arrogant and were an evildoing people. (7:133)

Whenever the plague came down on them they said, 'Musa, pray to your Lord for us by the contract He has with you. If you remove the plague from us, we will definitely believe in you and send the tribe of Israel away with you.' (7:134)

But when We removed the plague from them—for a fixed term which they fulfilled—they broke their word. (7:135)

Then We took revenge on them and drowned them in the sea because they denied Our Signs and paid no attention to them. (7:136)

And We bequeathed to the people who had been oppressed the easternmost part of the land We had blessed, and its westernmost part as well. The most excellent Word of your Lord was fulfilled for the tribe of Israel on account of their steadfastness. And We utterly destroyed what Pharaoh and his people made and the buildings they constructed. (7:137)

Remember when We rescued you from Pharaoh's people who were inflicting an evil punishment on you, killing your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord. (7:141)

Such was the case with Pharaoh's people and those before them. They rejected Allah's Signs so Allah seized them for their wrong actions. Allah is Strong, Severe in Retribution. (8:52)

That is because Allah would never change a blessing He has conferred on a people until they had changed what was in themselves. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (8:53)

Such was the case with Pharaoh's people and those before them. They denied their Lord's Signs so We destroyed them for their wrong actions. We drowned Pharaoh's people. All of them were wrongdoers. (8:54)

Then after them We sent Musa and Harun with Our Signs to Pharaoh and his ruling circle, but they were arrogant and were a people of evildoers. (10:75)

Musa said, 'Do you say to the truth when it comes to you, "This is magic"? Magicians are not successful.' (10:77)

Pharaoh said, 'Bring me every knowledgeable magician.' (10:79)

When the magicians came, Musa said to them, 'Throw whatever you have to throw!' (10:80)

When they had thrown, Musa said, 'What you have brought is magic. Allah will certainly prove it false. Allah does not uphold the actions of corrupters.' (10:81)

Allah confirms the Truth by His words, even though the evildoers hate it. (10:82)

No one believed in Musa except for a few of his people out of fear that Pharaoh, and the elders, would persecute them. Pharaoh was high and mighty in the land. He was one of the profligate. (10:83)

Musa said, 'My people! If you believe in Allah, then put your trust in Him, if you are Muslims.' (10:84)

They said, 'We have put our trust in Allah. Our Lord, Do not make us a target for this wrongdoing people, and rescue us, by Your mercy, from this disbelieving people!' (10:85-86)

We revealed to Musa and his brother: 'Settle your people in houses in Egypt and make your houses places of worship and perform prayer and give good news to the believers.' (10:87)

Musa said, 'Our Lord, You have given Pharaoh and his ruling circle finery and wealth in the life of this world, Our Lord, so that they may be misguided from Your Way. Our Lord, obliterate their wealth and harden their hearts so that they do

not believe until they see the painful punishment.' (10:88)

He said, 'Your request is answered, so go straight and do not follow the way of those who have no knowledge.' (10:89)

We brought the tribe of Israel across the sea and Pharaoh and his troops pursued them out of tyranny and enmity. Then, when he was on the point of drowning, he said, 'I believe that there is no god but Him in whom the tribe of Israel believe. I am one of the Muslims.' (10:90)

'What, now! When previously you rebelled and were one of the corrupters? Today We will preserve your body so you can be a Sign for people who come after you. Surely many people are heedless of Our Signs.' (10:91-92)

We sent Musa with Our Signs and clear authority to Pharaoh and his ruling circle. They followed Pharaoh's command but Pharaoh's command was not rightly guided. (11:96-97)

He will go ahead of his people on the Day of Rising and lead them down into the Fire. What an evil watering-hole to be led to! (11:98)

They are pursued by a curse in this world and on the Day of Rising. What an evil gift to be given! (11:99)

Remember when Musa said to his people, 'Remember Allah's blessing to you when He rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you, slaughtering your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord.'

(14:6)

We gave Musa nine Clear Signs. Ask the tribe of Israel about when he came to them and Pharaoh said to him, 'Musa, I think you are bewitched.' (17:101)

He said, 'You know that no one sent these down but the Lord of the heavens and earth to be clear proofs. Pharaoh, I think you are destroyed.' (17:102)

He wanted to scare them from the land but We drowned him and every one of those with him. (17:103)

(Allah said to Musa,) 'Go to Pharaoh. He has overstepped the bounds.' (20:24)

(Allah said to Musa,) 'Go to Pharaoh; he has

overstepped the bounds.' (20:43)

Pharaoh said, 'Who then is your Lord, Musa?' (20:49)

So Pharaoh went away and concocted his scheme and then he arrived. (20:60)

Pharaoh said, 'Do you believe in him before I have authorised you? He is your chief, the one who taught you magic. I will cut off your hands and feet alternately and have you crucified on palm trunks. Then you will know for certain which of us has the harsher and longer lasting punishment.' (20:71)

Pharaoh pursued them with his troops and the sea overwhelmed them utterly. (20:78)

Pharaoh misguided his people. He was no guide. (20:79)

Then We sent Musa and his brother Harun with Our Signs and clear authority to Pharaoh and his ruling circle. But they were proud and were a haughty people. (23:45-46)

When your Lord called out to Musa: 'Go to the wrongdoing people, the people of Pharaoh. Will they not guard against evil?' (26:10-11)

(Allah said to Musa,) 'Go to Pharaoh and say, "We are the Messenger of the Lord of all the worlds to tell you to send the tribe of Israel away with us."' (26:16-17)

He (Pharaoh) said, 'Did we not bring you up among us as a child and did you not spend many years of your life among us? Yet you did the deed you did and were ungrateful.' (26:18-19)

Pharaoh said, 'What is the Lord of all the worlds?' (26:23)

He said to the High Council round about him, 'This certainly is a skilled magician who desires by his magic to expel you from your land, so what do you recommend?' (26:34-35)

They said, 'Detain him and his brother and send out marshals to the cities, to bring you all the skilled magicians.' (26:36-37)

So the magicians were assembled for a meeting on a specified day. (26:38)

The people were asked, 'Are you all assembled so we can follow the magicians if they are the winners?' (26:39-40)

When the magicians came, they said to Pharaoh, 'Will we be rewarded if we are the winners?' (26:41)

He said, 'Yes, and in that case you will be among those brought near.' (26:42)

They threw down their ropes and staffs and said, 'By the might of Pharaoh we are the winners.' (26:44)

He (Pharaoh) said, 'Have you believed in him before I authorised you? He is your chief who taught you magic. But you will soon know! I will cut off your alternate hands and feet and I will crucify every one of you.' (26:49)

Pharaoh sent marshals into the cities: 'These people are a small group and we find them irritating and we constitute a vigilant majority.' (26:53-56)  
We expelled them from gardens and springs, from treasures and a splendid situation. (26:57-58)

(Allah said to Musa,) 'Put your hand inside your shirt front. It will emerge pure white, yet quite unharmed—one of nine Signs to Pharaoh and his people. They are a people of deviators.' (27:12)  
We recite to you with truth some news of Musa and Pharaoh for people who believe. (28:3)

Pharaoh exalted himself arrogantly in the land and divided its people into camps, oppressing one group of them by slaughtering their sons and letting their women live. He was one of the corrupters. (28:4)

We desired to show kindness to those who were oppressed in the land and to make them leaders and make them inheritors and establish them firmly in the land and to show Pharaoh and Haman and their troops the very thing that they were fearing from them. (28:5-6)

The family of Pharaoh picked him (Musa) up so that he might be an enemy and a source of grief to them. Certainly Pharaoh and Haman and their troops were in the wrong. (28:8)

The wife of Pharaoh said, 'A source of delight for me and for you; do not kill him. It may well be that he will be of use to us or perhaps we could adopt him as a son.' They were not aware. (28:9)

(Allah said to Musa,) 'Put your hand inside your shirt front. It will emerge pure white yet quite unharmed. And hug your arms to your sides to still your fear. These are two proofs from your Lord for Pharaoh and his ruling circle. They are a deviant people.' (28:32)

Pharaoh said, 'Council, I do not know of any other god for you apart from Me. Haman, kindle a fire for me over the clay and build me a lofty tower so that perhaps I may be able to climb up to Musa's god! I consider him a blatant liar.' (28:38)

He and his troops were arrogant in the land without any right. They thought that they would not return to Us. (28:39)

So We seized him and his troops and flung them into the sea. See the final fate of the wrongdoers! (28:40)

And Qarun and Pharaoh and Haman-Musa came with the Clear Signs to them, but they were arrogant on the earth. They could not outstrip Us. (29:39)

Before them the people of Nuh denied the truth, as did 'Ad and Pharaoh of the Stakes. (38:12)

We sent Musa with Our Signs and clear authority to Pharaoh, Haman and Qarun. But they said, 'A lying magician.' (40:23-24)

When he brought them the truth from Us they said, 'Slaughter the sons of those who believe with him but let their women live.' The strata-gems of the disbelievers are nothing but errors. (40:25)

Pharaoh said, 'Let me kill Musa and let him call upon his Lord! I am afraid that he may change your religion and bring about corruption in the land.' (40:26)

Musa said, 'I seek refuge in my Lord and your Lord from every proud man who does not believe in the Day of Reckoning.' (40:27)

A man among Pharaoh's people who believed, but kept his faith concealed, said, 'Are you going to kill a man for saying "My Lord is Allah" when he has brought you Clear Signs from your Lord? If he is telling a lie, be it on his own head. But if he is telling the truth, then some of what he is promising you will certainly happen to you. Allah does not guide any unbridled inveterate liar. My people! The kingdom is yours today, as masters in the land, but who will help us against Allah's violent force, if it comes upon us?' Pharaoh said, 'I only show you what I see myself and I only guide you to the path of rectitude.' (40:28-29)

Pharaoh said, 'Haman, build me a tower so that

perhaps I may gain means of access, access to the heavens, so that I can look on Musa's God. Truly I think he is a liar.' That is how Pharaoh's evil actions were made attractive to him and he debarred others from the Path. Pharaoh's scheming led to nothing but ruin. (40:36-37)

So Allah safeguarded him from the evil things they plotted and a most evil torment engulfed Pharaoh's people—the Fire, morning and night, to which they are exposed; and on the Day the Hour takes place: 'Admit Pharaoh's people to the harshest punishment!' (40:45-46)

We sent Musa with Our Signs to Pharaoh and his nobles. He said, 'I am the Messenger of the Lord of the worlds.' (43:46)

But when he came to them with Our Signs, they merely laughed at them. (43:47)

We showed them no Sign which was not greater than the one before it. We seized them with punishment so that hopefully they would turn back. (43:48)

They said, 'Magician, invoke your Lord for us by the contract He has made with you and we shall certainly follow the guidance.' (43:49)

But when We removed the punishment from them, they immediately broke their word. (43:50)

Pharaoh called to his people, saying, 'My people, does the kingdom of Egypt not belong to me? Do not all these rivers flow under my control? Do you not then see? Am I not better than this man who is contemptible and can scarcely make anything clear? Why have gold bracelets not been put upon his arms and why is there not a train of angels accompanying him?' (43:51-53)

In that way he swayed his people and they succumbed to him. They were a people of deviators. (43:54)

Then when they had provoked Our wrath, We took revenge on them and drowned every one of them. (43:55)

Before them We put Pharaoh's people to the test when a noble Messenger came to them, saying 'Hand over to me the servants of Allah. I am a trustworthy Messenger to you.' (44:17-18)

How many gardens and fountains they left behind, and ripe crops and noble residences. What comfort and ease they had delighted in! So it was.

Yet We bequeathed these things to another people. (44:25-28)

Neither heaven nor earth shed any tears for them and they were granted no reprieve. (44:29)

We rescued the tribe of Israel from the humiliating punishment, from Pharaoh—he was haughty, one of the profligate. (44:30-31)

Before them the people of Nuh also denied the truth and the Companions of Rass and Thamud, and 'Ad and Pharaoh and the brothers of Lut. (50:12-13)

And also in Musa when We sent him to Pharaoh with clear authority. (51:38)

But he turned away with his forces, saying, 'A magician or a madman!' (51:39)

So We seized him and his armies and hurled them into the sea, and he was to blame. (51:40)

Warnings came to Pharaoh's people. (54:41)

Allah has made an example for those who believe: the wife of Pharaoh when she said, 'My Lord, build a house in the Garden for me in Your presence and rescue me from Pharaoh and his deeds and rescue me from this wrongdoing people.' (66:11)

Pharaoh and those before him and the Overturned Cities made a great mistake. (69:9)

We have sent you a Messenger to bear witness against you just as We sent Pharaoh a Messenger. (73:15)

But Pharaoh disobeyed the Messenger, so We seized him with terrible severity. (73:16)

(Allah said to Musa,) 'Go to Pharaoh—he has overstepped the limits.' (79:17)

So Allah made an example of him seizing him with punishment in this world and the hereafter. (79:25)

Has the story reached you of the legions of Pharaoh and Thamud? (85:17-18)

Do you not see what your Lord did with 'Ad—Iram of the Columns whose like was not created in any land—and Thamud who carved out rocks in the valley-side, and Pharaoh of the Stakes, all of whom were tyrants in their lands and caused much corruption in them? (89:6-12)

## PIG

Say: 'Shall I tell you of a reward with Allah far

worse than that: that of those whom Allah has cursed and with whom He is angry—turning some of them into monkeys and into pigs—and who worshipped false gods? Such people are in a worse situation and further from the right way.’ (5:60)

### PILGRIMAGE (HAJJ)

Safa and Marwa are among the Landmarks of Allah, so anyone who goes on pilgrimage to the House or does the pious visit incurs no wrong in going back and forth between them. If anyone spontaneously does good, Allah is All-Thankful, All-Knowing. (2:158)

They will ask you about the crescent moons. Say, ‘They are set times for mankind and for the pilgrimage.’ It is not devoutness for you to enter houses by the back. Rather devoutness is possessed by those who guard against evil. So come to houses by their doors and have fear of Allah, so that hopefully you will be successful. (2:189) Perform the pilgrimage and the pious visit for Allah. If you are forcibly prevented, make whatever sacrifice is feasible. But do not shave your heads until the sacrificial animal has reached the place of sacrifice. If any of you are ill or have a head injury, the expiation is fasting or charity or sacrifice when you are safe and well again. And if you are secure, then he who takes advantage of a pious visit before the pilgrimage should make whatever sacrifice is feasible. For any one who cannot, there is three days’ fast on pilgrimage and seven on your return—that is ten in all. That is for anyone whose family does not live near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Have fear of Allah and know that Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:196)

The pilgrimage takes place during certain well-known months. If anyone undertakes the obligation of pilgrimage in them, there must be no sexual intercourse, no wrongdoing, nor any quarrelling during pilgrimage. Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. Take provision; but the best provision is fear of Allah. So have fear of Me, people of intelligence! (2:197)

There is nothing wrong in seeking bounty from your Lord. When you pour down from Arafat, re-

member Allah at the Sacred Landmark. Remember Him because He has guided you, even though before this you were astray. (2:198) When you have completed your rites, remember Allah as you used to remember your forefathers—or even more. There are some people who say, ‘Our Lord, give us good in this world.’ They will have no share in the hereafter. (2:200)

Remember Allah on the designated days. Those who hurry on in two days have done no wrong, and those who stay another day have done no wrong—those of them who guard against evil. So have fear of Allah. And know that you will be gathered back to Him. (2:203)

In it are Clear Signs—the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray). All who enter it are safe. Pilgrimage to the House is a duty owed to Allah by all mankind—those who can find a way to do it. But if anyone disbelieves, Allah is Rich Beyond Need of any being. (3:97)

You who believe! Fulfil your contracts. All livestock animals are lawful for you, except those that are recited to you now; but it is still not lawful to hunt while you are in the state of pilgrimage. Allah makes whatever judgements He wills. (5:1)

You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

You who believe! Do not kill game while you are in the state of pilgrimage. If one of you kills any deliberately, the reprisal for it is a livestock animal equivalent to what he killed, as judged by two just men among you, a sacrifice to reach the Kaaba, or expiation by feeding the poor, or fasting commensurate with that, so that he may taste the evil consequences of what he did. Allah has pardoned all that took place in the past; but if anyone does it

again Allah will take revenge on him. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (5:95)

Anything you catch in the sea is lawful for you, and all food from it, for your enjoyment and that of travellers, but land game is forbidden for you while you are in the state of pilgrimage. So have fear of Allah, Him to Whom you will be gathered. (5:96)

Those who disbelieve and bar access to the Way of Allah and to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) which We have appointed for all mankind—equally for those who live near it and those who come from far away—those who desire to profane it with wrongdoing, We will let them taste a painful punishment. (22:25)

Announce the Pilgrimage to mankind. They will come to you on foot and on every sort of lean animal, coming by every distant road. (22:27)

### **PIOUS VISIT ('UMRA)**

Safa and Marwa are among the Landmarks of Allah, so anyone who goes on pilgrimage to the House or does the pious visit incurs no wrong in going back and forth between them. If anyone spontaneously does good, Allah is All-Thankful, All-Knowing. (2:158)

Perform the pilgrimage and the pious visit for Allah. If you are forcibly prevented, make whatever sacrifice is feasible. But do not shave your heads until the sacrificial animal has reached the place of sacrifice. If any of you are ill or have a head injury, the expiation is fasting or charity or sacrifice when you are safe and well again. And if you are secure, then he who takes advantage of a pious visit before the pilgrimage should make whatever sacrifice is feasible. For any one who cannot, there is three days' fast on pilgrimage and seven on your return—that is ten in all. That is for anyone whose family does not live near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Have fear of Allah and know that Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:196)

### **PLANK**

We bore him (Nuh) on a planked and well-caulked ship. (54:13)

### **PLANT**

Good land yields up its plants by its Lord's permission, but that which is bad only yields up scantily. In this way We vary the Signs for people who are thankful. (7:58)

The metaphor of the life of this world is that of water which We send down from the sky, and which then mingles with the plants of the earth to provide food for both people and animals. Then, when the earth is at its loveliest and takes on its fairest guise and its people think they have it under their control, Our command comes upon it by night or day and We reduce it to dried-out stubble, as though it had not been flourishing just the day before! In this way We make Our Signs clear for people who reflect. (10:24)

Make a metaphor for them of the life of this world. It is like water which We send down from the sky and the plants of the earth combine with it but then become dry chaff scattered by the winds. Allah has absolute power over everything. (18:45)

It is He Who made the earth a cradle for you and threaded pathways for you through it and sent down water from the sky by which We have brought forth various different types of plants. (20:53)

Mankind! If you are in any doubt about the Rising, know that We created you from dust then from a drop of sperm then from a clot of blood then from a lump of flesh, formed yet unformed, so We may make things clear to you. We make whatever We want stay in the womb until a specified time and then We bring you out as children so that you can reach your full maturity. Some of you die and some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that, after having knowledge, they then know nothing at all. And you see the earth dead and barren; then when We send down water onto it it quivers and swells and sprouts with luxuriant plants of every kind. (22:5)

But they turned away so We unleashed against them the flood from the great dam and exchanged their two gardens for two others containing bitter-tasting plants and tamarisk and a few lotus trees. (34:16)

And (have they not looked at) the earth: how We

stretched it out and cast firmly embedded mountains onto it and caused luxuriant plants of every kind to grow in it. (50:7)

Know that the life of this world is merely a game and a diversion and ostentation and a cause of boasting among yourselves and trying to outdo one another in wealth and children: like the plant-growth after rain which delights the cultivators, but then it withers and you see it turning yellow, and then it becomes broken stubble. In the hereafter there is terrible punishment but also forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure. The life of this world is nothing but the enjoyment of delusion. (57:20)

We sent down cascading water from the clouds so that by it We might bring forth grains and plants. (78:14-15)

### **PLEASURE OF ALLAH**

And among the people there are some who give up everything, desiring the good pleasure of Allah. Allah is Ever-Gentle with His servants. (2:207)

The metaphor of those who spend their wealth, desiring the pleasure of Allah and firmness for themselves, is that of a garden on a hillside. When heavy rain falls on it, it doubles its produce; and if heavy rain does not fall, there is dew. Allah sees what you do. (2:265)

You are not responsible for their guidance, but Allah guides whoever He wills. Whatever good you give away is to your own benefit, when you give desiring only the Face of Allah. Whatever good you give away will be repaid to you in full. You will not be wronged. (2:272)

Say, 'Shall I tell you of something better than that?' Those who guard against evil will have Gardens with their Lord, with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and purified wives, and the Pleasure of Allah. Allah sees His servants. (3:15)

Is someone who pursues the pleasure of Allah the same as someone who incurs displeasure from Allah and whose refuge is Hell? What an evil destination! (3:162)

So they returned with blessings and bounty from Allah and no evil touched them. They pursued

the pleasure of Allah. Allah's favour is indeed immense. (3:174)

There is no good in much of their secret talk, except in the case of those who enjoin charity, or what is right, or putting things right between people. If anyone does that, seeking the pleasure of Allah, We will give him an immense reward. (4:114)

You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

By it, Allah guides those who follow what pleases Him to the ways of Peace. He will bring them from the darkness to the light by His permission, and guide them to a straight path. (5:16) Allah has promised the men and women of the believers Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and fine dwellings in the Gardens of Eden. And Allah's good pleasure is even greater. That is the great victory. (9:72)

The forerunners—the first of the Migrants (Muhajirun) and the Supporters (Ansar)—and those who have followed them in doing good: Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. He has prepared Gardens for them with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. That is the great victory. (9:100)

Who is better: someone who finds his building on fear of Allah and His good pleasure, or someone who finds his building on the brink of a crumbling precipice so that it collapses with him into the Fire of Hell? Allah does not love wrong-doers. (9:109)

(People of intelligence are) those who are steadfast in seeking the face of their Lord, and perform prayer and give from the provision We have

given them, secretly and openly, and stave off evil with good, it is they who will have the Ultimate Abode. (13:22)

Restrain yourself patiently with those who call on their Lord morning and evening, desiring His face. Do not turn your eyes from them, desiring the attractions of this world. And do not obey someone whose heart We have made neglectful of Our remembrance and who follows his own whims and desires and whose life has transgressed all bounds. (18:28)

He (Musa) said, 'They are following in my tracks. I have hurried on ahead to you, My Lord, to gain Your good pleasure.' (20:84)

On that Day intercession will not be of any use except for him whom the All-Merciful has authorised and with whose speech He is well-pleased. (20:109)

He knows what is in front of them and what is behind them. They (angels) only intercede on behalf of those with whom He is pleased, and even they are apprehensive out of fear of Him. (21:28) He (Sulayman) smiled, laughing at its words, and said, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing You have bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You, and admit me, by Your mercy, among Your servants who are righteous.' (27:19)

And Lut believed in him. He said, 'I am leaving this place to follow the pleasure of my Lord. He is the Almighty, the All Wise.' (29:26)

Give relatives their due, and the poor and travellers. That is best for those who seek the pleasure of Allah. They are the ones who are successful. (30:38)

What you give with usurious intent, aiming to get back a greater amount from people's wealth, does not become greater with Allah. But anything you give as alms, seeking the Face of Allah—all who do that will get back twice as much. (30:39)

If you are ungrateful, Allah is rich beyond need of any of you and He is not pleased with ingratitude in His servants. But if you are grateful, He is pleased with you for that. No burden-bearer can bear another's burden. Then you will return to your Lord and He will inform you of what you

did. He knows what the heart contains. (39:7) Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and those who are with him are fierce to the disbelievers, merciful to one another. You see them bowing and prostrating, seeking Allah's good favour and His pleasure. Their mark is on their faces, the traces of prostration. That is their likeness in the Torah. And their likeness in the Gospel is that of a seed which puts up a shoot and makes it strong so that it thickens and grows up straight upon its stalk, filling the sowers with delight—so that by them He may infuriate the disbelievers. Allah has promised those of them who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (48:29)

Know that the life of this world is merely a game and a diversion and ostentation and a cause of boasting among yourselves and trying to outdo one another in wealth and children: like the plant-growth after rain which delights the cultivators, but then it withers and you see it turning yellow, and then it becomes broken stubble. In the hereafter there is terrible punishment but also forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure. The life of this world is nothing but the enjoyment of delusion. (57:20)

Then We sent Our Messengers following in their footsteps and sent 'Isa son of Maryam after them, giving him the Gospel. We put compassion and mercy in the hearts of those who followed him. They invented monasticism—We did not prescribe it for them—purely out of desire to gain the pleasure of Allah, but even so they did not observe it as it should have been observed. To those of them who believed We gave their reward but many of them are deviators. (57:27)

It (the booty) is for the poor of the emigrants who were driven from their homes and wealth desiring the favour and the pleasure of Allah and supporting Allah and His Messenger. Such people are the truly sincere. (59:8)

You who believe! Do not take My enemy and your enemy as friends, showing love for them when they have rejected the truth that has come to you, driving out the Messenger and yourselves simply because you believe in Allah your Lord. If you go out to strive in My Way and seeking My

pleasure, keeping secret the love you have for them, I know best what you conceal and what you make known. Any of you who do that have strayed from the right way. (60:1)

(Believers say,) 'We feed you only out of desire for the Face of Allah. We do not want any repayment from you or any thanks.' (76:9)

'O self at rest and at peace, return to your Lord, well-pleasing and well-pleased!' (89:27-28)

(Those who guard against evil are) those who give their wealth to purify themselves—not to repay someone else for a favour done—desiring only the Face of their Lord Most High. (92:18-20)

### PLOT

They plotted and Allah plotted. But Allah is the best of plotters. (3:54)

And likewise in every city We set up its greatest wrongdoers to plot in it. They plot against themselves alone, but they are not aware of it. (6:123)

When a Sign comes to them, they say, 'We will not believe until we have been given the same as the Messengers of Allah were given.' Allah knows best where to place His Message. Debasement in the sight of Allah and a severe punishment will strike those who did wrong for the plots that they concocted. (6:124)

Pharaoh said, 'Have you believed in him before I authorised you to do so? This is just some plot you have concocted in the city to drive its people from it.' (7:123)

When those who disbelieve were plotting against you to imprison you or kill you or expel you: they were plotting and Allah was plotting, but Allah is the Best of Plotters. (8:30)

When We let people taste mercy after hardship has afflicted them, immediately they plot against Our Signs. Say: 'Allah is swifter at plotting.' Your plotting is recorded by Our Messengers. (10:21)

What then of Him Who is standing over every self seeing everything it does? Yet still they associate others with Allah! Say: 'Name them! Or would you inform Him of something in the earth He does not know, or are they words which are simply guesswork on your part?' However, the plotting of those who disbelieve seems good to them and they bar the way. Anyone misguided

by Allah has no guide. (13:33)

Those before them plotted but all plotting belongs to Allah. He knows what each self earns, and the disbelievers will soon know who has the Ultimate Abode. (13:42)

They concocted their plots, but their plots were with Allah, even if they were such as to make the mountains vanish. (14:46)

Those before them also plotted, and Allah came at their building from the foundations and the roof caved in on top of them. The punishment came at them from where they did not expect. (16:26)

Be patient. But your patience is only by Allah. Do not be grieved by them and do not be constricted by the plots they hatch. (16:127)

They hatched a plot and We hatched a plot while they were not aware. (27:50)

So look at the end result of all their plotting; We utterly destroyed them and their whole people! (27:51)

Do not grieve over them and do not let the plots they make distress you. (27:70)

They swore by Allah with their most earnest oaths that if a warner came to them they would be better guided than any other community. But then when a warner did come to them, it only increased their aversion, shown by their arrogance in the land and evil plotting. But evil plotting envelops only those who do it. Do they expect anything but the pattern of previous peoples? You will not find any changing in the pattern of Allah. You will not find any alteration in the pattern of Allah. (35:42-43)

So Allah safeguarded him (Musa) from the evil things they plotted and a most evil torment engulfed Pharaoh's people. (40:45)

They have hatched a mighty plot. (71:22)

They are hatching a plot. (86:15)

### POET

Furthermore they say, 'A muddled jumble of dreams!' and, 'He has invented it!' and, 'He is a poet!' and, 'Let him bring us a Sign like those sent to previous peoples.' (21:5)

And as for poets, it is the misled who follow them. (26:224)

They said, 'Are we to forsake our gods for a mad poet?' (37:36)

Or do they say, 'He is a poet and We are waiting for something bad to happen to him?' (52:30)

It is not the word of a poet—how little faith you have! (69:41)

### **POLL TAX (JIZYA)**

Fight those of the people who were given the Book who do not believe in Allah and the Last Day and who do not make forbidden what Allah and His Messenger have made forbidden and do not take as their religion the religion of Truth, until they pay the poll tax with their own hands in a state of complete abasement. (9:29)

### **POMEGRANATE**

It is He Who sends down water from the sky from which We bring forth growth of every kind, and from that We bring forth the green shoots and from them We bring forth close-packed seeds, and from the spathes of the date palm date clusters hanging down, and gardens of grapes and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Look at their fruits as they bear fruit and ripen. There are Signs in that for people who believe. (6:99)

It is He Who produces gardens, both cultivated and wild, and palm-trees and crops of diverse kinds, and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Eat of their fruits when they bear fruit and pay their due on the day of their harvest, and do not be profligate. He does not love the profligate. (6:141)

### **PONDER (TAFAKKUR)**

Will they not ponder the Qur'an? If it had been from other than Allah, they would have found many inconsistencies in it. (4:82)

Do they not ponder these words? Has anything come to them that did not come to their ancestors, the previous peoples? (23:68)

It is a Book We have sent down to you, full of blessing, so let people of intelligence ponder its Signs and take heed. (38:29)

Will they not then ponder the Qur'an or are there locks upon their hearts? (47:24)

### **POOR**

Remember when We made a covenant with the tribe of Israel: 'Worship none but Allah and be good to your parents and to relatives and orphans and the very poor. And speak good words to people. And perform prayer and give the alms.' But then you turned away—except a few of you—you turned aside. (2:83)

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

(Fasting is prescribed) for a specified number of days. But any of you who are ill or on a journey should fast a number of other days. For those who can (scarcely) afford it, making up for it means feeding a poor man. And if someone does good of his own accord, it is better for him. But that you should fast is better for you, if you only knew. (2:184)

They will ask you what they should give away. Say, 'Any wealth you give away should go to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor and travellers.' Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. (2:215)

If you make your charity public, that is good. But if you conceal it and give it to the poor, that is better for you, and We will erase some of your bad actions from you. Allah is aware of what you do. (2:271)

It (charity) is for the poor who are held back in the Way of Allah, unable to travel in the land. The ignorant consider them rich because of their reticence. You will know them by their mark. They do not ask from people insistently. Whatever good you give away, Allah knows it. (2:273)

Allah has heard the words of those who say,

'Allah is poor and we are rich.' We will write down what they said and their killing of the Prophets without any right to do so and We will say, 'Taste the punishment of the Burning.' (3:181)

Keep a close check on orphans until they reach a marriageable age, then if you perceive that they have sound judgement hand over their property to them. Do not consume it extravagantly and precipitately before they come of age. Those who are wealthy should abstain from it altogether. Those who are poor should use it sensibly and correctly. When you hand over their property to them ensure that there are witnesses on their behalf. Allah suffices as a Reckoner. (4:6) If other relatives or orphans or poor people attend the sharing-out (of what one leaves), provide for them out of it and speak to them correctly and courteously. (4:8)

Worship Allah and do not associate anything with Him. Be good to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to neighbours who are related to you and neighbours who are not related to you, and to companions and travellers and your slaves. Allah does not love anyone vain or boastful. (4:36)

You who believe! Be upholders of justice, bearing witness for Allah alone, even against yourselves or your parents and relatives. Whether they are rich or poor, Allah is well able to look after them. Do not follow your own desires and deviate from the truth. If you twist or turn away, Allah is aware of what you do. (4:135)

Allah does not take you to task for your inadvertent oaths, but He will take you to task for oaths you make intentionally. The expiation in that case is to feed ten poor people with the average amount you feed your family, or clothe them, or free a slave. Anyone without the means to do so should fast three days. That is the expiation for breaking oaths when you have sworn them. Keep your oaths. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:89)

You who believe! Do not kill game while you are in the state of pilgrimage. If one of you kills any deliberately, the reprisal for it is a livestock ani-

mal equivalent to what he killed, as judged by two just men among you, a sacrifice to reach the Kaaba, or expiation by feeding the poor, or fasting commensurate with that, so that he may taste the evil consequences of what he did. Allah has pardoned all that took place in the past; but if anyone does it again Allah will take revenge on him. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (5:95)

Know that when you take any booty a fifth of it belongs to Allah, and to the Messenger, and to close relatives, orphans, the very poor and travellers, if you believe in Allah and in what We sent down to Our servant on the Day of Discrimination, the day the two groups met—Allah has power over all things. (8:41)

The alms are for: the poor, the destitute, those who collect it, reconciling people's hearts, freeing slaves, those in debt, spending in the Way of Allah, and travellers. It is a legal obligation from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:60)

Give your relatives their due, and the very poor and travellers but do not squander what you have. (17:26)

Do not kill your children out of fear of being poor. We will provide for them and you. Killing them is a terrible mistake. (17:31)

(He said to Musa,) 'As for the boat, it belonged to some poor people who worked on the sea. I wanted to damage it because a king was coming behind them, commandeering every boat.' (18:79)

Announce the Pilgrimage to mankind. They will come to you on foot and on every sort of lean animal, coming by every distant road so that they can be present at what will profit them and invoke Allah's name on specific days over livestock He has provided for them. Eat of them and feed those who are poor and in need. (22:27-28)

We have appointed the sacrificial animals for you as one of the sacred rites of Allah. There is good in them for you, so invoke Allah's name over them, as they stand in rows. And then when they collapse on their sides, eat of them and feed both those who ask and those who are too shy to ask. In this way We have subjected them to you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (22:36)

Those of you possessing affluence and ample wealth should not make oaths that they will not give to their relatives and the very poor and those who have migrated in the way of Allah. They should rather pardon and overlook. Would you not love Allah to forgive you? Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:22)

Marry off those among you who are unmarried and those of your slaves and slavegirls who are righteous. If they are poor, Allah will enrich them from His bounty. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing. (24:32)

Give relatives their due, and the poor and travellers. That is best for those who seek the pleasure of Allah. They are the ones who are successful. (30:38)

Mankind! You are the poor in need of Allah whereas Allah is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy. (35:15)

Here you are then: people who are called upon to spend in the Way of Allah and then some of you are tight-fisted! But whoever is tight-fisted is only tight-fisted to himself. Allah is Rich and you are poor. If you turn away, He will replace you with a people other than yourselves and they will not be like you. (47:38)

Anyone who cannot find the means must fast for two consecutive months before the two of them may touch one another again. And anyone who is unable to do that must feed sixty poor people. That is to affirm your faith in Allah and His Messenger. These are Allah's limits. The disbelievers will have a painful punishment. (58:4)

Whatever booty Allah gives to His Messenger from city dwellers belongs to Allah and to the Messenger and to near relatives and orphans and the very poor and travellers, so that it does not become something which merely revolves between the rich among you. Whatever the Messenger gives you you should accept and whatever he forbids you you should forgo. Have fear of Allah—Allah is severe in retribution. (59:7) It (the booty) is for the poor of the emigrants who were driven from their homes and wealth desiring the favour and the pleasure of Allah and supporting Allah and His Messenger. Such people are the truly sincere. (59:8)

So they set off, quietly saying to one another, 'Do not let any poor man into it today while you are there.' (68:23-24)

He used not to believe in Allah the Magnificent, nor did he urge the feeding of the poor. (69:33-34)

They will say, 'We were not among those who performed prayer and we did not feed the poor.' (74:43-44)

They give food, despite their love for it, to the poor and orphans and captives. (76:8)

No indeed! You do not honour orphans nor do you urge the feeding of the poor; (89:17-18)

What will convey to you what the steep ascent is? It is freeing a slave or feeding on a day of hunger an orphaned relative or a poor man in the dust; (90:12-16)

He is the one who harshly rebuffs the orphan and does not urge the feeding of the poor. (107:2-3)

## PORK

He has only forbidden you carrion, blood and pork and what has been consecrated to other than Allah. But anyone who is forced to eat it—without desiring it or going to excess in it—commits no crime. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:173)

Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and animals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviance. Today those who disbelieve have despaired of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3) Say: 'I do not find, in what has been revealed to me, any food it is forbidden to eat except for car-

rion, flowing blood, and pork—for that is unclean—or some deviance consecrated to other than Allah. But if anyone is forced to eat it, without desiring to or going to excess in it, your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.’ (6:145)

He has forbidden you carrion, blood and pork and anything consecrated to other than Allah. But if someone is forced to eat it, without desiring to or going to excess in it, your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (16:115)

## POVERTY

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

Or did you suppose that you would enter the Garden without facing the same as those who came before you? Poverty and illness afflicted them and they were shaken to the point that the Messenger and those who believed with him said, ‘When is Allah’s help coming?’ Be assured that Allah’s help is very near. (2:214)

Satan promises you poverty and commands you to avarice. Allah promises you forgiveness from Him and abundance. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing. (2:268)

Say: ‘Come and I will recite to you what your Lord has made forbidden for you’: that you do not associate anything with Him; that you are good to your parents; that you do not kill your children because of poverty—We will provide for you and them; that you do not approach indecency—outward or inward; that you do not kill any person Allah has made inviolate—except with the right to do so. That is what He instructs you to do so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (6:151)

## POWERLESSNESS

What you are promised will come about and you can do nothing to prevent it. (6:134)

Do not imagine that those who disbelieve have got ahead. They are quite powerless. (8:59)

An announcement to those idolaters you have a general treaty with that Allah and His Messenger are free of them: ‘You may travel about in the land for four months and know that you cannot thwart Allah and that Allah will humiliate the disbelievers.’ (9:1-2)

A proclamation from Allah and His Messenger to mankind on the day of the greater pilgrimage: ‘Allah is free of the idolaters, as is His Messenger. If you repent, it will be better for you. But if you turn your backs, know that you cannot thwart Allah.’ Give those who disbelieve the news of a painful punishment. (9:3)

They will ask you to tell them if this is true. Say: ‘Yes indeed, by my Lord, it certainly is true and you can do nothing to prevent it.’ (10:53)

They were not able to thwart Allah on earth, and had no protectors besides Allah. The punishment will be doubled for them. They were unable to hear and could not see. (11:20)

He (Nuh) said, ‘Allah will bring it to you if He wills and you will not be able to prevent it.’ (11:33)

Or that He will not seize them on their travels, something they are powerless to prevent. (16:46)

Do not imagine that those who disbelieve are able to escape Allah on earth. Their shelter will be the Fire. What an evil destination! (24:57)

Have they not travelled in the land and seen the final fate of those before them? They were far greater than them in strength. Allah cannot be withheld in any way, either in the heavens or on earth. He is All-Knowing, All-Powerful. (35:44)

The evil deeds they earned caught up with them. And the evil deeds which the wrongdoers among these people earn will also catch up with them and they can do nothing to prevent it. (39:51)

You will not be able to thwart Him on the earth and you have no protector or helper besides Allah. (42:31)

(A group of jinn said to their people,) ‘Those who do not respond to Allah’s caller cannot thwart

Allah on earth and have no protectors apart from Him. Such people are clearly misguided.' (46:32) (Say: 'It has been revealed to me that a band of the jinn listened and said,) "We realised we would never thwart Allah on earth and would never thwart Him by flight.'" (72:12)

## PRAISE

Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (1:1) When your Lord said to the angels, 'I am putting an overlord on the earth,' they said, 'Why put on it one who will cause corruption on it and shed blood when we glorify You with praise and proclaim Your purity?' He said, 'I know what you do not know.' (2:30)

You who believe! Give away some of the good things you have earned and some of what the earth produces for you. Do not have recourse to bad things when you give, things you would only take with your eyes tight shut! Know that Allah is Rich Beyond Need, Praiseworthy. (2:267)

Those who exult in what they have done and love to be praised for what they have not done should not suppose that they have escaped the punishment. They will have a painful punishment. (3:188)

What is in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Allah. We have instructed those given the Book before you and you yourselves, to have fear of Allah, but if you disbelieve, what is in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Allah. Allah is Rich Beyond Need, Praiseworthy. (4:131)

Praise belongs to Allah Who created the heavens and the earth and appointed darkness and light. Then those who disbelieve make others equal to their Lord! (6:1)

So the last remnant of the people who did wrong was cut off. Praise belongs to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds! (6:45)

We will strip away any rancour in their hearts. Rivers will flow under them and they will say, 'Praise be to Allah Who has guided us to this! We would not have been guided, had Allah not guided us. The Messengers of our Lord came with the Truth.' It will be proclaimed to them: 'This is your Garden which you have inherited for what you did.' (7:43)

Those who are in the presence of your Lord do not consider themselves too great to worship Him. They glorify His praise and they prostrate to Him. (7:206)

Those who repent, those who worship, those who praise, those who fast, those who bow, those who prostrate, those who command the right, those who forbid the wrong, those who preserve the limits of Allah: give good news to the believers. (9:112)

Their call there is: 'Glory be to You, O Allah!' Their greeting there is: 'Peace!' The end of their call is: 'Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds!' (10:10)

They said, 'Are you astonished at Allah's command? May Allah's mercy and His blessings be upon you, People of the House! He is Praiseworthy, All-Glorious.' (11:73)

The thunder glorifies His praise, as do the angels, out of fear of Him. He discharges the thunderbolts, striking with them anyone He wills. Yet still they argue about Allah when He is inexorable in His power! (13:13)

Alif Lam Ra. This is a Book We have sent down to you so that you can bring mankind from the darkness to the light, by the permission of their Lord, to the Path of the Almighty, the Praiseworthy. (14:1)

Musa said, 'If you were to be ungrateful, you and everyone on the earth, Allah is Rich Beyond Need, Praiseworthy.' (14:8)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Praise be to Allah Who, despite my old age, has given me Isma'il and Ishaq. My Lord is the Hearer of Prayer.' (14:39)

So glorify your Lord with praise and be one of the prostrators. (15:98)

Allah does make a metaphor: an owned slave possessing no power over anything, and someone We have given plentiful provision who gives out from it secretly and openly. Are they the same? Praise be to Allah! They are not! But most people do not know it. (16:75)

The seven heavens and the earth and everyone in them glorify Him. There is nothing which does not glorify Him with praise but you do not understand their glorification. He is All-Forbearing, Ever-Forgiving. (17:44)

On the Day He calls you, you will respond by praising Him and think that you have only tarried a very short time. (17:52)

And stay awake for prayer during part of the night as a supererogatory action for yourself. It may well be that your Lord will raise you to a Praiseworthy Station. (17:79)

And say: 'Praise be to Allah Who has had no son and Who has no partner in His Kingdom and Who needs no one to protect Him from abasement.' And proclaim His Greatness repeatedly! (17:111)

Praise belongs to Allah Who has sent down the Book to His servant and has put no crookedness in it. (18:1)

So be steadfast in the face of what they say and glorify your Lord with praise before the rising of the sun and before its setting. And glorify Him during part of the night and at both ends of the day, so that hopefully you will be pleased. (20:130)

They have been guided to speak good words and guided to the praiseworthy path. (22:24)

Everything in the heavens and everything in the earth belongs to Him. Allah is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy. (22:64)

When you and those with you are settled in the Ship, then say: "Praise be to Allah Who has rescued us from the people of the wrongdoers!" (23:28)

Put your trust in the Living Who does not die and glorify Him with praise. He is well aware of the wrong actions of His servants. (25:58)

We gave knowledge to Dawud and Sulayman who said, 'Praise be to Allah Who has favoured us over many of His servants who are believers.' (27:15)

Say: 'Praise be to Allah and peace be upon His servants whom He has chosen.' Is Allah better, or what you associate with Him? (27:59)

Say: 'Praise be to Allah. He will show you His Signs and you will recognise them. Your Lord is not unaware of what you do.' (27:93)

He is Allah. There is no god but Him. Praise be to Him in this world and the hereafter. Judgement belongs to Him. You will be returned to Him. (28:70)

If you ask them, 'Who sends down water from the sky, bringing the earth back to life again after it was dead?' they will say, 'Allah.' Say: 'Praise be to Allah.' But most of them do not use their intellect. (29:63)

Praise be to Him in the heavens and the earth, in the afternoon and when you reach midday. (30:18)

We gave Luqman wisdom: 'Give thanks to Allah. Whoever gives thanks only does so to his own good. Whoever is ungrateful, Allah is Rich Beyond Need, Praiseworthy.' (31:12)

If you asked them, 'Who created the heavens and the earth?' they would say, 'Allah!' Say: 'Praise be to Allah!' But most of them do not know. (31:25)

Everything in the heavens and earth belongs to Allah. Allah is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy. (31:26)

The people who truly do believe in Our Signs are those who fall to the ground prostrating when they are reminded of them, and glorify their Lord with praise, and are not arrogant. (32:15)

Praise be to Allah, to Whom everything in the heavens and everything in the earth belongs, and praise be to Him in the hereafter. He is the All-Wise, the All-Aware. (34:1)

Those who have been given knowledge see that what has been sent down to you from your Lord is the truth and that it guides to the Path of the Almighty, the Praiseworthy. (34:6)

We gave Dawud great favour from Us: 'O mountains and birds! Echo with him in his praise!' And We made iron malleable for him. (34:10)

Praise be to Allah, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and earth, He Who made the angels messengers, with wings—two, three or four. He adds to creation in any way He wills. Allah has power over all things. (35:1)

Mankind! You are the poor in need of Allah whereas Allah is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy. (35:15)

They will say, 'Praise be to Allah Who has removed all sadness from us. Truly our Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Ever-Thankful.' (35:34)

And praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds! (37:182)

Allah has made a metaphor for them of a man

owned by several partners in dispute with one another and another man wholly owned by a single man. Are they the same? Praise be to Allah! The fact is that most of them do not know. (39:29)

They will say, 'Praise be to Allah Who has fulfilled His promise to us and made us the inheritors of this land, letting us settle in the Garden wherever we want. How excellent is the wage of those who work!' (39:74)

You will see the angels circling round the Throne, glorifying their Lord with praise. It will be decided between them with truth. And it will be said: 'Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds.' (39:75)

Those who bear the Throne, and all those around it, glorify their Lord with praise and believe in Him and ask forgiveness for those who believe: 'Our Lord, You encompass everything in mercy and knowledge! Forgive those who turn to You and who follow Your Way and safeguard them from the punishment of the Blazing Fire.' (40:7)

So remain steadfast. Allah's promise is true. Ask forgiveness for your wrong action and glorify your Lord with praise in the evening and the early morning. (40:55)

He is the Living—there is no god but Him—so call on Him, making your religion sincerely His. Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (40:65)

Falsehood cannot reach it from before it or behind it—it (the Qur'an) is a revelation from One who is All-Wise, Praiseworthy. (41:42)

The heavens are all but rent asunder from above when the angels glorify their Lord with praise and ask forgiveness for those who are on the earth. Allah is the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful. (42:5)

It is He Who sends down abundant rain, after they have lost all hope, and unfolds His mercy. He is the Protector, the Praiseworthy. (42:28)

All praise belongs to Allah, the Lord of the heavens and the Lord of the earth, Lord of all the worlds. (45:36)

So be patient in the face of what they say and glorify your Lord with praise before the rising of the sun and before it sets. (50:39)

So wait steadfastly for the judgement of your

Lord—you are certainly before Our eyes. And glorify and praise your Lord when you get up. (52:48)

(Allah does not love) those who are tight-fisted and tell others to be tight-fisted. If anyone turns away, Allah is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy. (57:24)

There is an excellent example in them for you to follow, that is for those whose hope is in Allah and the Last Day. But if anyone turns away, Allah is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy. (60:6)

Everything in the heavens and everything on earth glorifies Allah. Sovereignty and praise belong to Him. He has power over all things. (64:1)

That is because their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs but they said, 'Are human beings going to guide us?' So they disbelieved and turned away. But Allah is completely independent of them. Allah is Rich Beyond Need, Praiseworthy. (64:6)

The only reason they punished them was because they believed in Allah, the Almighty, the All-Praiseworthy. (85:8)

When Allah's help and victory have arrived and you have seen people entering Allah's religion in droves, then glorify your Lord's praise and ask His forgiveness. He is the Ever-Returning. (110:1-3)

## PRAYER

(Those who guard against evil are) those who believe in the Unseen and perform prayer and spend from what We have provided for them. (2:3)

Perform prayer and give the alms and bow with those who bow. (2:43)

Seek help in steadfastness and prayer. But that is a very hard thing, except for the humble. (2:45)

Remember when We made a covenant with the tribe of Israel: 'Worship none but Allah and be good to your parents and to relatives and orphans and the very poor. And speak good words to people. And perform prayer and give the alms.' But then you turned away—except a few of you—you turned aside. (2:83)

Perform prayer and give the alms. Any good you send ahead for yourselves, you will find with

Allah. Certainly Allah sees what you do. (2:110) And when We made the House (Kaaba) a place of return, a sanctuary for mankind: They took the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray) as a place of prayer. We contracted with Ibrahim and Isma'il: 'Purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stay there, and those who bow and who prostrate.' (2:125)

You who believe! Seek help in steadfastness and prayer. Allah is with the steadfast. (2:153)

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

Safeguard the prayer—especially the middle one. Stand in obedience to Allah. (2:238)

Those who believe and do right actions and perform prayer and give the alms, will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:277)

The angels called out to him while he (Zakariyya) was standing in prayer in the Upper Room: 'Allah gives you the good news of Yahya, who will come to confirm a Word from Allah, and will be a leader and a celibate, a Prophet and one of the righteous.' (3:39)

You who believe! Do not approach the prayer when you are drunk, so that you will know what you are saying, nor in a state of major impurity—unless you are travelling—until you have washed yourselves completely. If you are ill or on a journey, or any of you have come from the lavatory or touched women, and you cannot find any water then take for yourselves clean earth, wiping your faces and your hands. Allah is Ever-Pardoning, Ever-Forgiving. (4:43)

Do you not see those who were told: 'Hold back from fighting but perform prayer and give the

alms?' Then when fighting is prescribed for them, a group of them fear people as Allah should be feared, or even more than that. They say, 'Our Lord, why have you prescribed fighting for us? If only You would give us just a little more time!' Say, 'The enjoyment of this world is very brief. The hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. You will not be wronged by so much as the smallest speck.' (4:77)

When you are travelling in the land, there is nothing wrong in your shortening your prayer if you fear that those who disbelieve may harass you. The disbelievers are your clear-cut enemies. (4:101)

When you are with them and leading them in prayer, a group of them should stand with you, keeping hold of their weapons. When they prostrate, the others should guard your backs. Then the other group who have not yet prayed should come and pray with you. They too should be careful and keep hold of their weapons. Those who disbelieve would like you to be negligent of your arms and equipment so that they can swoop down on you once and for all. There is nothing wrong, if you are bothered by rain or you are ill, in laying your weapons down; but take every precaution. Allah has prepared a humiliating punishment for the disbelievers. (4:102)

When you have finished prayer remember Allah standing, sitting and lying on your sides. When you are safe again perform prayer in the normal way. The prayer is prescribed for the believers at specific times. (4:103)

The hypocrites think they deceive Allah, but He is deceiving them. When they get up to pray, they get up lazily, showing off to people, and only remembering Allah a very little. (4:142)

But those of them who are firmly rooted in knowledge, and the believers, believe in what has been sent down to you and what was sent down before you: those who perform prayer and give the alms, and believe in Allah and the Last Day—We will pay such people an immense wage. (4:162)

You who believe! When you get up to perform prayer, wash your faces and your hands and your arms to the elbows, and wipe over your heads,

and (wash) your feet to the ankles. If you are in a state of major impurity, then purify yourselves. But if you are ill or on a journey, or have come from the lavatory, or have touched women, and cannot find any water, then then take for yourselves clean earth, and wipe your faces and your hands therewith. Allah does not want to make things difficult for you, but He does want to purify you and to perfect His blessing upon you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:6)

Allah made a covenant with the tribe of Israel and We raised up twelve leaders from among them. Allah said, 'I am with you. If you perform prayer and give the alms, and believe in My Messengers and respect and support them, and make a generous loan to Allah, I will erase your wrong actions from you and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Any of you who disbelieve after that have gone astray from the right way.' (5:12)

Your friend is only Allah and His Messenger and those who believe: those who perform prayer and give the alms, and bow. (5:55)

When you call to prayer they make a mockery and a game of it. That is because they are people who do not use their intellect. (5:58)

Satan wants to stir up enmity and hatred between you by means of wine and gambling, and to debar you from remembrance of Allah and from prayer. Will you not then give them up? (5:91) You who believe! When one of you is near to death and makes a will, two just men from among you should act as witnesses; or, if you are travelling when the misfortune of death occurs, two men who are strangers to you. You should detain them after prayer and, if you are doubtful, they should swear by Allah: 'We will not sell it for any price, even to a near relative, and we will not conceal the testimony of Allah. If we did we would indeed be wrongdoers.' (5:106)

(Say:) 'And (We are commanded) to perform prayer and guard against evil of Him. It is He to Whom you will be gathered.' (6:72)

This is a Book We have sent down and blessed, confirming what came before it, so that you can warn the Mother of Cities and the people around it. Those who believe in the hereafter believe in it

and safeguard their prayer. (6:92)

Say: 'My prayer and my rites, my living and my dying, are for Allah alone, the Lord of all the worlds.' (6:162)

Whenever the plague came down on them they said, 'Musa, pray to your Lord for us by the contract He has with you. If you remove the plague from us, we will definitely believe in you and send the tribe of Israel away with you.' (7:134)

As for those who hold fast to the Book and perform prayer, We will not let the wage of the righteous be wasted. (7:170)

(Believers are) those who perform prayer and give of what We have provided for them. (8:3)

Their prayer at the House is nothing but whistling and clapping. So taste the punishment because you disbelieved! (8:35)

Then, when the sacred months are over, kill the idolaters wherever you find them, and seize them and besiege them and lie in wait for them on every road. If they repent and perform prayer and give the alms, let them go on their way. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:5)

But if they repent and perform prayer and give the alms, they are your brothers in the religion. We make the Signs clear for people who have knowledge. (9:11)

The mosques of Allah should only be maintained by those who believe in Allah and the Last Day and perform prayer and give the alms, and fear no one but Allah. They are the ones most likely to be guided. (9:18)

Nothing prevents what they give from being accepted from them but the fact that they have rejected Allah and His Messenger, and that they only come to prayer lethargically, and that they only give reluctantly. (9:54)

The men and women of the believers are friends of one another. They command what is right and forbid what is wrong, and perform prayer and give the alms, and obey Allah and His Messenger. They are the people on whom Allah will have mercy. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:71)

Never pray over any of them who die or stand at their graves. They rejected Allah and His Messenger and died as deviators. (9:84)

And among the desert arabs there are some who believe in Allah and the Last Day and regard what they give as something which will bring them nearer to Allah and to the prayers of the Messenger. It does indeed bring them near. Allah will admit them into His mercy. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:99)

Take charity from their wealth to purify and cleanse them and pray for them. Your prayers bring relief to them. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (9:103)

We revealed to Musa and his brother: 'Settle your people in houses in Egypt and make your houses places of worship and perform prayer and give good news to the believers.' (10:87)

They said, 'Shu'ayb, do your prayers instruct you that we should abandon what our fathers worshipped or stop doing whatever we want to with our wealth? You are clearly the forbearing, the rightly-guided!' (11:87)

Perform prayer at each end of the day and in the first part of the night. Good actions eradicate bad actions. This is a reminder for people who pay heed. (11:114)

Those who are steadfast in seeking the face of their Lord, and perform prayer and give from the provision We have given them, secretly and openly, and stave off evil with good, it is they who will have the Ultimate Abode. (13:22)

Tell My servants who believe that they should perform prayer and give from what We have provided for them, secretly and openly, before a Day arrives on which there will be no trading and no friendship. (14:31)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord! I have settled some of my offspring by Your Sacred House in an uncultivated valley. Our Lord! Let them perform prayer! Make the hearts of mankind incline towards them and provide them with fruits, so that hopefully they will be thankful.' (14:37)

(Ibrahim said,) 'My Lord! Make me and my descendants people who perform prayer. My Lord! Accept my prayer.' (14:40)

Man prays for evil just as he prays for good. Man is prone to be impetuous. (17:11)

Perform prayer from the time the sun declines until the darkening of the night, and also the

recitation at dawn. The dawn recitation is certainly witnessed. (17:78)

And stay awake for prayer during part of the night as a supererogatory action for yourself. It may well be that your Lord will raise you to a Praiseworthy Station. (17:79)

Say: 'Call on Allah or call on the All-Merciful, whichever you call upon, the Most Beautiful Names are His.' Do not be too loud in your prayer or too quiet in it, but try to find a way between the two. (17:110)

('Isa said,) 'He has made me blessed wherever I am and directed me to perform prayer and give the alms as long as I live.' (19:31)

He used to command his people to perform prayer and give the alms and he was pleasing to his Lord. (19:55)

An evil generation succeeded them who neglected the prayer and followed their appetites. They will plunge into the Valley of Evil. (19:59)

(Allah said,) 'I am Allah. There is no god but Me, so worship Me and perform prayer to remember Me.' (20:14)

Instruct your family to perform prayer, and be constant in it. We do not ask you for provision. We provide for you. And the outcome rests on doing your duty. (20:132)

We made them leaders, guiding by Our command, and revealed to them how to do good actions and perform prayer and give the alms, and they worshipped Us. (21:73)

... Give good news to the humble-hearted, whose hearts quake at the mention of Allah, and who are steadfast in the face of all that happens to them, those who perform prayer and give of what We have provided for them. (22:34-35)

... Allah will certainly help those who help Him—Allah is All-Strong, Almighty—those who, if We establish them firmly on the earth, will perform prayer and give the alms, and command what is right and forbid what is wrong. The end result of all affairs is with Allah. (22:40-41)

Strive for Allah with the striving due to Him. He has selected you and not placed any constraint upon you in the religion—the religion of your forefather Ibrahim. He named you Muslims before and also in this, so that the Messenger could be

witness against you and you could be witnesses against all mankind. So perform prayer and give the alms and hold fast to Allah. He is your Protector—the Best Protector, the Best Helper. (22:78)

(Believers are) those who are humble in their prayer. (23:2)

(Believers are) those who safeguard their prayer. (23:9)

... there are men who proclaim His glory morning and evening, not distracted by trade or commerce from the remembrance of Allah and the performance of prayer and the giving of the alms; fearing a day when all hearts and eyes will be in turmoil. (24:36-37)

Do you not see that everyone in the heavens and earth glorifies Allah, as do the birds with their outspread wings? Each one knows its prayer and glorification. Allah knows what they do. (24:41) Perform prayer and give the alms and obey the Messenger so that hopefully mercy will be shown to you. (24:56)

You who believe! Those you own as slaves and those of you who have not yet reached puberty should ask your permission to enter at three times: before the Dawn Prayer, when you have undressed at noon, and after the Prayer of Night—three times of nakedness for you. There is nothing wrong for you or them at other times in moving around among yourselves from one to another. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (24:58) It is guidance and good news for the believers, those who perform prayer and give the alms and are certain about the hereafter. (27:2-3)

Recite what has been revealed to you of the Book and perform prayer. Prayer precludes indecency and wrongdoing. And remembrance of Allah is greater still. Allah knows what you do. (29:45) So set your face firmly towards the Religion, as a pure natural believer, Allah's natural pattern on which He made mankind. There is no changing Allah's creation. That is the true Religion—but most people do not know it—turning towards Him. Have fear of Him and perform prayer. Do not be among the idolaters. (30:30-31)

(The good-doers are) those who perform prayer

and give the alms and are certain of the hereafter. (31:4)

(Luqman said,) 'My son, perform prayer and command what is right and forbid what is wrong and be steadfast in the face of all that happens to you. That is certainly the most resolute course to follow.' (31:17)

Remain in your houses and do not display your beauty as it was previously displayed in the Time of Ignorance. Perform prayer and give the alms and obey Allah and His Messenger. Allah desires to remove all impurity from you, People of the House, and to purify you completely. (33:33)

No burden-bearer can bear another's burden. If someone weighed down calls for help to bear his load, none of it will be borne for him, even by his next of kin. You can only warn those who fear their Lord in the Unseen and perform prayer. Whoever is purified, is purified for himself alone. Allah is your final destination. (35:18)

Those who recite the Book of Allah and perform prayer and give of what We have provided for them, secretly and openly, hope for a transaction which will not prove profitless. (35:29)

When We grant blessing to a man, he turns away and draws aside but when any evil touches him, he is full of endless prayers! (41:51)

(What is with Allah is better for) those who respond to their Lord and perform prayer, and manage their affairs by mutual consultation and give of what We have provided for them. (42:38) Are you afraid to give gifts of charity before your private consultation? If you do not and Allah turns to you, at least perform prayer and give the alms, and obey Allah and His Messenger. Allah is aware of what you do. (58:13)

You who believe! When you are called to prayer on the Day of Friday, hasten to the remembrance of Allah and abandon trade. That is better for you if you only knew. (62:9)

Then when the prayer is finished spread through the earth and seek Allah's bounty and remember Allah much so that hopefully you will be successful. (62:10)

Truly man was created headstrong—desperate when bad things happen, begrudging when good things come—except for those who perform

prayer and are constant in it. (70:20-23)  
Those who safeguard their prayer; such people will be in Gardens, highly honoured. (70:34-35)  
Your Lord knows that you stay up nearly two-thirds of the night—or half of it, or a third of it—and a group of those with you. Allah determines the night and day. He knows you will not keep count of it, so He has turned towards you. Recite as much of the Qur'an as is easy for you. He knows that some of you are ill and that others are travelling in the land seeking Allah's bounty, and that others are fighting in the Way of Allah. So recite as much of it as is easy for you. And perform prayer and give the alms and lend a generous loan to Allah. Whatever good you send ahead for yourselves you will find it with Allah as something better and as a greater reward. And seek forgiveness from Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (73:20)

They will say, 'We were not among those who performed prayer.' (74:43)

He neither affirmed the truth nor did he perform prayer. (75:31)

He who has purified himself will have success, he who invokes the Name of his Lord and prays. (87:14-15)

Have you seen him who prevents a servant when he goes to pray? (96:9-10)

They were only ordered to worship Allah, making their religion sincerely His as people of pure natural belief, and to perform prayer and give the alms—that is the religion of the correct. (98:5)

So woe to those who perform prayer, and are forgetful of their prayer. (107:4-5)

So pray to your Lord and sacrifice. (108:2)

If you are afraid, then perform prayer on foot or mounted. But when you are safe, remember Allah in the way He taught you when previously you did not know. (2:239)

(The servants of the All-Merciful are) those who pass the night prostrating and standing before their Lord; (25:64)

### **PRAYER DURING THE BATTLE**

When you are travelling in the land, there is nothing wrong in your shortening your prayer if you fear that those who disbelieve may harass

you. The disbelievers are your clear-cut enemies. (4:101)

When you are with them and leading them in prayer, a group of them should stand with you, keeping hold of their weapons. When they prostrate, the others should guard your backs. Then the other group who have not yet prayed should come and pray with you. They too should be careful and keep hold of their weapons. Those who disbelieve would like you to be negligent of your arms and equipment so that they can swoop down on you once and for all. There is nothing wrong, if you are bothered by rain or you are ill, in laying your weapons down; but take every precaution. Allah has prepared a humiliating punishment for the disbelievers. (4:102)

When you have finished prayer remember Allah standing, sitting and lying on your sides. When you are safe again perform prayer in the normal way. The prayer is prescribed for the believers at specific times. (4:103)

### **PRAYER OF NIGHT**

You who believe! Those you own as slaves and those of you who have not yet reached puberty should ask your permission to enter at three times: before the Dawn Prayer, when you have undressed at noon, and after the Prayer of Night—three times of nakedness for you. There is nothing wrong for you or them at other times in moving around among yourselves from one to another. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (24:58)

### **PRECAUTION**

You who believe! Take all necessary precautions, then go out to fight in separate groups or go out as one body. (4:71)

When you are with them and leading them in prayer, a group of them should stand with you, keeping hold of their weapons. When they prostrate, the others should guard your backs. Then the other group who have not yet prayed should come and pray with you. They too should be careful and keep hold of their weapons. Those who disbelieve would like you to be negligent of your arms and equipment so that they can swoop

down on you once and for all. There is nothing wrong, if you are bothered by rain or you are ill, in laying your weapons down; but take every precaution. Allah has prepared a humiliating punishment for the disbelievers. (4:102)

## PREGNANCY

It is He Who created you from a single self and made from him his spouse so that he might find repose in her. Then when he covered her she bore a light load and carried it around. Then when it became heavy they called on Allah, their Lord, 'If You grant us a healthy child, we will be among the thankful!' (7:189)

Allah knows what every female bears and every shrinking of the womb and every swelling. Everything has its measure with Him. (13:8)  
So she (Maryam) conceived him and withdrew with him to a distant place. (19:22)

On the day they see it, every nursing woman will be oblivious of the baby at her breast, and every pregnant woman will abort the contents of her womb, and you will think people drunk when they are not drunk; it is just that the punishment of Allah is so severe. (22:2)

We have instructed man concerning his parents. Bearing him caused his mother great debility and the period of his weaning was two years: 'Give thanks to Me and to your parents. I am your final destination.' (31:14)

Allah created you from dust and then from a drop of sperm and then made you into pairs. No female becomes pregnant or gives birth except with His knowledge. And no living thing lives long or has its life cut short without that being in a Book. That is easy for Allah. (35:11)

Knowledge of the Hour is referred to Him. And no fruit emerges from its husk, nor does any female get pregnant or give birth, without His knowledge. On the Day He calls out to them: 'Where are My associates?' they will say, 'We declare to you that none of us is a witness.' (41:47)  
We have instructed man to be good to his parents. His mother bore him with difficulty and with difficulty gave birth to him; and his bearing and weaning take thirty months. Then when he achieves his full strength and reaches forty, he

says, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing You bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You. And make my descendants righteous. I have repented to You and I am truly one of the Muslims.' (46:15)

In the case of those of your wives who are past the age of menstruation, if you have any doubt, their waiting period should be three months, and that also applies to those who have not yet menstruated. The time for women who are pregnant is when they give birth. Whoever has fear of Allah-He will make matters easy for him. (65:4)  
Let them (the women you divorce) live where you live, according to your means. Do not put pressure on them, so as to harass them. If they are pregnant, maintain them until they give birth. If they are suckling for you, give them their wages and consult together with correctness and courtesy. But if you make things difficult for one another, another woman should do the suckling for you. (65:6)

## PRE-ORDAINED DECREE

### (I. E. DESTINY)

No self can die except with Allah's permission, at a predetermined time. If anyone desires the reward of this world, We will give him some of it. If anyone desires the reward of the hereafter, We will give him some of it. We will recompense the thankful. (3:145)

Then He sent down to you, after the distress, security, restful sleep overtaking a group of you, whereas another group became prey to anxious thoughts, thinking other than the truth about Allah-thoughts belonging to the Time of Ignorance-saying, 'Do we have any say in the affair at all?' Say, 'The affair belongs entirely to Allah.' They are concealing things inside themselves which they do not disclose to you, saying, 'If we had only had a say in the affair, none of us would have been killed here in this place.' Say, 'Even if you had been inside your homes, those people for whom killing was decreed would have gone out to their place of death.' So that Allah might test what is in your breasts and purge what is in your hearts. Allah knows the contents of your hearts. (3:154)

It is He Who created you from clay and then decreed a fixed term, and another fixed term is specified with Him. Yet you still have doubts! (6:2)

If their turning away is hard on you, then go down a tunnel deep into the earth, if you can, or climb up a ladder into heaven, and bring them a Sign. If Allah had wanted to He would have gathered them all to guidance. So do not be among the ignorant. (6:35)

Every nation has an appointed time. When their time comes, they cannot delay it a single hour or bring it forward. (7:34)

Were it not for a prior decree which had already proceeded from Allah, a terrible punishment would have afflicted you on account of what you took. (8:68)

Say: 'Nothing can happen to us except what Allah has ordained for us. He is Our Master. It is in Allah that the believers should put their trust.' (9:51)

Mankind was only one community but then they differed, and had it not been for a prior Word from your Lord, they would already have been judged in respect of the differences between them. (10:19)

Say: 'I possess no power to harm or help myself except as Allah wills. Every nation has an appointed time. When their appointed time comes, they cannot delay it a single hour or bring it forward.' (10:49)

There is no creature on the earth which is not dependent upon Allah for its provision. He knows where it lives and where it dies. They are all in a Clear Book. (11:6)

If We postpone the punishment for them for a limited time, they will say, 'What is holding it back?' No, indeed! The day it reaches them it will not be averted from them and the things they mocked at will encompass them. (11:8)

(It was revealed to Nuh:) 'Build the Ark under Our supervision and as We reveal and do not address Me concerning the wrongdoers. They shall be drowned.' (11:37)

(Hud said,) 'I have put my trust in Allah, my Lord and your Lord. There is no creature He does not hold by the forelock. My Lord is on a Straight

Path.' (11:56)

As for those who are wretched, they will be in the Fire, where they will sigh and gasp, remaining in it timelessly, for ever, as long as the heavens and earth endure, except as your Lord wills. Your Lord is the Doer of what He wills. As for those who are glad, they will be in the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, for ever, as long as the heavens and earth endure, except as your Lord wills: an uninterrupted gift. (11:106-108)

We gave Musa the Book and people differed concerning it and had it not been for a prior Word from your Lord, it would already have been decided between them. They are indeed in grave doubt about it. (11:110)

Everyone has a succession of angels in front of him and behind him, guarding him by Allah's command. Allah never changes a people's state until they change what is in themselves. When Allah desires evil for a people, there is no averting it. They have no protector apart from Him. (13:11)

Even if there was a Qur'an which moved mountains, or split the earth open or spoke to the dead...! On the contrary! The affair is Allah's altogether. Do those who believe not know that if Allah had wanted to He could have guided all mankind? Those who disbelieve will not cease to be struck by disaster for what they have done—or a disaster will happen close to their homes—until Allah's promise is fulfilled. Allah will not fail to keep His promise. Messengers before you were mocked. I gave those who disbelieved a little more time and then I seized them. How terrible was My retribution! (13:31-32)

We sent Messengers before you and gave them wives and children. Nor was any Messenger able to bring a Sign except by Allah's permission. There is a prescribed limit to every term. (13:38) Allah erases whatever He wills or endorses it. The Master Copy of the Book is in His Hands. (13:39)

We did not destroy any city without it having a set time. (15:4)

If Allah were to punish people for their wrong actions, not a single creature would be left upon the earth, but He defers them till a predetermined

time. When their specified time arrives, they cannot delay it for a single hour nor can they bring it forward. (16:61)

There is no city We will not destroy before the Day of Rising, or punish with a terrible punishment. That is inscribed in the Book. (17:58)

(Allah said,) 'When your sister went and said, "Shall I direct you to someone who will take care of him?" that was how We returned you to your mother so that she might delight her eyes and not be grieved. You killed a man and We rescued you from trouble and tested you with many trials. You stayed some years among the people of Madyan. Then you arrived at the pre-ordained time, Musa!' (20:40)

And were it not for a prior word from your Lord, and a specified term, it would inevitably have already taken place. (20:129)

No nation can advance its appointed time nor can they delay it. (23:43)

Do you not see that Allah propels the clouds then makes them coalesce then heaps them up, and then you see the rain come pouring out of the middle of them? And He sends down mountains from the sky with hail inside them, striking with it anyone He wills and averting it from anyone He wills. The brightness of His lightning almost blinds the sight. (24:43)

Certainly your Lord knows what their hearts keep hidden and what they divulge. (27:74)

Certainly there is no hidden thing in either heaven or earth which is not in a Clear Book. (27:75)

They ask you to hasten the punishment. If it were not for a stipulated term, the punishment would have come to them already. It will come upon them suddenly when they are not expecting it. (29:53)

Truly Allah has knowledge of the Hour and sends down abundant rain and knows what is in the womb. And no self knows what it will earn tomorrow and no self knows in what land it will die. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (31:34)

He directs the whole affair from heaven to earth. Then it will again ascend to Him on a Day whose length is a thousand years by the way you measure. (32:5)

There is no restriction on the Prophet regarding anything Allah allots to him. This was Allah's pattern with those who passed away before—and Allah's command is a pre-ordained decree. (33:38)

Those who disbelieve say, 'The Hour will never come.' Say: 'Yes, by my Lord, it certainly will come!' He is the Knower of the Unseen, Whom not even the weight of the smallest particle eludes, either in the heavens or in the earth; nor is there anything smaller or larger than that which is not in a Clear Book. (34:3)

Say: 'You have a promised appointment on a Day which you cannot delay or advance a single hour.' (34:30)

Allah created you from dust and then from a drop of sperm and then made you into pairs. No female becomes pregnant or gives birth except with His knowledge. And no living thing lives long or has its life cut short without that being in a Book. That is easy for Allah. (35:11)

If Allah were to take mankind to task for what they have earned, He would not leave a single creature crawling on it, but He is deferring them until a specified time. Then, when their time comes, Allah sees His servants! (35:45)

We gave Musa the Book but there was disagreement about it. And had it not been for a prior Word from your Lord, the judgement between them would already have been made. They are indeed in grave doubt about it. (41:45)

Knowledge of the Hour is referred to Him. And no fruit emerges from its husk, nor does any female get pregnant or give birth, without His knowledge. On the Day He calls out to them: 'Where are My associates?' they will say, 'We declare to you that none of us is a witness.' (41:47) They only split up after knowledge came to them, tyrannising one another. And were it not for a prior decree from your Lord for a specified term, the judgement between them would already have been made. Those who inherited the Book after them are indeed in grave doubt about it. (42:14)

Know then that there is no god except Allah and ask forgiveness for your wrongdoing, and for the men and women who believe. Allah knows both

your activity and your repose. (47:19)

We destroyed those of your kind in the past. But is there any rememberer there? Everything they did is in the Books. Everything is recorded, big or small. (54:51-53)

Nothing occurs, either in the earth or in yourselves, without its being in a Book before We make it happen. That is something easy for Allah. (57:22)

If Allah had not prescribed banishment for them, He would have punished them in this world. But in the hereafter they will have the punishment of the Fire. (59:3)

No misfortune occurs except by Allah's permission. Whoever believes in Allah—He will guide his heart. Allah has knowledge of all things. (64:11)

... Whoever has fear of Allah—He will give him a way out and provide for him from where he does not expect. Whoever puts his trust in Allah—He will be enough for him. Allah always achieves His aim. Allah has appointed a measure for all things. (65:2-3)

(Nuh said to his people:) 'He will forgive you your wrong actions and defer you until a specified time. When Allah's time comes it cannot be deferred, if you only knew.' (71:4)

Say: 'I do not know whether what you are promised is close or whether my Lord will appoint a longer time before it.' (72:25)

He is the Knower of the Unseen, and does not divulge His Unseen to anyone—except a Messenger with whom He is well pleased, and then He posts sentinels before him and behind him, so that He may know that they have indeed transmitted the Messages of their Lord. He encompasses what is in their hands and has counted the exact number of everything. (72:26-28)

#### **PRESERVED TABLET, THE (SEE LAWH MAHFUZ)**

#### **PREVIOUSLY MARRIED**

It may be that if he does divorce you, his Lord will give him in exchange better wives than you: Muslim women, believing women, obedient women, penitent women, women who worship,

women who fast much—previously married women as well as virgins. (66:5)

#### **PRIEST**

You will find that the people most hostile to those who believe are the Jews and the idolaters. You will find the people most affectionate to those who believe are those who say, 'We are Christians.' That is because some of them are priests and monks and because they are not arrogant. (5:82)

#### **PRISON - PRISONER**

O Prophet! Say to those you are holding prisoner, 'If Allah knows of any good in your hearts, He will give you something better than what has been taken from you and forgive you.' Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. But if they mean to betray you, they have already previously betrayed Allah, so He has given you power over them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (8:70-71) They raced to the door. She tore his (Yusuf's) shirt at the back. They met her husband by the door. She said, 'How should a man whose intention was to harm your family be punished for what he did except with prison or painful punishment?' (12:25)

She (the governor's wife) said, 'You see! It's him you blamed me for. I tried seducing him but he refused. If he does not do what I order him, he will be put in prison and brought low.' (12:32)

He (Yusuf) said, 'My Lord, the prison is preferable to me than what they call on me to do. Unless You turn their guile away from me, it may well be that I will fall for them and so become a man of ignorance.' (12:33)

Then, after they had seen the Signs, they thought that they should still imprison him for a time. (12:35)

Two servants entered prison along with him (Yusuf). One said, 'I dreamt that I was pressing grapes.' The other said, 'I dreamt I carried bread upon my head and birds were eating it. Tell us the true meaning of these dreams. We see that you're one of the righteous.' (12:36)

(Yusuf said,) 'My fellow-prisoners, are many lords better, or Allah, the only One, the Conqueror?' (12:39)

He said to the one of them he knew was saved, 'Please mention me when you are with your lord,' but Satan made him forget to remind his lord, and so he stayed in prison for several years. (12:42) He (Yusuf) raised his parents up onto the throne. The others fell prostrate in front of him. He said, 'My father, truly this is now the interpretation of the dream I had. My Lord has made it all come true; and He was kind to me by letting me out of prison and brought you from the desert when Satan had caused dissent between me and my brothers. My Lord is kind to anyone He wills. He is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise.' (12:100)

### **PRIVATE ONES**

Forbidden for you are: your mothers and your daughters and your sisters, your maternal aunts and your paternal aunts, your brothers' daughters and your sisters' daughters, your foster mothers who have suckled you, your foster sisters by suckling, your wives' mothers, your stepdaughters who are under your protection: the daughters of your wives whom you have had sexual relations with (though if you have not had sexual relations with them there is nothing blameworthy for you in it then), the wives of your sons whom you have fathered, and marrying two sisters at the same time—except for what may have already taken place. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:23)

And also married women, except for those you have taken in war as slaves. This is what Allah has prescribed for you. Apart from that He has made all other women lawful for you provided you seek them with your wealth in marriage and not in fornication. When you consummate your marriage with them give them their prescribed dowry. There is nothing wrong in any further agreement you might come to after the dowry has been given. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:24)

### **PRIVATE PARTS**

Say to the believing women that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity and not display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings

across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands' fathers, or their sons or their husbands' sons or their brothers or their brothers' sons or their sisters' sons or other women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children who still have no awareness of women's private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

### **PROCLAIMING ALLAH'S GREATNESS**

The month of Ramadan is the one in which the Qur'an was sent down as guidance for mankind, with Clear Signs containing guidance and discrimination. Any of you who are resident for the month should fast it. But any of you who are ill or on a journey should fast a number of other days. Allah desires ease for you; He does not desire difficulty for you. You should complete the number of days and proclaim Allah's greatness for the guidance He has given you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (2:185)

And say: 'Praise be to Allah Who has had no son and Who has no partner in His Kingdom and Who needs no one to protect Him from abasement.' And proclaim His Greatness repeatedly! (17:111)

Their flesh and blood does not reach Allah but your heedfulness does reach Him. In this way He has subjected them to you so that you might proclaim Allah's greatness for the way that He has guided you. Give good news to the good-doers. (22:37)

In houses which Allah has permitted to be built and in which His name is remembered, there are men who proclaim His glory morning and evening. (24:36)

### **PROFITLESS ACTIONS**

They will ask you about the Sacred Month and fighting in it. Say, 'Fighting in it is a serious matter; but barring access to the Way of Allah and rejecting Him and barring access to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and expelling its peo-

ple from it are far more serious in the sight of Allah. Discord is worse than killing.' They will not stop fighting you until they make you revert from your religion, if they are able. As for any of you who revert from their religion and die disbelievers, their actions will come to nothing in this world and the hereafter. They are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:217)

They are the ones whose actions come to nothing in this world or the hereafter. They will have no helpers. (3:22)

Today all good things have been made lawful for you. And the food of those given the Book is also lawful for you and your food is lawful for them. So are chaste women from among the believers and chaste women of those given the Book before you, once you have given them their dowries in marriage, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. But as for anyone who rejects faith, his actions will come to nothing and in the hereafter he will be among the losers. (5:5)

Those who believe say, 'Are these the people who swore by Allah, with their most earnest oaths, that they were with you?' Their actions have come to nothing and they now are losers. (5:53)

That is Allah's guidance. He guides by it those of His servants He wills. If they had associated others with Him, nothing they did would have been of any use. (6:88)

As for those who denied Our Signs and the encounter of the hereafter, their actions will come to nothing. Will they be repaid except for what they did? (7:147)

It is not for the idolaters to maintain the mosques of Allah, bearing witness against themselves of their disbelief. They are the ones whose actions will come to nothing. They will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever. (9:17)

Like those before you who had greater strength than you and more wealth and children. They enjoyed their portion; so enjoy your portion as those before you enjoyed theirs. You have plunged into defamation as they plunged into it. The actions of such people come to nothing in this world or the hereafter. They are the lost. (9:69)

But such people will have nothing in the hereafter

but the Fire. What they achieved here will come to nothing. What they did will prove to be null and void. (11:16)

Those are the people who reject their Lord's Signs and the meeting with Him. Their actions will come to nothing and, on the Day of Rising, We will not assign them any weight. (18:105)

Allah knows the obstructers among you and those who say to their brothers, 'Come to us,' and who only come to fight a very little, and are begrudging towards you. Then when fear comes, you see them looking at you, their eyes rolling like people scared to death. But when fear departs they flay you with sharp tongues, grasping for wealth. Such people have no faith and Allah will make their actions come to nothing. That is easy for Allah. (33:18-19)

If anyone wants power, all power belongs to Allah. All good words rise to Him and He raises up all virtuous deeds. But people who plot evil deeds will suffer a harsh punishment. The plotting of such people is profitless. (35:10)

It has been revealed to you and those before you: 'If you associate others with Allah, your actions will come to nothing and you will be among the losers.' (39:65)

That is because they hate what Allah has sent down, so He has made their actions come to nothing. (47:9)

That is because they followed what angers Allah and hated what is pleasing to Him. So He made their actions come to nothing. (47:28)

Those who disbelieve and obstruct the Way of Allah and are entrenched in hostility towards the Messenger after the guidance has become clear to them, do not harm Allah in any way and He makes their actions come to nothing. (47:32)

You who believe! Do not raise your voices above the voice of the Prophet and do not be as loud when speaking to him as you are when speaking to one another, lest your actions should come to nothing without your realising it. (49:2)

Did He not bring all their schemes to nothing? (105:2)

## PROFLIGATE

It is He Who produces gardens, both cultivated

and wild, and palm-trees and crops of diverse kinds, and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Eat of their fruits when they bear fruit and pay their due on the day of their harvest, and do not be profligate. He does not love the profligate. (6:141)

Children of Adam! Wear fine clothing in every mosque and eat and drink but do not be profligate. He does not love the profligate. (7:31)

When harm touches man, he calls on Us, lying on his side or sitting down or standing up. Then when We remove the harm from him he carries on as if he had never called on Us when the harm first touched him. In that way We make what they have done appear good to the profligate. (10:12)

No one believed in Musa except for a few of his people out of fear that Pharaoh, and the elders, would persecute them. Pharaoh was high and mighty in the land. He was one of the profligate. (10:83)

That is how We repay anyone who is profligate and does not believe in the Signs of his Lord. And the punishment of the hereafter is much harsher and longer lasting. (20:127)

But We kept Our promise to them and rescued them and those We willed, and destroyed the profligate. (21:9)

Do not obey the orders of the profligate. (26:151)

This! Whereas for the profligate there is an evil Homecoming. (38:55)

(The man who believed said,) 'There is no question that what you call me to has no foundation either in this world or the hereafter, that our return is to Allah, and that the profligate will be Companions of the Fire.' (40:43)

Shall We then deprive you of the Reminder for being a profligate people? (43:5)

We rescued the tribe of Israel from the humiliating punishment, from Pharaoh—he was haughty, one of the profligate. (44:30-31)

They (guests of Ibrahim) said, 'We have been sent to a people of evildoers to unleash upon them lumps of clay earmarked by your Lord for the profligate.' (51:32-34)

Hell lies in wait—a homecoming for the profligate. (78:21-22)

## PROMISE

(Those firmly rooted in knowledge say,) 'Our Lord, You are the Gatherer of mankind to a Day of which there is no doubt. Allah will not break His promise.' (3:9)

(People with intelligence say,) 'Our Lord, give us what You promised us through Your Messengers, and do not disgrace us on the Day of Rising. You do not break Your promise.' (3:194)

But as for those who believe and do right actions, We will admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah's promise is true. Whose speech could be truer than Allah's? (4:122)

Each and every one of you will return to Him. Allah's promise is true. He brings creation out of nothing and then regenerates it so that he can repay with justice those who believed and did right actions. Those who disbelieved will have a drink of scalding water and a painful punishment because of their disbelief. (10:4)

Yes, everything in the heavens and earth belongs to Allah. Yes, Allah's promise is true but most of them do not know it. (10:55)

Nuh called out to his Lord and said, 'My Lord, my son is one of my family and Your promise is surely the truth and You are the Justest of Judges.' (11:45)

Even if there was a Qur'an which moved mountains, or split the earth open or spoke to the dead...! On the contrary! The affair is Allah's altogether. Do those who believe not know that if Allah had wanted to He could have guided all mankind? Those who disbelieve will not cease to be struck by disaster for what they have done—or a disaster will happen close to their homes—until Allah's promise is fulfilled. Allah will not fail to keep His promise. (13:31)

When the affair is decided Satan will say, 'Allah made you a promise, a promise of truth, and I made you a promise but broke my promise. I had no authority over you, except that I called you and you responded to me. Do not, therefore, blame me but blame yourselves. I cannot come to your aid nor you to mine. I reject the way you associated me with Allah before.' The wrongdo-

ers will have a painful punishment. (14:22)  
We said to the tribe of Israel after that, 'Inhabit the land and, when the promise of the hereafter comes, We will produce you as a motley crowd.' (17:104)

Say: 'Believe in it or do not believe in it.' Certainly, when it is recited to them, those who were given knowledge before it fall on their faces in prostration, saying, 'Glory be to our Lord! The promise of our Lord is truly fulfilled!' (17:107-108)

Accordingly We made them chance upon them unexpectedly so they might know that Allah's promise is true and that there is no doubt about the Hour. When they were arguing among themselves about the matter, they said, 'Wall up their cave, their Lord knows best about them.' But those who got the better of the argument concerning them said, 'We will build a place of worship over them.' (18:21)

He (Dhu'l-Qarnayn) said, 'This is a mercy from my Lord. But when my Lord's promise comes about, He will crush it (the barrier) flat. The promise of my Lord is surely true.' (18:98)

Mention Isma'il in the Book. He was true to his promise and was a Messenger and a Prophet. (19:54)

Gardens of Eden which the All-Merciful has promised to His servants in the Unseen. His promise is always kept. (19:61)

They ask you to hasten the punishment. Allah will not break His promise. A day with your Lord is equivalent to a thousand years in the way you count. (22:47)

That is how We returned him (Musa) to his mother so that she might delight her eyes and feel no grief and so that she would know that Allah's promise is true. But most of them do not know this. (28:13)

That is Allah's promise. Allah does not break His promise. But most people do not know it. (30:6)

So be steadfast. Allah's promise is true. Do not let those who have no certainty make you impatient and shake your firmness. (30:60)

For those who believe and do right actions there are Gardens of Delight, to remain in them timelessly, for ever. Allah's promise is true. He is the

Almighty, the All-Wise. (31:8-9)  
Mankind! Have fear of your Lord and fear a day when no father will be able to atone for his son, or son for his father, in any way. Allah's promise is true. So do not let the life of this world delude you and do not let the Deluder delude you concerning Allah. (31:33)

Mankind! Allah's promise is true. Do not let the life of this world delude you and do not let the Deluder delude you about Allah. (35:5)

But those who have fear of their Lord will have high-ceilinged Halls, and more such Halls built one above the other, and rivers flowing under them. That is Allah's promise. Allah does not break His promise. (39:20)

They will say, 'Praise be to Allah Who has fulfilled His promise to us and made us the inheritors of this land, letting us settle in the Garden wherever we want. How excellent is the wage of those who work!' (39:74)

So remain steadfast. Allah's promise is true. Ask forgiveness for your wrong action and glorify your Lord with praise in the evening and the early morning. (40:55)

So be steadfast, Allah's promise is true. Whether We show you some of what We have promised them, or take you back to Us, they will in any case be returned to Us. (40:77)

(Allah will say to disbelievers,) 'When you were told, "Allah's promise is true and so is the Hour, of which there is no doubt," you said, "We have no idea what the Hour is. We have only been conjecturing. We are by no means certain.'" (45:32)

But what of him who says to his parents, 'Fie on you! Do you promise me that I will be resurrected when generations before me have passed away?' They both call on Allah for help: 'Woe to you! Believe! Allah's promise is true.' But he says, 'This is nothing but the myths of previous peoples.' (46:17)

How will you safeguard yourselves, if you disbelieve, against a Day which will turn children grey, by which heaven will be split apart? His promise will be fulfilled. (73:17-18)

## (FULFILLING) PROMISES

Allah fulfilled His promise to you when you were

slaughtering them by His permission. But then you faltered, disputing the command, and disobeyed after He showed you what you love. Among you are those who want this world and among you are those who want the hereafter. Then He turned you from them in order to test you—but He has pardoned you. Allah shows favour to the believers. (3:152)

But We kept Our promise to them and rescued them and those We willed, and destroyed the profligate. (21:9)

They will say, 'Praise be to Allah Who has fulfilled His promise to us and made us the inheritors of this land, letting us settle in the Garden wherever we want. How excellent is the wage of those who work!' (39:74)

## **PROOF**

Mankind! A clear proof has come to you from your Lord. We have sent down a Clear Light to you. (4:174)

She wanted him and he would have wanted her, had he not seen the Clear Proof of his Lord. That happened so We might avert from him all evil and lust. He was Our chosen servant. (12:24)

## **PROPERTY**

Do not devour one another's property by false means nor offer it to the judges as a bribe, trying through crime to knowingly usurp a portion of other people's property. (2:188)

Give orphans their property, and do not substitute bad things for good. Do not assimilate their property into your own. Doing that is a serious crime. (4:2)

Do not hand over to the simple-minded any property of theirs for which Allah has made you responsible, but provide for them and clothe them out of it, and speak to them correctly and courteously. (4:5)

Keep a close check on orphans until they reach a marriageable age, then if you perceive that they have sound judgement hand over their property to them. Do not consume it extravagantly and precipitately before they come of age. Those who are wealthy should abstain from it altogether. Those who are poor should use it sensibly

and correctly. When you hand over their property to them ensure that there are witnesses on their behalf. Allah suffices as a Reckoner. (4:6) People who consume the property of orphans wrongfully consume nothing in their bellies except fire. They will roast in a Searing Blaze. (4:10)

You who believe! Do not consume one another's property by false means, but only by means of mutually agreed trade. And do not kill yourselves. Allah is Most Merciful to you. (4:29)

And that you do not go near the property of orphans before they reach maturity—except in a good way; that you give full measure and full weight with justice—We impose on no self any more than it can bear; that you are equitable when you speak—even if a near relative is concerned; and that you fulfil Allah's contract. That is what He instructs you to do, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (6:152)

You who believe! Many of the rabbis and monks devour people's property under false pretences and bar people from access to the Way of Allah. As for those who hoard up gold and silver and do not spend it in the Way of Allah, give them the news of a painful punishment. (9:34)

Do not go near the property of orphans before they reach maturity, except in a good way. Fulfil your contracts. Contracts will be asked about. (17:34)

He was a man of wealth and property and he said to his companion, debating with him, 'I have more wealth than you and more people under me.' (18:34)

## **PROPHETS**

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces—its green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,' he said, 'Do you want to replace what is better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.' Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon themselves. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any

right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

When they are told, 'Believe in what Allah has sent down,' they say, 'Our faith is in what was sent down to us,' and they reject anything beyond that, even though it is the truth, confirming what they have. Say, 'Why then, if you are believers, did you previously kill the Prophets of Allah?' (2:91)

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and 'Isa were given, and what all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:136)

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

Mankind was a single community. Then Allah sent out Prophets bringing good news and giving warning, and with them He sent down the Book with truth to decide between people regarding their differences. Only those who were given it differed about it, after the Clear Signs had come to them, envying one another. Then, by His permission, Allah guided those who believed to the truth of that about which they had differed. Allah guides whoever He wills to a straight path. (2:213)

As for those who reject Allah's Signs, and kill the Prophets without any right to do so, and kill those who command justice, give them news of a painful punishment. (3:21)

He would never command you to take the angels and Prophets as Lords. Would He command you to disbelieve after being Muslim? (3:80)

Remember when Allah made a covenant with the Prophets: 'Now that We have given you a share of the Book and Wisdom, and then a messenger comes to you confirming what is with you, you must believe in him and help him.' He asked, 'Do you agree and undertake my commission on that condition?' They replied, 'We agree.' He said, 'Bear witness, then. I am with you as one of the witnesses.' (3:81)

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim, Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and 'Isa and all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (3:84)

They will be plunged into abasement wherever they are found, unless they have a treaty with Allah and with the people. They have brought down anger from Allah upon themselves, and they have been plunged into destitution. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they disobeyed and went beyond the limits. (3:112)

Allah has heard the words of those who say, 'Allah is poor and we are rich.' We will write down what they said and their killing of the Prophets without any right to do so and We will say, 'Taste the punishment of the Burning.' (3:181)

Whoever obeys Allah and the Messenger will be with those whom Allah has blessed: the Prophets, the steadfast affirmers of truth, the martyrs and the righteous. What excellent company such people are! (4:69)

Because of the fact that they (the Tribe of Israel) broke their covenant, and rejected Allah's Signs, and killed the Prophets without any right to do so and said, 'Our hearts are uncircumcised,' Allah has stamped them with disbelief, so they do not believe except for very few. (4:155)

We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh and the Prophets who came after him. And We revealed to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and 'Isa and Ayyub and Yunus and Harun and Sulayman. And We gave

Dawud the Zabur. (4:163)

Remember when Musa said to his people, 'My people! Remember Allah's blessing to you when He appointed Prophets among you and appointed kings for you, and gave you what He had not given to anyone else in all the worlds! (5:20) We sent down the Torah containing guidance and light, and the Prophets who had submitted themselves gave judgement by it for the Jews—as did their scholars and their rabbis—by what they had been allowed to preserve of Allah's Book to which they were witnesses. Do not be afraid of people, be afraid of Me. And do not sell My Signs for a paltry price. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are disbelievers. (5:44)

My Lord knows best everyone in the heavens and earth. We favoured some of the Prophets over others. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (17:55) Those are some of the Prophets Allah has blessed, from the descendants of Adam and from those We carried with Nuh, and from the descendants of Ibrahim and Isra'il and from those We guided and chose. When the Signs of the All-Merciful were recited to them they fell on their faces, weeping, in prostration. (19:58)

When We made a covenant with all the Prophets—with you and with Nuh and Ibrahim and Musa and 'Isa son of Maryam—We made a binding covenant with them. (33:7)

Muhammad is not the father of any of your men, but the Messenger of Allah and the Final Seal of the Prophets. Allah has knowledge of all things. (33:40)

And the earth will shine with the Pure Light of its Lord; the Book will be put in place; the Prophets and witnesses will be brought; it will be decided between them with the truth; and they will not be wronged. (39:69)

How many Prophets We sent to the previous peoples! (43:6)

## PROPORTION

What they call on apart from Him are female idols. What they call on is an arrogant Satan whom Allah has cursed. He said, 'I will take a certain fixed proportion of Your servants.' (4:117-118)

As for the earth, We stretched it out and cast firmly embedded mountains in it and made everything grow in due proportion on it. (15:19) From a drop of sperm He created him and proportioned him. (80:19)

He Who created you and formed you and proportioned you. (82:7)

And (I swear by) the self and what proportioned it and inspired it with depravity or sense of duty, he who purifies it has succeeded, he who covers it up has failed. (91:7-10)

## PROSTRATION

We said to the angels, 'Prostrate to Adam!' and they prostrated, with the exception of Diabolis. He refused and was arrogant and was one of the disbelievers. (2:34)

Remember when We said, 'Go into this town and eat from it wherever you like, freely. Enter the gate prostrating and say, "Relieve us of our burdens!" Your mistakes will be forgiven. We will grant increase to all good-doers.' (2:58)

And when We made the House (Kaaba) a place of return, a sanctuary for mankind: They took the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray) as a place of prayer. We contracted with Ibrahim and Isma'il: 'Purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stay there, and those who bow and who prostrate.' (2:125)

(The angels said,) 'Maryam, obey your Lord and prostrate and bow with those who bow.' (3:43)

They are not all the same. There is a community among the People of the Book who are upright. They recite Allah's Signs throughout the night, and they prostrate. (3:13)

When you are with them and leading them in prayer, a group of them should stand with you, keeping hold of their weapons. When they prostrate, the others should guard your backs. Then the other group who have not yet prayed should come and pray with you. They too should be careful and keep hold of their weapons. Those who disbelieve would like you to be negligent of your arms and equipment so that they can swoop down on you once and for all. There is nothing wrong, if you are bothered by rain or you are ill, in laying your weapons down; but take every

precaution. Allah has prepared a humiliating punishment for the disbelievers. (4:102)

We lifted up the Mount above their heads in accordance with the covenant they had made, and We said to them, 'Enter the gate prostrating,' and We said to them, 'Do not break the Sabbath,' and We made a binding covenant with them. (4:154) We created you and then formed you and then We said to the angels, 'Prostrate before Adam,' and they prostrated—except for Diabolis. He was not among those who prostrated. (7:11)

He said, 'What prevented you from prostrating when I commanded you to?' He (Diabolis) replied, 'I am better than him. You created me from fire and You created him from clay.' (7:12) The magicians threw themselves down in prostration. (7:120)

When they were told: 'Live in this town and eat of it wherever you like and say, "Relieve us of our burdens!" and enter the gate prostrating. Your mistakes will be forgiven you. We will grant increase to good-doers.' (7:161)

Those who are in the presence of your Lord do not consider themselves too great to worship Him. They glorify His praise and they prostrate to Him. (7:206)

Those who repent, those who worship, those who praise, those who fast, those who bow, those who prostrate, those who command the right, those who forbid the wrong, those who preserve the limits of Allah: give good news to the believers. (9:112)

When Yusuf told his father, 'Father! I saw eleven bright stars, and the sun and moon as well. I saw them all prostrate in front of me.' (12:4)

He (Yusuf) raised his parents up onto the throne. The others fell prostrate in front of him. He said, 'My father, truly this is now the interpretation of the dream I had. My Lord has made it all come true; and He was kind to me by letting me out of prison and brought you from the desert when Satan had caused dissent between me and my brothers. My Lord is kind to anyone He wills. He is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise.' (12:100)

Everyone in heaven and earth prostrates to Allah willingly or unwillingly, as do their shadows in the morning and the evening. (13:15)

(Your Lord said to the angels,) 'When I have formed him and breathed My Spirit into him, fall down in prostration in front of him!' (15:29)

Then the angels prostrated all together, every one of them—except Diabolis. He disdained to be one of the prostrators. (15:30-31)

He said, 'Diabolis, what is it that prevents you being among the prostrators?' (15:32)

He said, 'I will not prostrate to a human being whom You have created out of dried clay formed from fetid black mud.' (15:33)

So glorify your Lord with praise and be one of the prostrators. (15:98)

Do they not see the things Allah has created, casting their shadows to the right and to the left, prostrating themselves before Allah in complete humility? (16:48)

Everything in the heavens and every creature on the earth prostrates to Allah, as do the angels. They are not puffed up with pride. (16:49)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam!' they prostrated, except for Diabolis. He said 'What! Am I to prostrate to one You have created out of clay?' (17:61)

Say: 'Believe in it or do not believe in it.' Certainly, when it is recited to them, those who were given knowledge before it fall on their faces in prostration,' (17:107)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam,' they prostrated with the exception of Diabolis. He was one of the jinn and wantonly deviated from his Lord's command. Do you take him and his offspring as protectors apart from Me when they are your enemy? How evil is the exchange the wrongdoers make! (18:50)

Those are some of the Prophets Allah has blessed, from the descendants of Adam and from those We carried with Nuh, and from the descendants of Ibrahim and Isra'il and from those We guided and chose. When the Signs of the All-Merciful were recited to them they fell on their faces, weeping, in prostration. (19:58)

The magicians threw themselves down in prostration. They said, 'We believe in the Lord of Harun and Musa.' (20:70)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam!' they prostrated, with the excep-

tion of Diabolis who disdained to do it. (20:116) Do you not see that everyone in the heavens and everyone on the earth prostrates to Allah, and the sun and moon and stars and the mountains, trees and beasts and many of mankind? But many of them inevitably merit punishment. Those Allah humiliates will have no one to honour them. Allah does whatever He wills. (22:18)

You who believe! Bow and prostrate and worship your Lord, and do good, so that hopefully you will be successful. (22:77)

When they are told to prostrate to the All-Merciful, they say, 'And what is the All-Merciful? Are we to prostrate to something you command us to?' And it merely makes them run away all the more. (25:60)

(The servants of the All-Merciful are) those who pass the night prostrating and standing before their Lord; (25:64)

The magicians threw themselves down, prostrating. (26:46)

He Who sees you when you stand up to pray and your movements with those who prostrate. (26:218-219)

(The hoopoe said,) 'I found both her and her people prostrating to the sun instead of Allah. Satan has made their actions seem good to them and debarred them from the Way so they are not guided and do not prostrate to Allah, Who brings out what is hidden in the heavens and the earth, and knows what you conceal and what you divulge.' (27:24-25)

The people who truly do believe in Our Signs are those who fall to the ground prostrating when they are reminded of them, and glorify their Lord with praise, and are not arrogant. (32:15)

(Your Lord said to the angels,) 'When I have formed him and breathed My Spirit into him, fall down in prostration to him!' (38:72)

So the angels prostrated, all of them together, except for Diabolis who was arrogant and was one of the disbelievers. (38:73-74)

He said, 'Diabolis, what prevented you prostrating to what I created with My own Hands? Were you overcome by arrogance or are you one of the exalted?' (38:75)

What of him who spends the night hours in

prayer, prostrating and standing up, mindful of the hereafter, hoping for the mercy of his Lord? Say: 'Are they the same--those who know and those who do not know?' It is only people of intelligence who pay heed. (39:9)

Among His Signs are the night and day and the sun and moon. Do not prostrate to the sun nor to the moon. Prostrate to Allah Who created them, if you worship Him. (41:37)

Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and those who are with him are fierce to the disbelievers, merciful to one another. You see them bowing and prostrating, seeking Allah's good favour and His pleasure. Their mark is on their faces, the traces of prostration. That is their likeness in the Torah. And their likeness in the Gospel is that of a seed which puts up a shoot and makes it strong so that it thickens and grows up straight upon its stalk, filling the sowers with delight--so that by them He may infuriate the disbelievers. Allah has promised those of them who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (48:29)

And glorify Him during the night and after you have prostrated. (50:40)

Prostrate before Allah and worship Him! (53:62)

The herbs and the trees all bow down in prostration. (55:6)

On the Day when legs are bared and they are called on to prostrate, they will not be able to do so. (68:42)

Their eyes will be downcast, darkened by debasement; for they were called on to prostrate when they were in full possession of their faculties. (68:43)

Prostrate to Him during the night and glorify Him throughout the long night. (76:26)

What is the matter with them that they have no faith and, when the Qur'an is recited to them, do not prostrate? (84:20-21)

No indeed! Do not obey him, but prostrate and draw near. (96:19)

## PROTECTION

Those who believe and have migrated and strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah, and those who have given refuge

and help, they are the friends and protectors of one another. But as for those who believe but have not migrated, you are not in any way responsible for their protection until they migrate. But if they ask you for help in respect of the religion, it is your duty to help them, except against people you have a treaty with. Allah sees what you do. (8:72)

In that situation the only protection is from Allah, the Real. He gives the best reward and the best outcome. (18:44)

### **PROTECTOR**

Do you not know that Allah is He to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and the earth belongs and that, besides Allah, you have no protector and no helper? (2:107)

Allah is the Protector of those who believe. He brings them out of the darkness into the light. But those who disbelieve have false gods as protectors. They take them from the light into the darkness. Those are the Companions of the Fire remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:257)

The people with the strongest claim to Ibrahim are those who followed him and this Prophet and those who believe. Allah is the Protector of the believers. (3:68)

Allah knows best who your enemies are. Allah suffices as a Protector; Allah suffices as a Helper. (4:45)

What reason could you have for not fighting in the Way of Allah—for those men, women and children who are oppressed and say, ‘Our Lord, take us out of this city whose inhabitants are wrongdoers! Give us a protector from You! Give us a helper from You!?’ (4:75)

It is not a matter of wishful thinking on your part nor of the wishful thinking of the People of the Book. Anyone who does evil will be repaid for it. He will not find any protector or helper besides Allah. (4:123)

Say: ‘Am I to take anyone other than Allah as my protector, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and the earth, He Who feeds and is not fed?’ Say: ‘I am commanded to be the first of the Muslims,’ and, ‘Do not be among the idolaters.’ (6:14)

Warn by it those who fear they will be gathered

to their Lord, having no protector or intercessor apart from Him, so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (6:51)

Abandon those who have turned their religion into a game and a diversion and who have been deluded by the life of this world. Remind by it lest a person is delivered up to destruction for what he has earned with no protector or intercessor besides Allah. Were he to offer every kind of compensation, it would not be accepted from him. Such people are delivered up to destruction for what they have earned. They will have scalding water to drink and a painful punishment because they disbelieved. (6:70)

They will have the Abode of Peace with their Lord. He is their Protector because of what they have done. (6:127)

Follow what has been sent down to you from your Lord and do not follow any protectors apart from Him. How little you remember! (7:3)

Musa chose seventy men from his people for Our appointed time and when the earthquake seized them he said, ‘My Lord, if You had willed, You could have destroyed them previously and me as well. Would you destroy us for what the fools among us did? It was only a trial from You by which You misguided those You willed and guided those You willed. You are our Protector so forgive us and have mercy on us. You are the Best of Forgivers.’ (7:155)

(Say:) ‘My Protector is Allah Who sent down the Book. He takes care of the righteous.’ (7:196)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah, and those who have given refuge and help, they are the friends and protectors of one another. But as for those who believe but have not migrated, you are not in any way responsible for their protection until they migrate. But if they ask you for help in respect of the religion, it is your duty to help them, except against people you have a treaty with. Allah sees what you do. (8:72)

Those who disbelieve are the friends and protectors of one another. If you do not act in this way there will be turmoil in the land and great corruption. (8:73)

Allah is He to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs. He gives life and causes to die. You have no protector or helper besides Allah. (9:116)

They were not able to thwart Allah on earth, and had no protectors besides Allah. The punishment will be doubled for them. They were unable to hear and could not see. (11:20)

Do not rely on those who do wrong thus causing the Fire to afflict you, for you have no protector besides Allah; then you will not be helped. (11:113)

Everyone has a succession of angels in front of him and behind him, guarding him by Allah's command. Allah never changes a people's state until they change what is in themselves. When Allah desires evil for a people, there is no averting it. They have no protector apart from Him. (13:11)

Say: 'Who is the Lord of the heavens and the earth?' Say: 'Allah.' Say: 'So why have you taken protectors apart from Him who possess no power to help or harm themselves?' Say: 'Are the blind and seeing equal? Or are darkness and light the same? Or have they assigned partners to Allah Who creates as He creates, so that all creating seems the same to them?' Say: 'Allah is the Creator of everything. He is the One, the All-Conquering.' (13:16)

By Allah, We sent Messengers to communities before your time, but Satan made their actions seem good to them. Therefore today he is their protector. They will have a painful punishment. (16:63)

Whoever Allah guides is truly guided. But as for those He leads astray, you will not find any protectors for them apart from Him. We will gather them on the Day of Rising, flat on their faces, blind, dumb and deaf. Their shelter will be Hell. Whenever the Blaze dies down, We will increase it for them. (17:97)

You would have seen the sun, when it rose, inclining away from their cave towards the right, and, when it set, leaving them behind on the left, while they were lying in an open part of it. That was one of Allah's Signs. Whoever Allah guides is truly guided. But if He misguides someone,

you will find no protector for them to guide them rightly. (18:17)

Say: 'Allah knows best how long they stayed. The Unseen of the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. How perfectly He sees, how well He hears! They have no protector apart from Him. Nor does He share His rule with anyone.' (18:26)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam,' they prostrated with the exception of Diabolus. He was one of the jinn and wantonly deviated from his Lord's command. Do you take him and his offspring as protectors apart from Me when they are your enemy? How evil is the exchange the wrongdoers make! (18:50) Do those who disbelieve imagine that they can take My servants as protectors instead of Me? We have prepared Hell as hospitality for the disbelievers! (18:102)

They will say, 'Glory be to You! It would not have been fitting for us to have taken any protectors apart from You. But You let them and their fathers enjoy themselves so that they forgot the Reminder. They were people devoid of good.' (25:18)

They said, 'Let us make an oath to one another by Allah that we will fall on him and his family in the night and then say to his protector, "We did not witness the destruction of his family and we are telling the truth." (27:49)

(Say:) 'There is no way out for you in earth or heaven. You have no protector or helper besides Allah.' (29:22)

The metaphor of those who take protectors besides Allah is that of a spider which builds itself a house; but no house is flimsier than a spider's house, if they only knew. (29:41)

Say: 'Who is going to shield you from Allah if He desires evil for you or desires mercy for you?' They will find no one to protect or help them besides Allah. (33:17)

Allah has cursed the disbelievers and prepared a Searing Blaze for them where they will remain timelessly, for ever and ever, not finding any protector or any helper. (33:64-65)

They (angels) will say, 'Glory be to You! You are our Protector, not them. No, they were worshiping the jinn. They mostly had faith in them.' (34:41)

Indeed is the sincere religion not Allah's alone? If people take protectors besides Him—'We only worship them so that they may bring us nearer to Allah'—Allah will judge between them regarding the things about which they differed. Allah does not guide anyone who is an ungrateful liar. (39:3)

We are your protectors in the life of this world and the hereafter. You will have there all that your selves could wish for. You will have there everything you demand. (41:31)

As for those who take others besides Him as protectors, Allah takes care of them. You are not set over them as a guardian. (42:6)

If Allah had willed, He would have made them a single nation. But He admits whoever He wills into His mercy and the wrongdoers have no protector and no helper. (42:8)

Have they then taken others besides Him as protectors? But Allah is the Protector. He gives life to the dead. He has power over all things. (42:9)

It is He Who sends down abundant rain, after they have lost all hope, and unfolds His mercy. He is the Protector, the Praiseworthy. (42:28)

You will not be able to thwart Him on the earth and you have no protector or helper besides Allah. (42:31)

Whoever Allah misguides has no one to protect them after that. You will see the wrongdoers saying, when they see the punishment, 'Is there no way back?' (42:44)

They have no one to protect or help them apart from Allah. There is no way out for anyone Allah misguides. (42:46)

Hell is right at their heels. Nothing they have earned will be of any use to them, nor will those they took as protectors besides Allah. They will have a terrible punishment. (45:10)

They will not help you in any way against Allah. The wrongdoers are protectors of one another but Allah is the Protector of those who guard against evil. (45:19)

(A group of jinn said to their people,) 'Those who do not respond to Allah's caller cannot thwart Allah on earth and have no protectors apart from Him. Such people are clearly misguided.' (46:32) That is because Allah is the Protector of those who believe and because those who disbelieve

have no protector. (47:11)

If those who disbelieve should fight you, they would turn their backs and then find no one to protect or help them. (48:22)

## PROVIDE

That is the Book, without any doubt. It contains guidance for those who guard against evil: those who believe in the Unseen and perform prayer and spend from what We have provided for them; (2:2-3)

And We shaded you with clouds and sent down manna and quails to you: 'Eat of the good things We have provided for you.' They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they were wronging. (2:57)

And when Ibrahim said, 'My Lord, make this a place of safety and provide its inhabitants with fruits—all of them who believe in Allah and the Last Day,' He said, 'I will let anyone who becomes a disbeliever enjoy himself a little but then I will drive him to the punishment of the Fire. What an evil destination!' (2:126)

You who believe! Eat of the good things We have provided for you and give thanks to Allah if you worship Him alone. (2:172)

To those who disbelieve, the life of this world is painted in glowing colours and they laugh at those who believe. But on the Day of Rising those who fear Allah will be over them. Allah provides for whoever He wills without any reckoning. (2:212)

You who believe! Give away some of what We have provided for you before a Day arrives on which there is no trading, no close friendship and no intercession. It is the disbelievers who are the wrongdoers. (2:254)

(Say, 'O Allah!) You merge the night into the day. You merge the day into the night. You bring out the living from the dead. You bring out the dead from the living. You provide for whoever You will without any reckoning.' (3:27)

Her Lord accepted her with approval and made her grow in health and beauty. And Zakariyya became her guardian. Every time Zakariyya visited her in the Upper Room, he found food with her. He said, 'Maryam, how did you come by

this?' She said, 'It is from Allah. Allah provides for whoever He wills without any reckoning.' (3:37) Do not suppose that those killed in the Way of Allah are dead. No indeed! They are alive and well provided for in the very presence of their Lord. (3:169)

Do not hand over to the simple-minded any property of theirs for which Allah has made you responsible, but provide for them and clothe them out of it, and speak to them correctly and courteously. (4:5)

If other relatives or orphans or poor people attend the sharing-out, provide for them out of it and speak to them correctly and courteously. (4:8)

What harm would it have done them to have believed in Allah and the Last Day and to have given of what Allah has provided for them? Allah knows everything about them. (4:39)

Eat the lawful and good things Allah has provided for you, and have fear of Allah, Him in Whom you believe. (5:88)

Isa son of Maryam said, 'Allah, our Lord, send down a table to us out of heaven to be a feast for us, for the first and last of us, and as a Sign from You. Provide for us! You are the Best of Providers!' (5:114)

Those who kill their children foolishly without any knowledge and make what Allah has provided for them forbidden, inventing lies against Allah, such people are lost. They are misguided. They are not guided. (6:140)

And also animals for riding and for haulage and animals for slaughtering and for wool. Eat what Allah has provided for you and do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He is an outright enemy to you. (6:142)

Say: 'Come and I will recite to you what your Lord has made forbidden for you': that you do not associate anything with Him; that you are good to your parents; that you do not kill your children because of poverty—We will provide for you and them; that you do not approach indecency—outward or inward; that you do not kill any person Allah has made inviolate—except with the right to do so. That is what He instructs you to do so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (6:151)

We divided them up into twelve tribes—communities. We revealed to Musa, when his people asked him for water: 'Strike the rock with your staff.' Twelve fountains flowed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. And We shaded them with clouds and sent down manna and quails to them: 'Eat of the good things We have provided you with.' They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they wronged. (7:160) (Believers are) those who perform prayer and give of what We have provided for them. (8:3) When you were few and oppressed in the land, afraid that the people would snatch you away, He gave you refuge and supported you with His help and provided you with good things so that hopefully you would be thankful. (8:26)

Say: 'Who provides for you out of heaven and earth? Who controls hearing and sight? Who brings forth the living from the dead and the dead from the living? Who directs the whole affair?' They will say, 'Allah.' Say, 'So will you not guard against evil?' (10:31)

Tell My servants who believe that they should perform prayer and give from what We have provided for them, secretly and openly, before a Day arrives on which there will be no trading and no friendship. (14:31)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord! I have settled some of my offspring by Your Sacred House in an uncultivated valley. Our Lord! Let them perform prayer! Make the hearts of mankind incline towards them and provide them with fruits, so that hopefully they will be thankful.' (14:37)

And We put livelihoods in it both for you and for those you do not provide for. (15:20)

So eat from what Allah has provided for you, lawful and good, and be thankful for the blessing of Allah if it is Him you worship. (16:114)

Do not kill your children out of fear of being poor. We will provide for them and you. Killing them is a terrible mistake. (17:31)

We have honoured the sons of Adam and conveyed them on land and sea and provided them with good things and favoured them greatly over many We have created. (17:70)

Eat of the good things We have provided for you but do not go to excess in it or My anger will be

unleashed on you. Anyone who has My anger unleashed on him has plunged to his ruin. (20:81)

Announce the Pilgrimage to mankind. They will come to you on foot and on every sort of lean animal, coming by every distant road so that they can be present at what will profit them and invoke Allah's name on specific days over live-stock He has provided for them. Eat of them and feed those who are poor and in need. (22:27-28) ... Give good news to the humble-hearted, whose hearts quake at the mention of Allah, and who are steadfast in the face of all that happens to them, those who perform prayer and give of what We have provided for them. (22:34-35)

Those who migrate in the Way of Allah and then are killed or die, Allah will provide for them handsomely. Truly Allah is the best Provider. (22:58)

Are you asking them for payment? Your Lord's payment is better. He is the Best of Providers. (23:72)

(This is) so that Allah can reward them for the best of what they did and give them more from His unbounded favour. Allah provides for anyone He wills without reckoning. (24:38)

He Who originates creation and then regenerates it and provides for you from out of heaven and earth. Is there another god besides Allah? Say: 'Bring your proof if you are being truthful.' (27:64) They will be given their reward twice over because they have been steadfast and because they ward off the bad with the good and give from what we have provided for them. (28:54)

He has made an example for you from among yourselves. Are any of the slaves you own partners with you in what We have provided for you so that you are equal in respect of it, you fearing them the same as one another? In that way We make Our Signs clear for people who use their intellect. (30:28)

Allah is He Who created you, then provides for you, then will cause you to die and then bring you back to life. Can any of your partner-gods do any of that? Glory be to Him and may He be exalted above anything they associate with Him! (30:40) Their sides eschew their beds as they call on their

Lord in fear and ardent hope. And they give of what We have provided for them. (32:16)

Say: 'Who provides for you from the heavens and earth?' Say: 'Allah. It is certain that one or the other of us, either we or you, is following guidance or else clearly astray.' (34:24)

Mankind! Remember Allah's blessing to you. Is there any creator other than Allah providing for you from heaven and earth? There is no god but Him. So how have you been perverted? (35:3)

Those who recite the Book of Allah and perform prayer and give of what We have provided for them, secretly and openly, hope for a transaction which will not prove profitless. (35:29)

Whoever does an evil act will only be repaid with its equivalent. But whoever acts rightly, male or female, being a believer, such a person will enter the Garden, provided for in it without any reckoning. (40:40)

It is Allah Who made the earth a stable home for you and the sky a dome, and formed you, giving you the best of forms, and provided you with good and wholesome things. That is Allah, your Lord. Blessed be Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (40:64)

Allah is very gentle with His servants. He provides for anyone He wills. He is the Most Strong, the Almighty. (42:19)

(Believers are) those who respond to their Lord and perform prayer, and manage their affairs by mutual consultation and give of what We have provided for them. (42:38)

We gave the Book and Judgement and Prophethood to the tribe of Israel and provided them with good things and favoured them over all other people. (45:16)

Truly Allah, He is the Provider, the Possessor of Strength, the Sure. (51:58)

But when they see a chance of trade or entertainment they scatter off to it and leave you standing there. Say: 'What is with Allah is better than trade or entertainment. Allah is the Best of Providers.' (62:11)

Give from what We have provided for you before death comes to one of you and he says, 'My Lord, if only you would give me a little more time so that I can give charity and be one of the right-

eous!' (63:10)

... Whoever has fear of Allah—He will give him a way out and provide for him from where he does not expect. Whoever puts his trust in Allah—He will be enough for him. Allah always achieves His aim. Allah has appointed a measure for all things. (65:2-3)

(Allah has sent down) a Messenger reciting Allah's Clear Signs to you to bring those who believe and do right actions out of the darkness into the Light. Whoever believes in Allah and acts rightly, We will admit him into Gardens with rivers flowing under them remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah has provided for him excellently! (65:11)

It is He Who made the earth submissive to you, so walk its broad trails and eat what it provides.

The Resurrection is to Him. (67:15)

## PROVISION

It is He Who made the earth a couch for you, and the sky a dome. He sends down water from the sky and by it brings forth fruits for your provision. Do not, then, knowingly make others equal to Allah. (2:22)

Give the good news to those who believe and do right actions that they will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them. When they are given fruit there as provision, they will say, 'This is what we were given before.' But they were only given a simulation of it. They will have there spouses of perfect purity and will remain there timelessly, for ever. (2:25)

And when Musa was looking for water for his people, We said, 'Strike the rock with your staff.' Then twelve fountains gushed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. 'Eat and drink of Allah's provision and do not go about the earth corrupting it.' (2:60)

The pilgrimage takes place during certain well-known months. If anyone undertakes the obligation of pilgrimage in them, there must be no sexual intercourse, no wrongdoing, nor any quarrelling during pilgrimage. Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. Take provision; but the best provision is fear of Allah. So have fear of Me, people of intelligence! (2:197)

Say: 'Who has forbidden the fine clothing Allah has produced for His servants and the good kinds of provision?' Say: 'On the Day of Rising such things will be exclusively for those who believed during their life in this world.' In this way We make the Signs clear for people who know. (7:32)

The Companions of the Fire will call out to the Companions of the Garden, 'Throw down some water to us or some of what Allah has given you as provision.' They will say, 'Allah has forbidden them to the disbelievers.' (7:50)

They are in truth the believers. They have high ranks with their Lord and forgiveness and generous provision. (8:4)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived in the Way of Allah and those who have given refuge and help, they are the true believers. They will have forgiveness and generous provision. (8:74)

Say: 'What do you think about the things Allah has sent down to you as provision which you have then designated as lawful and forbidden?'

Say: 'Has Allah given you authority to do this or are you inventing lies against Allah?' (10:59)

We settled the tribe of Israel in a noble place and gave them good things as provision. They did not differ until knowledge came to them. Your Lord will decide between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things about which they differed. (10:93)

There is no creature on the earth which is not dependent upon Allah for its provision. He knows where it lives and where it dies. They are all in a Clear Book. (11:6)

He (Shu'ayb) said, 'My people! What do you think? If I do possess a Clear Sign from my Lord and He has given me His good provision, I would clearly not want to go behind your backs and do something I have forbidden you to do. I only want to put things right as far as I can. My success is with Allah alone. I have put my trust in Him and I turn to Him.' (11:88)

(The people of intelligence are) those who are steadfast in seeking the face of their Lord, and perform prayer and give from the provision We have given them, secretly and openly, and stave

off evil with good, it is they who will have the Ultimate Abode. (13:22)

Allah expands provision to anyone He wills and restricts it. They rejoice in the life of this world. Yet the life of this world, compared to the hereafter, is only fleeting enjoyment. (13:26)

Allah is He Who created the heavens and the earth and sends down water from the sky and by it brings forth fruits as provision for you. He has made the ships subservient to you to run upon the sea by His command, and He has made the rivers subservient to you. (14:32)

They allot a portion of the provision We have given them to things they have no knowledge of at all. By Allah, you will be asked about what you invented! (16:56)

And from the fruit of the date-palm and the grape-vine you derive both intoxicants and wholesome provision. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who use their intellect. (16:67) Allah has favoured some of you over others in provision, but those who have been favoured do not give their provision to their slaves so they become the same in respect of it. So why do they renounce the blessings of Allah? (16:71)

Allah has given you wives from among yourselves, and given you children and grandchildren from your wives, and provided good things for you. So why do they believe in falsehood and reject the blessings of Allah, and worship, instead of Allah, things that have no control over their provision from the heavens or earth in any way, and are themselves completely impotent? (16:72-73)

Allah does make a metaphor: an owned slave possessing no power over anything, and someone We have given plentiful provision who gives out from it secretly and openly. Are they the same? Praise be to Allah! They are not! But most people do not know it. (16:75)

Allah makes an example of a city which was safe and at peace, its provision coming to it plentifully from every side. Then it showed ingratitude for Allah's blessings so Allah made it wear the robes of hunger and fear for what it did. (16:112) Your Lord expands the provision of anyone He wills and restricts it. He is aware of and sees His

servants. (17:30)

They will not hear any prattling there—nothing but 'Peace'. They will receive their provision there morning and night. (19:62)

Do not direct your eyes longingly to what We have given certain of them to enjoy, the flower of the life of this world, so that We can test them by it. Your Lord's provision is better and longer lasting. (20:131)

Instruct your family to perform prayer, and be constant in it. We do not ask you for provision. We provide for you. And the outcome rests on doing your duty. (20:132)

As for those who believe and do right actions, they will have forgiveness and generous provision. (22:50)

Corrupt women are for corrupt men and corrupt men are for corrupt women, Good women are for good men and good men are for good women. The latter are innocent of what they say. They will have forgiveness and generous provision. (24:26)

They say, 'If we follow the guidance with you, we shall be forcibly uprooted from our land.' Have We not established a safe haven for them to which produce of every kind is brought, provision direct from Us? But most of them do not know it. (28:57)

Those who had longed to take his place the day before woke up saying, 'Allah expands the provision of any of His servants He wills or restricts it. If Allah had not shown great kindness to us, we would have been swallowed up as well. Ah! Truly the disbelievers are not successful.' (28:82) (Ibrahim said,) 'Instead of Allah you worship only idols. You are inventing a lie. Those you worship besides Allah have no power to provide for you. So seek your provision from Allah and worship Him and give thanks to Him. It is to Him you will be returned.' (29:17)

How many creatures do not carry their provision with them! Allah provides for them and He will for you. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing. (29:60)

Allah expands the provision of any of His servants He wills and restricts it. Allah has knowledge of all things. (29:62)

Do they not see that Allah expands provision for whoever He wills and also restricts it? There are certainly Signs in that for people who believe. (30:37)

But those of you who are obedient to Allah and His Messenger and act rightly will be given their reward twice over; and We have prepared generous provision for them. (33:31)

This is so that He may recompense those who believe and do right actions. They will have forgiveness and generous provision. (34:4)

There was also a sign for Saba in their dwelling place: two gardens—one to the right and one to the left. ‘Eat of your Lord’s provision and give thanks to Him: a bountiful land and a forgiving Lord.’ (34:15)

Say: ‘My Lord expands the provision of anyone He wills or restricts it. But the majority of mankind do not know it.’ (34:36)

Say: ‘My Lord expands the provision of any of His servants He wills or restricts it. But anything you expend will be replaced by Him. He is the Best of Providers.’ (34:39)

And when they are told, ‘Spend from the provision Allah has given you,’ those who disbelieve say to those who believe, ‘Why should we feed someone whom, if He wished, Allah would feed Himself? You are clearly in error.’ (36:47)

They (believers) will have preordained provision (in Gardens of Delight). (37:41)

This is Our provision which will never run out. (38:54)

Do they not know that Allah expands the provision of anyone He wills and restricts it? There are certainly Signs in that for people who believe. (39:52)

It is He Who shows you His Signs and sends down provision to you out of heaven. But none pay heed save those who repent. (40:13)

The Keys of the heavens and earth belong to Him. He expands the provision of anyone He wills or restricts it. He has knowledge of all things. (42:12)

Were Allah to expand the provision of His servants, they would act as tyrants on the earth. But He sends down whatever He wills in a measured way. He is aware of and He sees His servants. (42:27)

And in the alternation of night and day and the provision Allah sends down from the sky, bringing the earth to life by it after it has died, and the varying direction of the winds, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (45:5)

(And We sent down blessed water from the sky) as provision for Our servants; by it We brought a dead land to life. That is how the Emergence will take place. (50:11)

Your provision is in heaven—and what you are promised. (51:22)

I do not require any provision from them and I do not require them to nourish Me. (51:57)

Do you nonetheless regard this discourse with scorn and think your provision depends on your denial of the truth? (56:81-82)

He who has plenty should spend out from his plenty, but he whose provision is restricted should spend from what Allah has given him. Allah does not demand from any self more than He has given it. Allah will appoint after difficulty, ease. (65:7)

Who is there who could provide for you if He withholds His provision? Yet still they obstinately persist in insolence and evasion. (67:21)

But then when He tests him by restricting his provision, he says, ‘My Lord has humiliated me!’ (89:16)

## PSALMS (SEE ZABUR)

## PUBERTY

You who believe! Those you own as slaves and those of you who have not yet reached puberty should ask your permission to enter at three times: before the Dawn Prayer, when you have undressed at noon, and after the Prayer of Night—three times of nakedness for you. There is nothing wrong for you or them at other times in moving around among yourselves from one to another. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (24:58)

Once your children have reached puberty, they should ask your permission to enter as those before them also asked permission. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (24:59)

## PUNISHMENT

Allah has sealed up their hearts and hearing and over their eyes is a blindfold. They will have a terrible punishment. (2:7)

There is a sickness in their hearts and Allah has increased their sickness. They will have a painful punishment on account of their denial. (2:10)

Remember when We rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you—slaughtering your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial for you from your Lord. (2:49)

We made it an exemplary punishment for those there then, and those coming afterwards, and a warning to those who guard against evil. (2:66)

Then you are the people who are killing one another and expelling a group among you from their homes, ganging up against them in wrongdoing and enmity. Yet if they are brought to you as captives, you ransom them, when it was forbidden for you to expel them in the first place! Do you, then, believe in one part of the Book and reject the other? What repayment will there be for any of you who do that except disgrace in this world? And on the Day of Rising, they will be returned to the harshest of punishments. Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:85)

Those are the people who trade the hereafter for this world. The punishment will not be lightened for them. They will not be helped. (2:86)

What an evil thing they have sold themselves for in rejecting what Allah has sent down, outraged that Allah should send down His favour on whichever of His servants He wills. They have brought down anger upon anger on themselves. The disbelievers will have a humiliating punishment. (2:90)

Rather you will find them the people greediest for life, along with the idolaters. One of them would love to be allowed to live a thousand years. But being allowed to live would not save him from the punishment. Allah sees what they do. (2:96)

You who believe! Do not say, ‘Listen to us,’ say, ‘Look at us,’ and listen well. The disbelievers will have a painful punishment. (2:104)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who

bars access to the mosques of Allah, preventing His name from being remembered in them, and goes about destroying them? Such people will never be able to enter them—except in fear. They will have disgrace in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (2:114) And when Ibrahim said, ‘My Lord, make this a place of safety and provide its inhabitants with fruits—all of them who believe in Allah and the Last Day,’ He said, ‘I will let anyone who becomes a disbeliever enjoy himself a little but then I will drive him to the punishment of the Fire. What an evil destination!’ (2:126)

But as for those who disbelieve and die while they are disbelievers, the curse of Allah is upon them and that of the angels and all mankind. They will be under it for ever. The punishment will not be lightened for them. They will be granted no reprieve. (2:161-162)

Some people set up equals to Allah, loving them as they should love Allah. But those who believe have greater love for Allah. If only you could see those who do wrong at the time when they see the punishment, and that truly all strength belongs to Allah, and that Allah is severe in punishment. (2:165)

When those who were followed disown those who followed them, and they see the punishment, and the connection between them is cut, (2:166)

Those who conceal what Allah has sent down of the Book and sell it cheap, take nothing into their bellies but the Fire. On the Day of Rising Allah will not speak to them or purify them. They will have a painful punishment. (2:174)

Those are the ones who have sold guidance for misguidance and forgiveness for punishment. How steadfastly they will endure the Fire! (2:175)

You who believe! Retaliation is prescribed for you in the case of people killed: free man for free man, slave for slave, female for female. But if someone is absolved by his brother, blood-money should be claimed with correctness and paid with good will. That is an easement and a mercy from your Lord. Anyone who goes beyond the limits after this will receive a painful punish-

ment. (2:178)

And there are others who say, 'Our Lord, give us good in this world, and good in the hereafter, and safeguard us from the punishment of the Fire.' (2:201)

He has sent down the Book to you with truth, confirming what was there before it. And He sent down the Torah and the Gospel, previously, as guidance for mankind, and He has sent down the Furqan (Discrimination). Those who reject Allah's Signs will have a terrible punishment. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (3:3-4)

(His servants are) those who say, 'Our Lord, we believe, so forgive us our wrong actions and safeguard us from the punishment of the Fire.' (3:16)

As for those who reject Allah's Signs, and kill the Prophets without any right to do so, and kill those who command justice, give them news of a painful punishment. (3:21)

(Allah said,) 'As for those who disbelieve, I will punish them with a harsh punishment in this world and the hereafter. They will have no helpers.' (3:56)

Those who sell Allah's contract and their own oaths for a paltry price, such people will have no portion in the hereafter and on the Day of Rising Allah will not speak to them or look at them or purify them. They will have a painful punishment. (3:77)

They will be under it for ever. Their punishment will not be lightened. They will be granted no reprieve. (3:88)

As for those who disbelieve and die while they are disbelievers, the whole earth filled with gold would not be accepted from any of them if they were to offer it as a ransom. They will have a painful punishment. They will have no helpers. (3:91)

Do not be like those who split up and differed after the Clear Signs came to them. They will have a terrible punishment. (3:105)

On the Day when faces are whitened and faces are blackened. As for those whose faces are blackened: 'What! Did you disbelieve after having believed? Taste the punishment for your disbelief!' (3:106)

Do not let those who rush headlong into disbelief

sadden you. They do not harm Allah in any way. Allah desires to assign no portion to them in the hereafter. They will have a terrible punishment. (3:176)

Those who sell faith for disbelief do not harm Allah in any way. They will have a painful punishment. (3:177)

Those who disbelieve should not imagine that the extra time We grant to them is good for them. We only allow them more time so they will increase in evildoing. They will have a humiliating punishment. (3:178)

Allah has heard the words of those who say, 'Allah is poor and we are rich.' We will write down what they said and their killing of the Prophets without any right to do so and We will say, 'Taste the punishment of the Burning.' (3:181)

Those who exult in what they have done and love to be praised for what they have not done should not suppose that they have escaped the punishment. They will have a painful punishment. (3:188)

(People with intelligence are) those who remember Allah, standing, sitting and lying on their sides, and reflect on the creation of the heavens and the earth: 'Our Lord, You have not created this for nothing. Glory be to You! So safeguard us from the punishment of the Fire.' (3:191)

As for those who disobey Allah and His Messenger and overstep His limits, We will admit them into a Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. They will have a humiliating punishment. (4:14)

There is no repentance for people who persist in doing evil until death comes to them and who then say, 'Now I repent,' nor for people who die disbelievers. We have prepared for them a painful punishment. (4:18)

If any of you do not have the means to marry free women who are believers, you may marry slave-girls who are believers. Allah knows best about your faith; you are all the same in that respect. Marry them with their owners' permission and give them their dowries correctly and courteously as married women, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. When they are married, if

they commit fornication they should receive half the punishment of free women. This is for those of you who are afraid of committing fornication. But being patient is better for you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:25)

As for those who are tight-fisted and direct others to be tight-fisted, and hide the bounty Allah has given them, We have prepared a humiliating punishment for those who disbelieve. (4:37)

As for those who reject Our Signs, We will roast them in a Fire. Every time their skins are burned off, We will replace them with new skins so that they can taste the punishment. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (4:56)

As for anyone who kills a believer deliberately, his repayment is Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. Allah is angry with him and has cursed him, and has prepared for him a terrible punishment. (4:93)

When you are with them and leading them in prayer, a group of them should stand with you, keeping hold of their weapons. When they prostrate, the others should guard your backs. Then the other group who have not yet prayed should come and pray with you. They too should be careful and keep hold of their weapons. Those who disbelieve would like you to be negligent of your arms and equipment so that they can swoop down on you once and for all. There is nothing wrong, if you are bothered by rain or you are ill, in laying your weapons down; but take every precaution. Allah has prepared a humiliating punishment for the disbelievers. (4:102)

Give news to the hypocrites that they will have a painful punishment. (4:138)

Such people are the true disbelievers. We have prepared a humiliating punishment for the disbelievers. (4:151)

And because of their practising usury when they were forbidden to do it, and because of their consuming people's wealth by wrongful means, We have prepared for the disbelievers among them a painful punishment. (4:161)

As for those who believe and do right actions, He will pay them their wages in full and will give them increase from His favour. As for those who show disdain and grow arrogant, He will punish

them with a painful punishment. They will not find any protector or helper for themselves besides Allah. (4:173)

The reprisal against those who wage war on Allah and His Messenger, and go about the earth corrupting it, is that they should be killed or crucified, or have their alternate hands and feet cut off, or be banished from the land. That will be their degradation in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (5:33) They will want to get out of the Fire but they will not be able to. They will have an everlasting punishment. (5:37)

O Messenger! Do not be grieved by those who rush headlong into disbelief among those who say 'We believe' with their tongues when their hearts contain no faith. And among the Jews are those who listen to lies, listening to other people who have not come to you, distorting words from their proper meanings, saying, 'If you are given this, then take it. If you are not given it, then beware!' If Allah desires misguidance for someone, you cannot help him against Allah in any way. Those are the people whose hearts Allah does not want to purify. They will have disgrace in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (5:41)

Those who say that Allah is the third of three are disbelievers. There is no god but One God. If they do not stop saying what they say, a painful punishment will afflict those among them who disbelieve. (5:73)

You see many of them taking those who disbelieve as their friends. What their lower selves have advanced for them is evil indeed, bringing Allah's anger down upon them. They will suffer punishment timelessly, for ever. (5:80)

You who believe! Allah will test you with game animals which come within the reach of your hands and spears, so that Allah will know those who fear Him in the Unseen. Anyone who oversteps the limits after this will have a painful punishment. (5:94)

Allah said, 'I will send it down to you but if anyone among you disbelieves after that, I will punish him with a punishment the like of which I will not inflict on anyone else in all the worlds!' (5:115)

Say: 'I fear, were I to disobey my Lord, the punishment of a dreadful Day.' (6:15)

Anyone from whom punishment is averted on that Day has been shown great mercy by Allah. That is the Clear Victory. (6:16)

If only you could see when they are standing before their Lord. He will say, 'Is this not the Truth?' They will say, 'Yes indeed, by our Lord!' He will say, 'Then taste the punishment for your disbelief.' (6:30)

Say: 'What do you think? If Allah's punishment were to come upon you or the Hour, would you call on other than Allah if you are being truthful?' (6:40)

Say: 'What do you think? If Allah's punishment were to come upon you suddenly by night or openly by day, would any but the wrongdoing people be destroyed?' (6:47)

The punishment will fall on those who deny Our Signs because they were deviators. (6:49)

Say: 'He possesses the power to send you punishment from above your heads or from beneath your feet, or to confuse you in sects and make you taste one another's violence.' Look how We vary the Signs so that hopefully they will understand. (6:65)

Abandon those who have turned their religion into a game and a diversion and who have been deluded by the life of this world. Remind by it lest a person is delivered up to destruction for what he has earned with no protector or intercessor besides Allah. Were he to offer every kind of compensation, it would not be accepted from him. Such people are delivered up to destruction for what they have earned. They will have scalding water to drink and a painful punishment because they disbelieved. (6:70)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs, or who says, 'It has been revealed to me,' when nothing has been revealed to him, or someone who says, 'I will send down the same as Allah has sent down'? If you could only see the wrongdoers in the throes of death when the angels are stretching out their hands, saying, 'Disgorge your own selves! Today you will be repaid with the punishment of humiliation for saying something

other than the truth about Allah, and being arrogant about His Signs.' (6:93)

When a Sign comes to them, they say, 'We will not believe until we have been given the same as the Messengers of Allah were given.' Allah knows best where to place His Message. Debasement in the sight of Allah and a severe punishment will strike those who did wrong for the plots that they concocted. (6:124)

Nor can you say: 'If the Book had been sent down to us, We would have been better guided than they were.' For a Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord, and guidance and mercy. Who could do greater wrong than someone who denies Allah's Signs and turns away from them? We will repay those who turn away from Our Signs with the worst kind of punishment because they turned away. (6:157)

He will say, 'Enter the Fire together with the nations of jinn and men who have passed away before you.' Each time a nation enters, it will curse its sister nation, until, when they are all gathered together in it, the last of them will say to the first, 'Our Lord, those are the ones who misguided us, so give them a double punishment in the Fire.' He will say, 'Each will receive double. But you do not know it.' (7:38)

The first of them will say to the last, 'You are in no way superior to us so taste the punishment for what you earned.' (7:39)

We sent Nuh to his people and he said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. I fear for you the punishment of a dreadful Day.' (7:59)

He (Hud) said, 'Punishment and anger have come down on you from your Lord. Do you argue with me regarding names which you and your forefathers invented and for which Allah has sent down no authority? Wait, then; I am waiting with you.' (7:71)

And to Thamud We sent their brother Salih, who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. A Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord. This is the She-Camel of Allah as a Sign for you. Leave her alone to eat on Allah's earth and do not harm her in any way or a painful punishment will afflict you.' (7:73)

Remember when We rescued you from Pharaoh's people who were inflicting an evil punishment on you, killing your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord. (7:141)

(Musa said,) 'Prescribe good for us in this world and the hereafter. We have truly turned to You.' He said, 'As for My punishment, I strike with it anyone I will. My mercy extends to all things but I will prescribe it for those who guard against evil and give the alms, and those who believe in Our Signs.' (7:156)

Then when they forgot what they had been reminded of, We rescued those who had forbidden the evil and seized those who did wrong with a harsh punishment because they were deviators. (7:165)

Then your Lord announced that He would send against them until the Day of Rising people who would inflict an evil punishment on them. Your Lord is Swift in Retribution. And He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (7:167)

That is your reward, so taste it. The disbelievers will also have the punishment of the Fire. (8:14) And they (disbelievers) say, 'Allah, if this is really the truth from You, rain down stones on us out of heaven or send a painful punishment down on us.' (8:32)

Their prayer at the House is nothing but whistling and clapping. So taste the punishment because you disbelieved! (8:35)

If only you could see when the angels take back those who disbelieved at their death, beating their faces and their backs: 'Taste the punishment of the Burning!' (8:50)

Were it not for a prior decree which had already proceeded from Allah, a terrible punishment would have afflicted you on account of what you took. (8:68)

A proclamation from Allah and His Messenger to mankind on the day of the greater pilgrimage: 'Allah is free of the idolaters, as is His Messenger. If you repent, it will be better for you. But if you turn your backs, know that you cannot thwart Allah.' Give those who disbelieve the news of a painful punishment. (9:3)

You who believe! Many of the rabbis and monks

devour people's property under false pretences and bar people from access to the Way of Allah. As for those who hoard up gold and silver and do not spend it in the Way of Allah, give them the news of a painful punishment. (9:34)

If you do not go out to fight, He will punish you with a painful punishment and substitute another people in your place. You will not harm Him in any way. Allah has power over all things. (9:39)

Say: 'What do you await for us except for one of the two best things? But what we await for you is for Allah to inflict a punishment on you either directly from Himself or at our hands. So wait, we are waiting with you!' (9:52)

Among them are some who insult the Prophet, saying he is only an ear. Say, 'An ear of good for you, believing in Allah and believing in the believers, and a mercy for those among you who believe.' As for those who insult the Messenger of Allah, they will have a painful punishment. (9:61)

Allah has promised the men and women of the hypocrites and disbelievers the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. It will suffice them. Allah has cursed them. They will have everlasting punishment. (9:68)

They swear by Allah that they said nothing, but they definitely spoke the word of disbelief and returned to disbelief after their Islam. They planned something which they did not achieve and they were vindictive for no other cause than that Allah and His Messenger had enriched them from His bounty. If they were to repent, it would be better for them. But if they turn away, Allah will punish them with a painful punishment in this world and the hereafter, and they will not find any protector or helper on the earth. (9:74)

As for the people who find fault with those believers who give charity spontaneously, and with those who can find nothing to give but their own effort, and deride them, Allah derides them. They will have a painful punishment. (9:79)

The desert arabs came with their excuses asking for permission to stay, and those who lied to Allah and His Messenger stayed behind. A painful punishment will afflict those among them who disbelieve. (9:90)

Some of the desert Arabs around you are hypocrites and some of the people of Madina are obdurate in their hypocrisy. You do not know them but We know them. We will punish them twice over and then they will be returned to a terrible punishment. (9:101)

Each and every one of you will return to Him. Allah's promise is true. He brings creation out of nothing and then regenerates it so that he can repay with justice those who believed and did right actions. Those who disbelieved will have a drink of scalding water and a painful punishment because of their disbelief. (10:4)

When Our Clear Signs are recited to them, those who do not expect to meet Us say, 'Bring a Qur'an other than this one or change it.' Say: 'It is not for me to change it of my own accord. I follow nothing except what is revealed to me. I fear, were I to disobey my Lord, the punishment of a Dreadful Day.' (10:15)

Say: 'What do you think? If His punishment came upon you by night or day, what part of it would the evildoers then try to hasten?' (10:50)

Then it will be said to those who did wrong, 'Taste the punishment of eternity! Have you been repaid for anything other than what you earned?' (10:52)

If every self that did wrong possessed everything on earth, it would offer it as a ransom. They will show remorse when they see the punishment. Everything will be decided between them justly. They will not be wronged. (10:54)

There is the enjoyment of this world. Then they will return to Us. Then We will let them taste the terrible punishment because they disbelieved. (10:70)

Musa said, 'Our Lord, You have given Pharaoh and his ruling circle finery and wealth in the life of this world, Our Lord, so that they may be misguided from Your Way. Our Lord, obliterate their wealth and harden their hearts so that they do not believe until they see the painful punishment.' (10:88)

Those against whom the words of your Lord are justly carried out will never believe—not even if every Sign were to come to them—until they see the painful punishment. (10:96-97)

How is it that there has never been a city that believed, whose faith then brought it benefit, except the people of Yunus? When they believed We removed from them the punishment of disgrace in the life of this world and We let them have enjoyment for a time. (10:98)

Ask your Lord for forgiveness and then repent to Him. He will let you enjoy a good life until a specified time, and will give His favour to all who merit it. But if you turn your backs, I fear for you the punishment of a Mighty Day. (11:3)

If We postpone the punishment for them for a limited time, they will say, 'What is holding it back?' No, indeed! The day it reaches them it will not be averted from them and the things they mocked at will encompass them. (11:8)

They were not able to thwart Allah on earth, and had no protectors besides Allah. The punishment will be doubled for them. They were unable to hear and could not see. (11:20)

(Nuh said to his people,) 'Worship none but Allah. I fear for you the punishment of a painful day.' (11:26)

(Nuh said,) 'You will soon know who will receive a punishment which disgraces him and find unleashed against himself an everlasting punishment.' (11:39)

It was said, 'Nuh, descend with peace from Us and with blessings on you and on the nations which will issue from those who are with you. But there are nations to whom we will give enjoyment and then a painful punishment from Us will afflict them.' (11:48)

When Our command came, We rescued Hud and those who believed along with him by a mercy from Us. We rescued them from a harsh punishment. (11:58)

(Salih said,) 'My people! Here is the she-camel of Allah as a Sign for you. So leave her alone to eat on Allah's earth and do not inflict any harm on her or you will be overcome by an imminent punishment.' (11:64)

'Ibrahim, turn away from this! Your Lord's command has come. A punishment is coming to them which cannot be repelled.' (11:76)

And (We sent) to Madyan their brother Shu'ayb. He said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no

god apart from Him. Do not give short measure and short weight. I see you prospering and I fear for you the punishment of an all-encompassing Day.' (11:84)

(Shu'ayb said,) 'My people! Do as you think best. That is what I am doing. You will certainly come to know who will receive a punishment to disgrace him, and who is a liar. So look out. I will be on the lookout with you.' (11:93)

There is certainly a Sign in that for anyone who fears the punishment of the hereafter. That is a Day to which mankind will all be gathered. That is a Day which will be witnessed by everyone. (11:103)

They raced to the door. She tore his (Yusuf's) shirt at the back. They met her husband by the door. She said, 'How should a man whose intention was to harm your family be punished for what he did except with prison or painful punishment?' (12:25)

Do they feel secure that the all-enveloping punishment of Allah will not come upon them, or that the Last Hour will not come upon them all of a sudden when they least expect it? (12:107)

They want you to hasten the bad rather than the good when examples of punishment are there before them in the past. Your Lord has forgiveness for people for their wrongdoing; but your Lord is also severe in retribution. (13:6)

They will receive punishment in the life of this world and the punishment of the hereafter is harsher still. They have no defender against Allah. (13:34)

Allah is He to Whom everything in the heavens and everything in the earth belongs. Woe to the disbelievers because of a terrible punishment. (14:2)

Remember when Musa said to his people, 'Remember Allah's blessing to you when He rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you, slaughtering your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord. And when your Lord announced: "If you are grateful, I will certainly give you increase, but if you are ungrateful, My punishment is severe." (14:6-7) He gulps at it but can hardly swallow it down.

Death comes at him from every side but he does not die. And beyond him is relentless punishment. (14:17)

They will all parade before Allah and the weak will say to those who were arrogant, 'We followed you, so can you help us at all against the punishment of Allah?' They will say, 'If Allah had guided us, we would have guided you. It makes no difference whether we cannot stand it or bear it patiently. We have no way of escape.' (14:21) When the affair is decided Satan will say, 'Allah made you a promise, a promise of truth, and I made you a promise but broke my promise. I had no authority over you, except that I called you and you responded to me. Do not, therefore, blame me but blame yourselves. I cannot come to your aid nor you to mine. I reject the way you associated me with Allah before.' The wrongdoers will have a painful punishment. (14:22)

Warn mankind of the Day when the punishment will reach them. Those who did wrong will say, 'Our Lord, reprieve us for a short time. We will respond to Your call and follow the Messengers.' 'But did you not swear to Me before that you would never meet your downfall?' (14:44)

Tell My servants that I am the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful, but also that My punishment is the Painful Punishment. (15:49-50)

Those before them also plotted, and Allah came at their building from the foundations and the roof caved in on top of them. The punishment came at them from where they did not expect. (16:26)

Do those who plot evil actions feel secure that Allah will not cause the earth to swallow them up or that a punishment will not come upon them from where they least expect? (16:45)

By Allah, We sent Messengers to communities before your time, but Satan made their actions seem good to them. Therefore today he is their protector. They will have a painful punishment. (16:63)

When those who did wrong see the punishment, it will not be lightened for them. They will be granted no reprieve. (16:85)

As for those who disbelieved and barred access to the way of Allah, We will heap punishment on

top of their punishment because of the corruption they brought about. (16:88)

Do not make your oaths a means of deceiving one another or your foot will slip after it was firmly placed and you will taste evil for barring access to the Way of Allah and you will have a terrible punishment. (16:94)

As for those who do not believe in Allah's Signs, Allah will not guide them and they will have a painful punishment. (16:104)

Those who reject Allah after having believed—except for someone forced to do it whose heart remains at rest in its faith—but as for those whose breasts become dilated with disbelief, anger from Allah will come down on them. They will have a terrible punishment. (16:106)

A Messenger from among them came to them but they denied him. So the punishment seized them and they were wrongdoers. (16:113)

Do not say about what your lying tongues describe: 'This is lawful and this is forbidden,' inventing lies against Allah. Those who invent lies against Allah are not successful—a brief enjoyment, then they will have a painful punishment. (16:116-117)

But as for those who do not believe in the hereafter, We have prepared for them a painful punishment. (17:10)

Those they call on are themselves seeking the means by which they might approach their Lord—even those who are the closest to Him—and are hoping for His mercy and fearing his punishment. The punishment of your Lord is truly something to be feared. (17:57)

There is no city We will not destroy before the Day of Rising, or punish with a terrible punishment. That is inscribed in the Book. (17:58)

Then We would have let you taste a double punishment in life and a double punishment in death. You would not have found any helper against Us. (17:75)

When guidance came to the people nothing prevented them from believing and asking for forgiveness from their Lord but the fact that the pattern of previous peoples did not happen to them or that the punishment did not appear before their eyes. (18:55)

Your Lord is the Ever-Forgiving, the Possessor of Mercy. If He had taken them to task for what they have earned, He would have hastened their punishment. Instead, they have a promised appointment and they will not find any refuge from it. (18:58)

He (Dhu'l-Qarnayn) said, 'As for those who do wrong, we will punish them and then they will be returned to their Lord and He will punish them with a dreadful punishment.' (18:87)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Father, I am afraid that a punishment from the All-Merciful will afflict you, and turn you into a comrade of Satan.' (19:45)

Say: 'As for those who are astray, let the All-Merciful prolong their term until they see what they were promised, whether it be the punishment or the Hour. Then they will know who is in the worse position and has the weaker troops.' (19:75)

No indeed! We will write down what he says and prolong the punishment for him. (19:79)

So do not try to hasten their punishment. We are simply counting out the number of their days. (19:84)

(Allah said to Musa, 'Go to him and say,) "It has been revealed to us that punishment is for him who denies the truth and turns away.'" (20:48)

Musa said to them, 'Woe to you! Do not fabricate lies against Allah or He will annihilate you with His punishment. Fabricators of lies are bound to fail.' (20:61)

Pharaoh said, 'Do you believe in him before I have authorised you? He is your chief, the one who taught you magic. I will cut off your hands and feet alternately and have you crucified on palm trunks. Then you will know for certain which of us has the harsher and longer lasting punishment.' (20:71)

That is how We repay anyone who is profligate and does not believe in the Signs of his Lord. And the punishment of the hereafter is much harsher and longer lasting. (20:127)

If We had destroyed them with a punishment before this, they would have said, 'Our Lord, why did You not send us a Messenger, so we could follow Your Signs before we were humbled and disgraced?' (20:134)

If even a single waft of the punishment were to touch them, they would say, 'Alas for us! We were indeed wrongdoers.' (21:46)

On the day they see it, every nursing woman will be oblivious of the baby at her breast, and every pregnant woman will abort the contents of her womb, and you will think people drunk when they are not drunk; it is just that the punishment of Allah is so severe. (22:2)

It is written of him that if anyone takes him (Satan) as a friend, he will mislead him and guide him to the punishment of the Searing Blaze. (22:4)

Among people there is one who argues about Allah without knowledge or guidance or any light-giving Book, turning away arrogantly, to misguide people from the Way of Allah. He will be disgraced in this world and on the Day of Rising We will make him taste the punishment of the Burning. (22:8-9)

Do you not see that everyone in the heavens and everyone on the earth prostrates to Allah, and the sun and moon and stars and the mountains, trees and beasts and many of mankind? But many of them inevitably merit punishment. Those Allah humiliates will have no one to honour them. Allah does whatever He wills. (22:18)

Every time they want to come out of it, because of their suffering, they will be driven back into it: 'Taste the punishment of the Burning!' (22:22)

Those who disbelieve and bar access to the Way of Allah and to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) which We have appointed for all mankind—equally for those who live near it and those who come from far away—those who desire to profane it with wrongdoing, We will let them taste a painful punishment. (22:25)

They ask you to hasten the punishment. Allah will not break His promise. A day with your Lord is equivalent to a thousand years in the way you count. (22:47)

But those who disbelieve will not cease to be in doubt of it until the Hour comes on them suddenly or the punishment of a desolate Day arrives. (22:55)

But those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs will have a humiliating punishment. (22:57)

But then when We seize the affluent among them with the punishment, they will suddenly start praying fervently. (23:64)

We seized them with the punishment, but they did not go low before their Lord; nor will they humble themselves until We open to them a gate to a harsh punishment in which they will at once be crushed by despair. (23:76-77)

A woman and a man who commit fornication: flog both of them with one hundred lashes and do not let compassion for either of them possess you where Allah's religion is concerned, if you believe in Allah and the Last Day. A number of believers should witness their punishment. (24:2) And the punishment is removed from her if she testifies four times by Allah that he (her husband) is lying. (24:8)

There is a group of you who propagated the lie. Do not suppose it to be bad for you; rather it is good for you. Every one of them will incur the evil he has earned and the one who took it on himself to amplify it will receive a terrible punishment. (24:11)

Were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, both in this world and the hereafter, a terrible punishment would have afflicted you for your plunging headlong into it. (24:14)

People who love to see filth being spread about concerning those who believe will have a painful punishment both in this world and the hereafter. Allah knows and you do not know. (24:19)

Those who accuse chaste believing women, unaware (of the evil), are cursed both in this world and the hereafter, and they will have a terrible punishment. (24:23)

Do not make the Messenger's summoning of you the same as your summoning of one another. Allah knows those of you who sneak away. Those who oppose his command should beware of a testing trial coming to them or a painful punishment striking them. (24:63)

So now they have disowned you for what you said, and they cannot avert it or give you any help. As for anyone among you who has done wrong, We will make him suffer great punishment. (25:19)

And when the people of Nuh denied the

Messengers, We drowned them and made them a Sign for all mankind. We have prepared a painful punishment for the wrongdoers. (25:37) When they see you they only make a mockery of you: 'Is this the one Allah has sent as a Messenger? He might almost have misled us from our gods had we not stuck to them steadfastly!' They will soon know, when they see the punishment, whose way is the most misguided. (25:41-42)

(The servants of the All-Merciful are) those who say, 'Our Lord, avert from us the punishment of Hell, its punishment is inescapable pain.' (25:65) Those who do not call on any other god together with Allah and do not kill anyone Allah has made inviolate, except with the right to do so, and do not fornicate; anyone who does that will receive an evil punishment and on the Day of Rising his punishment will be doubled and he will be humiliated in it timelessly, for ever. (25:68-69)

Say: 'What has My Lord to do with you if you do not call on Him? But you have denied the truth, so punishment is bound to come.' (25:77)

(Hud said to his people,) 'I fear for you the punishment of a terrible Day.' (26:135)

(Salih said,) 'Do not do anything to harm her (the she-camel) or the punishment of a terrible day will come down on you.' (26:156)

But they hamstrung her and woke up full of remorse, for the punishment did come down on them. There is certainly a Sign in that, yet most of them are not believers. (26:157-158)

They denied him and the punishment of the Day of Shadow came down on them. It was indeed the punishment of a terrible Day. (26:189)

They will not believe in it until they see the painful punishment. (26:201)

Do they want to hasten Our punishment? (26:204)

Such people will receive an evil punishment and will be the greatest losers in the hereafter. (27:5)

Is someone whom We have promised good and who then obtains it, the same as someone whom We have given enjoyment in the life of this world and who then, on the Day of Rising, is one of those brought to punishment? (28:61)

They will be told, 'Call on your partner-gods!'

They will call on them but they will not respond to them. They will see the punishment. Oh if only they had been guided! (28:64)

There are some people who say, 'We believe in Allah,' and then, when they suffer harm in Allah's cause, they take people's persecution for Allah's punishment; but if help comes from your Lord they say, 'We were with you.' Does Allah not know best what is in every person's heart? (29:10)

Those who reject Allah's Signs and the meeting with Him, such people can despair of My mercy, such people will have a painful punishment. (29:23)

When Lut said to his people, 'You are committing an obscenity not perpetrated before you by anyone in all the worlds. Do you lie with men and waylay them on the road and commit depravities within your gatherings?' the only answer of his people was to say, 'Bring us Allah's punishment if you are telling the truth.' (29:28-29)

(Our Messengers said to Lut,) 'We will bring down on the inhabitants of this city a devastating punishment from heaven because of their depravity.' (29:34)

They ask you to hasten the punishment. If it were not for a stipulated term, the punishment would have come to them already. It will come upon them suddenly when they are not expecting it. (29:53)

They ask you to hasten the punishment but Hell already encircles the disbelievers. (29:54)

On the Day the punishment envelops them from above them and from underneath their feet, He will say, 'Taste what you were doing!' (29:55)

But as for those who disbelieved and denied Our Signs and the meeting of the hereafter, they will be summoned to the punishment. (30:16)

But there are some people who trade in distracting tales to misguide people from Allah's Way knowing nothing about it and to make a mockery of it. Such people will have a humiliating punishment. (31:6)

When Our Signs are recited to such a person, he turns away arrogantly as if he had not heard, as if there was a great weight in his ears. So give him

news of a painful punishment. (31:7)

When they are told: 'Follow what Allah has sent down,' they say, 'No, we will follow what we found our fathers doing.' What! Even if Satan is calling them to the punishment of the Blazing Fire? (31:21)

We will let them enjoy themselves a little, then drive them to a harsh punishment. (31:24)

(They are told,) 'So taste it. Because you forgot the meeting of this Day, We have forgotten you. Taste the punishment of eternal timelessness for what you did.' (32:14)

But as for those who are deviators, their refuge is the Fire. Every time that they want to get out, they are put straight back into it again and they are told, 'Taste the punishment of the Fire, which you denied.' (32:20)

We will give them a taste of lesser punishment before the greater punishment, so that hopefully they will turn back. (32:21)

(It is) so that He would be able to question the truthful about their truth; and He has prepared a painful punishment for the disbelievers. (33:8)

Wives of the Prophet! If any of you commits an obvious act of indecency she will receive double the punishment. That is an easy matter for Allah. (33:30)

As for those who abuse Allah and His Messenger, Allah's curse is on them in this world and the hereafter. He has prepared a humiliating punishment for them. (33:57)

And they (disbelievers) will say, 'Our Lord, we obeyed our masters and great men and they misguided us from the Way. Our Lord, give them double the punishment and curse them many times over!' (33:67-68)

But those who strive against Our Signs, trying to nullify them, will have a punishment of agonising pain. (34: 5)

Has he invented a lie against Allah or is he possessed? No indeed! Those who do not believe in the hereafter are in punishment and deeply misguided. (34:8)

And We gave Sulayman power over the wind—a month's journey in the morning and a month in the afternoon. And We made a fount of molten brass flow out for him. And some of the jinn

worked in front of him by his Lord's permission. And if a single one of them deviates at all from Our command, We let him taste the punishment of the Searing Blaze. (34:12)

Then when We decreed that he (Sulayman) should die, nothing divulged his death to them except the worm which ate his staff; so that when he fell down it was made clear to the jinn that if they had truly had knowledge of the Unseen they need not have stayed there suffering humiliating punishment. (34:14)

Those deemed weak will say to those deemed great, 'No, it was your scheming night and day when you commanded us to reject Allah and assign equals to Him.' But they will show their remorse when they see the punishment. We will put iron collars round the necks of those who disbelieve. Will they be repaid for anything but what they did? (34:33)

But people who strive against Our Signs, trying to nullify them, such people will be summoned to the punishment. (34:38)

'Today you possess no power to help or harm one another.' And We will say to those who did wrong, 'Taste the punishment of the Fire which you denied.' (34:42)

Say: 'I exhort you to do one thing alone: to stand before Allah in pairs and on your own and then reflect. Your companion is not possessed. He is only a warner come to you ahead of a terrible punishment.' (34:46)

Those who disbelieve will suffer a harsh punishment. But those who believe and do right actions will receive forgiveness and an immense reward. (35:7)

If anyone wants power, all power belongs to Allah. All good words rise to Him and He raises up all virtuous deeds. But people who plot evil deeds will suffer a harsh punishment. The plotting of such people is profitless. (35:10)

Whereas for those who disbelieve there will be the Fire of Hell. They will not be killed off so that they die and its punishment will not be lightened for them. That is how We repay every thankless man. (35:36)

They (the inhabitants of the city) said (to Our Messengers), 'We see an evil omen in you. If you

do not stop we will stone you and you will suffer a painful punishment at our hands.' (36:18)  
They (Satan) cannot eavesdrop on the Highest Assembly and they are stoned from every side, repelled with harshness—they will suffer eternal punishment. (37:8-9)

On that Day they will be partners in the punishment. (37:33)

You will definitely taste the painful punishment and you will only be repaid for what you did—except for Allah's chosen servants. (37:38-40)

Are they trying to hasten Our punishment? (37:176)

(Their leaders went off saying,) 'Has the Reminder been sent down to him out of all of us?' They are in doubt about My Reminder. They have yet to taste My punishment. (38:8)

Each one of them denied the Messengers and so My punishment was justly carried out. (38:14)

(We said), 'Dawud! We have made you a successor on the earth, so judge between people with truth and do not follow your own desires, letting them misguide you from the Way of Allah. Those who are misguided from the Way of Allah will receive a harsh punishment because they forgot the Day of Reckoning.' (38:26)

They will say, 'Our Lord, give him who brought this on us double the punishment in the Fire!' (38:61)

Say: 'I fear, were I to disobey my Lord, the punishment of a Terrible Day.' (39:13)

But as for those against whom the decree of Punishment is justly carried out, can you rescue those who are in the Fire? (39:19)

Those before them also denied the truth and the punishment came upon them from where they did not expect. (39:25)

So Allah made them taste disgrace in the life of this world and the punishment of the hereafter is far worse if they only knew. (39:26)

Say: 'My people, do as you think best; that is what I am doing. You will soon know who will receive a punishment which disgraces him and will unleash against himself an everlasting punishment.' (39:39-40)

If those who did wrong owned everything on earth, and the same again with it, they would

offer it as a ransom to save themselves from the evil of the punishment on the Day of Rising. What confronts them from Allah will be something they did not reckon with. (39:47)

Turn to your Lord and submit to Him before punishment comes upon you, for then you cannot be helped. (39:54)

Follow the best that has been sent down to you from your Lord before the punishment comes upon you suddenly when you are not expecting it; lest anyone should say, 'Alas for me for neglecting what Allah was due, and being one of the scoffers!' or lest they should say, 'If only Allah had guided me, I would have guarded against evil,' or lest he should say, when he sees the punishment, 'If only I could have another chance so that I could be a good-doer!' (39:55-58)

Those who disbelieve will be driven to Hell in companies and when they arrive there and its gates are opened its custodians will say to them, 'Did Messengers from yourselves not come to you, reciting your Lord's Signs to you and warning you of the meeting on this Day of yours?' They will say, 'Indeed they did, but the decree of punishment is justly carried out against the disbelievers.' (39:71)

Those who bear the Throne, and all those around it, glorify their Lord with praise and believe in Him and ask forgiveness for those who believe: 'Our Lord, You encompass everything in mercy and knowledge! Forgive those who turn to You and who follow Your Way and safeguard them from the punishment of the Blazing Fire.' (40:7)

The Fire, morning and night, to which they are exposed; and on the Day the Hour takes place: 'Admit Pharaoh's people to the harshest punishment!' (40:46)

Those in the Fire will say to the custodians of Hell, 'Call on your Lord to make the punishment less for us for just one day.' (40:49)

So We sent a howling wind against them on disastrous ill-fated days to make them taste the punishment of degradation in this world. And the punishment of the hereafter is even more degrading. And they will not be helped. (41:16)

As for Thamud, We guided them, but they preferred blindness to guidance. So the lightning-

bolt of the punishment of humiliation seized them on account of what they earned. (41:17) We will make those who disbelieve suffer a severe punishment and repay them for the worst of what they did. (41:27)

But if We let him taste mercy from Us after he has suffered hardship, then he says, 'This is my due. I do not think that the Hour is going to come. And if am returned to my Lord, I will definitely find the best reward with Him.' But We will inform those who disbelieve of what they did and make them suffer a ruthless punishment. (41:50)

The argument of those who argue about Allah, once He has been acknowledged, has no basis whatsoever with their Lord. There is anger upon them and they will have a harsh punishment. (42:16)

Or do they have partners who have laid down a religion for them for which Allah has not given any authority? Were it not for the prior Word of Decision, the judgement between them would already have been made. The wrongdoers will have a painful punishment. (42:21)

He responds to those who believe and do right actions and gives them increase from His favour. But the disbelievers will have a harsh punishment. (42:26)

There are only grounds against those who wrong people and act as tyrants in the earth without any right to do so. Such people will have a painful punishment. (42:42)

Whoever Allah misguides has no one to protect them after that. You will see the wrongdoers saying, when they see the punishment, 'Is there no way back?' (42:44)

You will see them as they are exposed to it, abject in their abasement, glancing around them furtively. Those who believe will say, 'Truly the losers are those who lose themselves and their families on the Day of Rising.' The wrongdoers are in an everlasting punishment. (42:45)

It will not benefit you today, since you did wrong, that you share equally in the punishment. (43:39)

We showed them no Sign which was not greater than the one before it. We seized them with punishment so that hopefully they would turn back. (43:48)

But when We removed the punishment from them, they immediately broke their word. (43:50)

The various factions among them differed. Woe then to those who did wrong on account of the punishment of a painful Day! (43:65)

The evildoers will remain timelessly, for ever, in the punishment of Hell. (43:74)

So be on the watch for a day when heaven brings forth a distinctive smoke, which enshrouds mankind. 'This is a painful punishment! Our Lord, remove the punishment from us. We are really believers.' (44:10-12)

We remove the punishment a little, and you revert! (44:15)

We rescued the tribe of Israel from the humiliating punishment. (44:30)

(Custodians of Hell will be told,) 'Then pour the punishment of boiling water on his head.' (44:48) They will not taste any death there—except for the first one. He will safeguard them from the punishment of the Blazing Fire. (44:56)

Woe to every wicked liar who hears the Signs of Allah recited to him and then persists in his arrogance just as if he had never heard them. Give him the news of a painful punishment. (45:7-8)

When he does learn something of Our Signs, he makes a mockery of them. Such people will have a humiliating punishment. (45:9)

Hell is right at their heels. Nothing they have earned will be of any use to them, nor will those they took as protectors besides Allah. They will have a terrible punishment. (45:10)

This is guidance. And those who reject the Signs of their Lord will have a punishment of agonising pain. (45:11)

Remember the brother of 'Ad when he warned his people by the sand-dunes—and warners passed away before and after him—'Worship no one but Allah. I fear for you the punishment of a terrible Day.' (46:21)

When they saw it as a storm cloud advancing on their valleys they said, 'This is a storm cloud which will give us rain.' No, rather it is what you desired to hasten—a wind containing painful punishment, destroying everything at its Lord's command! When morning came you could see

nothing but their dwellings. That is how We repay the people of the evildoers. (46:24-25) Our people, respond to Allah's caller and believe in Him. He will forgive you some of your wrong actions – and save you from a painful punishment. (46:31)

On the Day when those who disbelieved are exposed to the Fire, they will be asked, 'Is this not the truth?' They will say, 'Yes, by our Lord.' He will say, 'Then taste the punishment for having disbelieved.' (46:34)

Say to the Arabs who remained behind: 'You will be called up against a people who possess great force whom you must fight unless they submit. If you obey, Allah will give you an excellent reward. But if you turn your backs as you did before, He will punish you with a painful punishment.' (48:16)

There is no constraint on the blind, nor on the lame, nor on the sick. We will admit all who obey Allah and His Messenger into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. But We will punish with a painful punishment anyone who turns his back. (48:17)

They are those who disbelieved and debarred you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and prevented the sacrifice from reaching its proper place, and had it not been for some men and women who are believers, whom you did not know and might trample underfoot, and so unknowingly incur blame on their account–so that Allah might admit into His mercy those He wills–and had those among them who disbelieve been clearly distinguishable, We would have punished them with a painful punishment. (48:25)

(The Custodians of Hell will be told,) 'Hurl into Hell every obdurate disbeliever, impeder of good, doubt-causing aggressor, who set up another god together with Allah. Hurl him into the terrible punishment.' (50:24-26)

And We left a Sign in it for those who fear the painful punishment. (51:37)

Your Lord's punishment will certainly take place. (52:7)

The people who guard against evil will be in Gardens of Delight, savouring what their Lord

has given them. Their Lord will safeguard them from the punishment of the Blazing Fire. (52:17-18)

But Allah was gracious to us and safeguarded us from the punishment of the searing wind. (52:27) And those who do wrong will have a punishment besides that but most of them do not know it. (52:47)

How terrible were My punishment and warnings! (54:16, 54:18, 54:30)

'Ad denied the truth. How terrible were My punishment and warnings! (54:18)

They even wanted to seduce his guests! So We put out their eyes: 'Taste My punishment and warnings!' (54:37)

Early morning brought them enduring punishment: 'Taste My punishment and warnings!' (54:38-39)

That Day the men and women of the hypocrites will say to those who believe, 'Wait for us so that we can borrow some of your light.' They will be told, 'Go back and look for light!' And a wall will be erected between them with a gate in it, on the inside of which there will be mercy but before whose exterior lies the punishment. (57:13)

Know that the life of this world is merely a game and a diversion and ostentation and a cause of boasting among yourselves and trying to outdo one another in wealth and children: like the plant-growth after rain which delights the cultivators, but then it withers and you see it turning yellow, and then it becomes broken stubble. In the hereafter there is terrible punishment but also forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure. The life of this world is nothing but the enjoyment of delusion. (57:20)

Anyone who cannot find the means must fast for two consecutive months before the two of them may touch one another again. And anyone who is unable to do that must feed sixty poor people. That is to affirm your faith in Allah and His Messenger. These are Allah's limits. The disbelievers will have a painful punishment. (58:4)

Those who oppose Allah and His Messenger will be subdued and overcome as those before them were also subdued and overcome. We have sent down Clear Signs. The disbelievers will have a hu-

miliating punishment. (58:5)

Allah has prepared a terrible punishment for them. How evil is what they have been doing! (58:15)  
They made their oaths into a cloak and barred the Way of Allah, so they will have a humiliating punishment. (58:16)

If Allah had not prescribed banishment for them, He would have punished them in this world. But in the hereafter they will have the punishment of the Fire. (59:3)

They are the same as those a short time before them who tasted the evil consequences of what they did. They will have a painful punishment. (59:15)

You who believe! Shall I direct you to a transaction which will save you from a painful punishment? (61:10)

Has the news not reached you of those who disbelieved before and tasted the evil consequences of what they did? They will have a painful punishment. (64:5)

How many cities spurned their Lord's command and His Messengers! And so We called them harshly to account and punished them with a terrible punishment. (65:8)

Allah has prepared a terrible punishment for them. So have fear of Allah, people of intelligence—those who believe—Allah has sent down a reminder to you. (65:10)

We have adorned the lowest heaven with lamps and made some of them stones for the Satans for whom We have prepared the punishment of the Blaze. (67:5)

Those who reject their Lord will have the punishment of Hell. What an evil destination! (67:6)

'You who disbelieve! Do not try to excuse yourselves today. You are merely being repaid for what you did.' (66:7)

Say: 'What do you think? If Allah destroys me and those with me, or if He has mercy on us, who can shelter the disbelievers from a painful punishment?' (67:28)

Such is the punishment. And the punishment of the hereafter is much greater if they only knew. (68:33)

An inquirer asked about an impending punishment. (70:1)

(On the Day) no good friend will ask about his friend even though they can see each other. An evildoer will wish he could ransom himself from the punishment of that Day, by means of his sons, or his wife or his brother or his family who sheltered him or everyone else on earth, if that only meant that he could save himself. (70:10-14)

(Believers are) those who are fearful of the punishment of their Lord (no one is safe from the punishment of his Lord). (70:27-28)

We sent Nuh to his people: 'Warn your people before a painful punishment comes to them.' (71:1)

If only they were to go straight on the Path, We would give them abundant water to drink so that We could test them by it. Whoever turns aside from the remembrance of his Lord, He will introduce him to an arduous punishment. (72:16-17)  
With Us there are shackles and a Blazing Fire and food that chokes and a painful punishment. (73:12-13)

He admits whoever He wills into His mercy. But He has prepared a painful punishment for the wrongdoers. (76:31)

So taste! We will increase you only in punishment. (78:30)

We have warned you of an imminent punishment on the Day when a man will see what he has done, and the disbeliever will say, 'Oh, if only I were dust!' (78:40)

So Allah made an example of him seizing him with punishment in this world and the hereafter. (79:25)

Give them the news of a painful punishment. (84:24)

Those who persecute men and women of the believers, and then do not repent, will have the punishment of Hell, will have the punishment of the Burning. (85:10)

Allah will punish him with the Greatest Punishment. (88:24)

So your Lord unleashed on them a scourging punishment. (89:13)

## PURITY

You who believe! When you get up to perform

prayer, wash your faces and your hands and your arms to the elbows, and wipe over your heads, and (wash) your feet to the ankles. If you are in a state of major impurity, then purify yourselves. But if you are ill or on a journey, or have come from the lavatory, or have touched women, and cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, and wipe your faces and your hands therewith. Allah does not want to make things difficult for you, but He does want to purify you and to perfect His blessing upon you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:6)

And when He overcame you with sleep, making you feel secure, and sent you down water from heaven to purify you and remove the taint of Satan from you, and to fortify your hearts and make your feet firm. (8:11)

Purify your clothes. (74:4)

### **PUS**

And beyond him is Hell where he will be given pus to drink. (14:16)

This! So let them taste it-boiling water and scalding pus. (38:57)

Therefore here today he has no friend nor any food except exuding pus. (69:35-36)

Hell lies in wait—a homecoming for the profligate remaining in it for countless aeons, not tasting any coolness there or any drink, except for boiling water and scalding pus—a fitting recompense. (78:21-26)

### **PUTTING ONE'S TRUST IN ALLAH**

#### **(TAWAKKUL)**

And remember when two of your clans were on the point of losing heart and Allah was their Protector. Let the believers put their trust in Allah. (3:122)

It is a mercy from Allah that you were gentle with them. If you had been rough or hard of heart, they would have scattered from around you. So pardon them and ask forgiveness for them, and consult with them about the matter. Then when you have reached a firm decision, put your trust in Allah. Allah loves those who put their trust in Him. (3:159)

If Allah helps you, no one can vanquish you. If

He forsakes you, who can help you after that? So the believers should put their trust in Allah. (3:160)

They have the word, 'Obedience!' on their tongues but when they leave your presence, a group of them spend the night plotting to do other than what you say. Allah is recording their nocturnal plotting. So let them be and put your trust in Allah. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:81) You who believe! Remember Allah's blessing to you when certain people were on the verge of raising their hands against you and He held their hands back from you. Have fear of Allah. The believers should put their trust in Allah. (5:11)

Two men among those who were afraid, but whom Allah had blessed, said, 'Enter the gate against them! Once you have entered it, you will be victorious. Put your trust in Allah if you are believers.' (5:23)

(Shu'ayb said,) 'We would be inventing lies against Allah if we returned to your religion after Allah has saved us from it. We could never return to it unless Allah our Lord so willed. Our Lord encompasses everything in His knowledge. We have put our trust in Allah. Our Lord, judge between us and our people with truth. You are the best of judges.' (7:89)

The believers are those whose hearts tremble when Allah is mentioned, whose faith is increased when His Signs are recited to them, and who put their trust in their Lord. (8:2)

And when the hypocrites and those with sickness in their hearts said, 'These people have been deluded by their religion.' But those who put their trust in Allah will find Allah to be Almighty, All-Wise. (8:49)

If they incline to peace, you too incline to it, and put your trust in Allah. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing. (8:61)

Say: 'Nothing can happen to us except what Allah has ordained for us. He is Our Master. It is in Allah that the believers should put their trust.' (9:51)

But if they turn away, say, 'Allah is enough for me. There is no god but Him. I have put my trust in Him. He is the Lord of the Mighty Throne.' (9:129)

Recite to them the story of Nuh when he said to his people, 'My people, if my standing here and reminding you of Allah's Signs has become too much for you to bear, know that I have put my trust in Allah. So decide, you and your gods, on what you want to do and be open about it. Do with me whatever you decide and do not keep me waiting.' (10:71)

Musa said, 'My people! If you believe in Allah, then put your trust in Him, if you are Muslims.' (10:84)

They said, 'We have put our trust in Allah. Our Lord, do not make us a target for this wrongdoing people,' (10:85)

(Hud said,) 'I have put my trust in Allah, my Lord and your Lord. There is no creature He does not hold by the forelock. My Lord is on a Straight Path.' (11:56)

He (Shu'ayb) said, 'My people! What do you think? If I do possess a Clear Sign from my Lord and He has given me His good provision, I would clearly not want to go behind your backs and do something I have forbidden you to do. I only want to put things right as far as I can. My success is with Allah alone. I have put my trust in Him and I turn to Him.' (11:88)

The Unseen of the heavens and the earth belongs to Allah and the whole affair will be returned to Him. So worship Him and put your trust in Him. Your Lord is not unaware of what you do. (11:123)

He (Ya'qub) said, 'My sons! You must not enter through a single gate. Go in through different gates. But I cannot save you from Allah at all, for judgement comes from no one but Allah. In Him I put my trust, and let all those who put their trust, put it in Him alone.' (12:67)

In the same way We have sent you among a nation before which other nations passed away, to recite to them what We have revealed to you. Yet they still reject the All-Merciful. Say: 'He is my Lord; there is no god but Him. I put my trust in Him and I turn to Him.' (13:30)

Their Messengers said to them, 'We are nothing but human beings like yourselves. But Allah shows favour to any of His servants He wills. It is not for us to bring you an authority except by

Allah's permission. So let the believers put their trust in Allah. And why indeed should we not put our trust in Allah when He has guided us to our ways? We will be steadfast however much you harm us. Those who trust put their trust in Allah.' (14:11-12)

(Believers are) those who are steadfast and put their trust in their Lord. (16:42)

He (Satan) has no authority over those who believe and put their trust in their Lord. (16:99)

Put your trust in the Living Who does not die and glorify Him with praise. He is well aware of the wrong actions of His servants. (25:58)

Put your trust in the Almighty, the Most Merciful. (26:217)

So put your trust in Allah. You are clearly on a path of truth. (27:79)

(Believers are) those who are steadfast and put their trust in their Lord. (29:59)

And put your trust in Allah. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (33:3)

Do not obey the disbelievers and hypocrites and disregard their abuse of you. Put your trust in Allah. Allah suffices as a Protector. (33:48)

If you ask them, 'Who created the heavens and the earth?' they will say, 'Allah.' Say: 'So what do you think? If Allah desires harm for me, can those you call upon besides Allah remove His harm? Or if He desires mercy for me, can they withhold His mercy?' Say: 'Allah is enough for me. All those who truly trust put their trust in Him.' (39:38)

The judgement concerning anything you differ about is Allah's concern. That is Allah, my Lord—I have put my trust in Him and to Him I turn. (42:10)

Whatever you have been given is only the enjoyment of the life of this world. What is with Allah is better and longer lasting for those who believe and trust in their Lord. (42:36)

You have an excellent example in Ibrahim and those with him, when they said to their people, 'We wash our hands of you and all that you worship apart from Allah, and we reject you. Between us and you there will be enmity and hatred for ever unless and until you believe in Allah alone.' Except for Ibrahim's words to his father: 'I

will ask forgiveness for you but I have no power to help you in any way against Allah.' 'Our Lord, we have put our trust in You and have repented to You. You are our final destination.' (60:4)

Allah—there is no god but Him. So let the believers put their trust in Allah. (64:13)

And (He will) provide for him from where he does not expect. Whoever puts his trust in Allah—He will be enough for him. Allah always achieves His aim. Allah has appointed a measure for all things. (65:3)

Say: 'He is the All-Merciful. We believe in Him and trust in Him. You will soon know who is clearly misguided.' (67:29)

### **PUTTING THINGS RIGHT**

When they (hypocrites) are told, 'Do not cause corruption on the earth,' they say, 'We are only putting things right.' (2:11)

Those who hide the Clear Signs and Guidance We have sent down, after We have made it clear to people in the Book, Allah curses them, and the cursers curse them—except for those who repent and put things right and make things clear. I turn towards them. I am the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful. (2:159-160)

But if someone fears bias or wrongdoing on the part of the person making the will, and puts things right between the people involved, in that case he has not committed any crime. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:182)

Do not, by your oaths, make Allah a pretext to avoid good action and guarding against evil and putting things right between people. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (2:224)

They will be under it for ever. Their punishment will not be lightened. They will be granted no reprieve. Except for those who, after that, repent and put things right. Truly Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (3:88-89)

If you fear a breach between a couple, send an arbiter from his people and an arbiter from her people. If the couple desire to put things right, Allah will bring about a reconciliation between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (4:35)

The hypocrites are in the lowest level of the Fire. You will not find any one to help them, except

those who repent and put things right and hold fast to Allah and dedicate their religion to Allah alone; they are with the believers. Allah will give the believers an immense reward. (4:145-146)

But if anyone repents after his wrongdoing and puts things right, Allah will turn towards him. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:39)

We do not send the Messengers except to bring good news and to give warning. As for those who believe and put things right, they will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (6:48)

When those who believe in Our Signs come to you, say, 'Peace be upon you!' Allah has made mercy incumbent on Himself. If anyone among you does evil out of ignorance and then afterwards repents and puts things right, He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (6:54)

Children of Adam! If Messengers come to you from among yourselves, recounting My Signs to you, those who guard against evil and put things right, will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (7:35)

They will ask you about booty. Say: 'Booty belongs to Allah and the Messenger. So have fear of Allah and put things right between you. Obey Allah and His Messenger if you are believers.' (8:1)

He (Shu'ayb) said, 'My people! What do you think? If I do possess a Clear Sign from my Lord and He has given me His good provision, I would clearly not want to go behind your backs and do something I have forbidden you to do. I only want to put things right as far as I can. My success is with Allah alone. I have put my trust in Him and I turn to Him.' (11:88)

Your Lord would never have destroyed the cities wrongfully as long as their inhabitants were putting things right. (11:117)

But to those who do evil in ignorance and then after that repent and put things right, to them your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (16:119)

But those who make accusations against chaste women and then do not produce four witnesses: flog them with eighty lashes and never again accept them as witnesses. Such people are deviators—except for those who after that repent and

put things right. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:4-5)

(Salih said to his people,) 'Do not obey the orders of the profligate, those who corrupt the earth and do not put things right.' (26:151-152)

The repayment of a bad action is one equivalent to it. But if someone pardons and puts things right, his reward is with Allah. Certainly He does not love wrongdoers. (42:40)

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## **AL-QADR (SEE PRE-ORDAINED DECREE)**

### **QAALU BALAA (THEY SAID: YES)**

When your Lord took out all their descendants from the loins of the children of Adam and made them testify against themselves ‘Am I not your Lord?’ they said, ‘We testify that indeed You are!’ Lest you say on the Day of Rising, ‘We knew nothing of this.’ Or lest you say, ‘Our forefathers associated others with Allah before our time, and we are merely descendants coming after them. So are You going to destroy us for what those purveyors of falsehood did?’ (7:172-173)

### **QARUN**

Qarun was one of the people of Musa but he lorded it over them. We gave him treasures, the keys alone to which were a heavy weight for a party of strong men. When his people said to him, ‘Do not gloat. Allah does not love people who gloat. Seek the abode of the hereafter with what Allah has given you, without forgetting your portion of this world. And do good as Allah has been good to you. And do not seek to cause corruption in the earth. Allah does not love corrupters.’ he said, ‘I have only been given it because of knowledge I have.’ Did he not know that before him Allah had destroyed generations with far greater strength than his and far more possessions? The evildoers will not be questioned about their sins. He went out among his people in his finery. Those who desired the life of this world said, ‘Oh! If only we had the same as Qarun has been given! What immense good fortune he possesses.’ But those who had been given knowledge said, ‘Woe to you! Allah’s reward is better for those who believe and act rightly. But only the steadfast will obtain it.’ We caused the earth to swallow up both him and his house. There was no group to come to his aid, besides Allah, and he was not someone who is helped. Those who had longed to take his place the day before woke up saying, ‘Allah expands the provision of any of His servants He wills or

restricts it. If Allah had not shown great kindness to us, we would have been swallowed up as well. Ah! Truly the disbelievers are not successful.’ That abode of the hereafter—We grant it to those who do not seek to exalt themselves in the earth or to cause corruption in it. The successful outcome is for those who guard against evil. (28:76-83)

And Qarun and Pharaoh and Haman—Musa came with the Clear Signs to them, but they were arrogant on the earth. They could not outstrip Us. (29:39)

We sent Musa with Our Signs and clear authority to Pharaoh, Haman and Qarun. But they said, ‘A lying magician.’ (40:23-24)

### **QIBLAH (SEE THE DIRECTION)**

### **QIYAMAH (SEE THE LAST DAY)**

### **QUAIL**

And We shaded you with clouds and sent down manna and quails to you: ‘Eat of the good things We have provided for you.’ They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they were wronging. (2:57)

We divided them up into twelve tribes—communities. We revealed to Musa, when his people asked him for water: ‘Strike the rock with your staff.’ Twelve fountains flowed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. And We shaded them with clouds and sent down manna and quails to them: ‘Eat of the good things We have provided you with.’ They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they wronged. (7:160)

Tribe of Israel! We rescued you from your enemy and made an appointment with you on the right hand side of the Mount and sent down manna and quails for you. (20:80)

### **QUARREL**

The pilgrimage takes place during certain well-known months. If anyone undertakes the obligation of pilgrimage in them, there must be no sexual intercourse, no wrongdoing, nor any quarrelling during pilgrimage. Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. Take provision; but the

best provision is fear of Allah. So have fear of Me, people of intelligence! (2:197)

He (Musa) entered the city at a time when its inhabitants were unaware and found two men fighting there—one from his party and the other from his enemy. The one from his party asked for his support against the other from his enemy. So Musa hit him, dealing him a fatal blow. He said, 'This is part of Satan's handiwork. He truly is an outright and misleading enemy.' (28:15)

## QUILT

(Believers will be) reclining on green quilts and exquisite rugs. (55:76)

## QUR'AN, THE

The month of Ramadan is the one in which the Qur'an was sent down as guidance for mankind, with Clear Signs containing guidance and discrimination. Any of you who are resident for the month should fast it. But any of you who are ill or on a journey should fast a number of other days. Allah desires ease for you; He does not desire difficulty for you. You should complete the number of days and proclaim Allah's greatness for the guidance He has given you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (2:185)

You who believe! Do not ask about matters which, if they were made known to you, would make things difficult for you. If you do ask about them when the Qur'an is being sent down, they will be made known to you. Allah has ignored them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (5:101)

Say: 'What thing is greatest as a witness?' Say: 'Allah. He is Witness between me and you. This Qur'an has been revealed to me so that I may warn you by it, and anyone else it reaches. Do you then bear witness that there are other gods together with Allah?' Say: 'I do not bear witness.' Say: 'He is only One God, and I am free of all you associate with Him.' (6:19)

When the Qur'an is recited listen to it and be quiet so that hopefully you will gain mercy. (7:20-4)

Allah has bought from the believers their selves and their wealth in return for the Garden. They

fight in the Way of Allah and they kill and are killed. It is a promise binding on Him in the Torah, the Gospel and the Qur'an and who is truer to his contract than Allah? Rejoice then in the bargain you have made. That is the great victory. (9:111)

When Our Clear Signs are recited to them, those who do not expect to meet Us say, 'Bring a Qur'an other than this one or change it.' Say: 'It is not for me to change it of my own accord. I follow nothing except what is revealed to me. I fear, were I to disobey my Lord, the punishment of a Dreadful Day.' (10:15)

This Qur'an could never have been devised by any besides Allah. Rather it is confirmation of what came before it and an elucidation of the Book which contains no doubt from the Lord of all the worlds. (10:37)

You do not engage in any matter or recite any of the Qur'an or do any action without Our witnessing you while you are occupied with it. Not even the smallest speck eludes your Lord, either on earth or in heaven. Nor is there anything smaller than that, or larger, which is not in a Clear Book. (10:61)

We have sent it down as an Arabic Qur'an so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (12:2)

We tell you the best of stories in revealing this Qur'an to you, even though you were unaware of it before it came. (12:3)

Even if there was a Qur'an which moved mountains, or split the earth open or spoke to the dead...! On the contrary! The affair is Allah's altogether. Do those who believe not know that if Allah had wanted to He could have guided all mankind? Those who disbelieve will not cease to be struck by disaster for what they have done—or a disaster will happen close to their homes—until Allah's promise is fulfilled. Allah will not fail to keep His promise. (13:31)

Alif Lam Ra. Those are the Signs of the Book and a clear Qur'an. (15:1)

We have given you the Seven Oft-repeated and the Magnificent Qur'an. (15:87)

Just as We sent down punishment on the dissects, those who divide the Qur'an into little pieces. (15:90-91)

Whenever you recite the Qur'an, seek refuge with Allah from the accursed Satan. (16:98)

This Qur'an guides to the most upright Way and gives good news to the believers who do right actions that they will have a large reward. (17:9)

We have made things clear in this Qur'an so that they might pay heed, but it only makes them run away the more! (17:41)

When you recite the Qur'an, We place an obscuring veil between you and those who do not believe in the hereafter. (17:45)

We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. When you mention your Lord alone in the Qur'an, they turn their backs and run away. (17:46)

When We said to you, 'Surely your Lord encompasses the people with His knowledge.' We only appointed the vision We showed you and the Accursed Tree in the Qur'an as a trial and temptation for the people. We frighten them, but it only increases them in their excessive insolence. (17:60)

We send down in the Qur'an that which is a healing and a mercy to the believers, but it only increases the wrongdoers in loss. (17:82)

Say: 'If both men and jinn banded together to produce the like of this Qur'an, they could never produce anything like it, even if they backed each other up.' (17:88)

We have variegated throughout this Qur'an all kinds of examples for people, but most people spurn anything but disbelief. (17:89)

We have divided up the Qur'an, so you can recite it to mankind at intervals, and We have sent it down little by little. (17:106)

We have variegated throughout this Qur'an all kinds of examples for people, but, more than anything else, man is argumentative! (18:54)

We did not send down the Qur'an to you to make you miserable. (20:2)

In this way We have sent it down as an Arabic Qur'an and We have made various threats in it so that hopefully they will guard against evil or it will spur them into remembrance. (20:113)

High exalted be Allah, the King, the Real! Do not rush ahead with the Qur'an before its revelation

to you is complete, and say: 'My Lord, increase me in knowledge.' (20:114)

The Messenger says, 'My Lord, my people treat this Qur'an as something to be ignored.' (25:30) Those who disbelieve say, 'Why was the Qur'an not sent down to him all in one go?' It is so that We can fortify your heart by it. We have recited it distinctly, little by little. (25:32)

Ta Sin. Those are the Signs of the Qur'an and a Clear Book. (27:1)

You receive the Qur'an directly from One who is All-Wise, All-Knowing. (27:6)

Certainly this Qur'an narrates to the tribe of Israel most of the things about which they differ. (27:76)

'... and (I have been ordered to) to recite the Qur'an.' Whoever is guided is only guided to his own good; if someone is misguided just say, 'I am only a warner.' (27:92)

He Who has imposed the Qur'an upon you will most certainly bring you back home again. Say: 'My Lord knows best who has brought true guidance and who is plainly misguided.' (28:85)

We have made all kinds of examples for people in this Qur'an. If you bring them a Sign those who disbelieve will say, 'You are just purveyors of falsehood!' (30:58)

Those who disbelieve say, 'We will never believe in this Qur'an, nor in what came before it.' If only you could see when the wrongdoers, standing in the presence of their Lord, cast accusations back and forth at one another! Those deemed weak will say to those deemed great, 'Were it not for you, we would have been believers!' (34:31)

(I swear) by the Wise Qur'an. (36:2)

We did not teach him poetry nor would it be right for him. It is simply a reminder and a clear Qur'an. (36:69)

Sâd. (I swear) by the Qur'an holding the Remembrance. (38:1)

We have given all kinds of examples to people in this Qur'an, so that hopefully they will pay heed. (39:27)

(This is) an Arabic Qur'an with no distortion in it, so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (39:28)

A Book whose verses have been demarcated for

people who know as an Arabic Qur'an. (41:3) Those who disbelieve say, 'Do not listen to this Qur'an. Drown it out so that hopefully you will gain the upper hand.' (41:26)

If We had made it a Qur'an in a foreign tongue they would have said, 'Why have its Signs not been made plain? What! A foreign language for an Arab?' Say: 'It is guidance and healing for people who believe. Those who do not believe have heaviness in their ears and for them it is blindness. Such people are being called from a very distant place.' (41:44)

Accordingly We have revealed to you an Arabic Qur'an so that you may warn the Mother of Cities and those around it, and give warning of the Day of Gathering about which there is no doubt: one group in the Garden, the other in the Blazing Fire. (42:7)

We have made it an Arabic Qur'an so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (43:3)

And We diverted a group of jinn towards you to listen to the Qur'an. When they were in earshot of it they said, 'Be quiet and listen.' When it was over they went back to their people, warning them. (46:29)

Will they not then ponder the Qur'an or are there locks upon their hearts? (47:24)

Qaf. (I swear) by the Glorious Qur'an! (50:1)

We know best what they say. You are not a dictator over them. So remind, with the Qur'an, whoever fears My Threat. (50:45)

We have made the Qur'an easy to remember. But is there any rememberer there? (54:17)

The All-Merciful taught the Qur'an. (55:1-2)

It truly is a Noble Qur'an. (56:77)

If We Had sent down this Qur'an onto a mountain, you would have seen it humbled, crushed to pieces out of fear of Allah. We make such examples for people so that hopefully they will reflect. (59:21)

... and recite the Qur'an distinctly. (73:4)

Your Lord knows that you stay up nearly two-thirds of the night—or half of it, or a third of it—and a group of those with you. Allah determines the night and day. He knows you will not keep count of it, so He has turned towards you. Recite as much of the Qur'an as is easy for you. He knows

that some of you are ill and that others are travelling in the land seeking Allah's bounty, and that others are fighting in the Way of Allah. So recite as much of it as is easy for you. And perform prayer and give the alms and lend a generous loan to Allah. Whatever good you send ahead for yourselves you will find it with Allah as something better and as a greater reward. And seek forgiveness from Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (73:20)

Its collection and recitation are Our affair. (75:17)

So when We recite it, follow its recitation. (75:18)

It is We Who have sent the Qur'an down to you little by little. (76:23)

What is the matter with them that they have no faith and, when the Qur'an is recited to them, do not prostrate? (84:20-21)

It is indeed a Glorious Qur'an. (85:21)

## **QURAYSH**

In acknowledgment of the established tradition of Quraysh, their tradition of the winter and summer caravans: so let them worship the Lord of this House Who has preserved them from hunger and secured them from fear. (106:1-4)

# R

## RABBI

We sent down the Torah containing guidance and light, and the Prophets who had submitted themselves gave judgement by it for the Jews—as did their scholars and their rabbis—by what they had been allowed to preserve of Allah's Book to which they were witnesses. Do not be afraid of people, be afraid of Me. And do not sell My Signs for a paltry price. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are disbelievers. (5:44)

Why do their scholars and rabbis not prohibit them from evil speech and acquiring ill-gotten gains? What an evil thing they invent! (5:63)

They have taken their rabbis and monks as lords besides Allah, and also the Messiah, son of Maryam. Yet they were commanded to worship only one God. There is no god but Him! Glory be to Him above anything they associate with Him! (9:31)

You who believe! Many of the rabbis and monks devour people's property under false pretences and bar people from access to the Way of Allah. As for those who hoard up gold and silver and do not spend it in the Way of Allah, give them the news of a painful punishment (9:34)

## RACE

Each person faces a particular direction so race each other to the good. Wherever you are, Allah will bring you all together. Truly Allah has power over all things. (2:148)

Race each other to forgiveness from your Lord and a Garden as wide as the heavens and the earth, prepared for the people who guard against evil. (3:133)

That night they (Yusuf's brothers) came back to their father in tears, saying, 'Father, we went out to run a race and left Yusuf together with our things and then a wolf appeared and ate him up but you are never going to believe us now, not even though we really tell the truth.' (12:16-17) They raced to the door. She tore his (Yusuf's) shirt at the back. They met her husband by the door. She said, 'How should a man whose intention

was to harm your family be punished for what he did except with prison or painful punishment?' (12:25)

Such people are truly racing towards good things, and they are the first to reach them. (23:61)

If We wished, We could put out their eyes. Then, though they might race for the path, how would they see? (36:66)

## RAGE

Those who give in times of both ease and hardship, those who control their rage and pardon other people—Allah loves the good-doers. (3:134) He will remove the rage from their hearts. Allah turns to anyone He wills. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:15)

Anyone who thinks that Allah will not help him in this world and the hereafter should stretch a rope up to the ceiling and then cut (it) off. Let him see whether his stratagem gets rid of what enrages him! (22:15)

Allah sent back those who disbelieved in their rage without their achieving any good at all. Allah made it unnecessary for the believers to fight. Allah is Most Strong, Almighty. (33:25)

Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and those who are with him are fierce to the disbelievers, merciful to one another. You see them bowing and prostrating, seeking Allah's good favour and His pleasure. Their mark is on their faces, the traces of prostration. That is their likeness in the Torah. And their likeness in the Gospel is that of a seed which puts up a shoot and makes it strong so that it thickens and grows up straight upon its stalk, filling the sowers with delight—so that by them He may infuriate the disbelievers. Allah has promised those of them who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (48:29)

There you are, loving them when they do not love you, even though you believe in all the Books. When they meet you, they say, 'We believe.' But when they leave they bite their fingers out of rage against you. Say, 'Die in your rage.' Allah knows what your hearts contain. (3:119)

It was not for people of Madina, and the desert

arabs around them, to remain behind the Messenger of Allah nor to prefer themselves to him. That is because no thirst or weariness or hunger will afflict them in the Way of Allah, nor will they take a single step to infuriate the disbelievers, nor secure any gain from the enemy, without a right action being written down for them because of it. Allah does not let the wage of the good-doers go to waste. (9:120)

When one of them is given the good news of a baby girl, his face darkens and he is furious. (16:58)

Those who disbelieve filled their hearts with fanatical rage—the fanatical rage of the Time of Ignorance—and Allah sent down serenity to His Messenger and to the believers, and bound them to the expression of heedfulness which they had most right to and were most entitled to. Allah has knowledge of all things. (48:26)

It all but bursts with rage. Each time a group is flung into it its custodians will question them: 'Did no warner come to you?' (67:8)

## RAIN

It is He Who made the earth a couch for you, and the sky a dome. He sends down water from the sky and by it brings forth fruits for your provision. Do not, then, knowingly make others equal to Allah. (2:22)

You who believe! Do not nullify your charity by demands for gratitude or insulting words, like him who spends his wealth, showing off to people and not believing in Allah and the Last Day. His likeness is that of a smooth rock coated with soil, which, when heavy rain falls on it, is left stripped bare. They have no power over anything they have earned. Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (2:264)

The metaphor of those who spend their wealth, desiring the pleasure of Allah and firmness for themselves, is that of a garden on a hillside. When heavy rain falls on it, it doubles its produce; and if heavy rain does not fall, there is dew. Allah sees what you do. (2:265)

When you are with them and leading them in prayer, a group of them should stand with you, keeping hold of their weapons. When they pros-

trate, the others should guard your backs. Then the other group who have not yet prayed should come and pray with you. They too should be careful and keep hold of their weapons. Those who disbelieve would like you to be negligent of your arms and equipment so that they can swoop down on you once and for all. There is nothing wrong, if you are bothered by rain or you are ill, in laying your weapons down; but take every precaution. Allah has prepared a humiliating punishment for the disbelievers. (4:102)

Have they not seen how many generations We destroyed before them which We had established on the earth far more firmly than We have established you? We sent down heaven upon them in abundant rain and made rivers flow under them. But We destroyed them for their wrong actions and raised up further generations after them. (6:6)

(Yusuf said,) 'Then after that another year will come in which the people will be helped by rain in plenty and when they once more will press.' (12:49)

Do you not see that Allah propels the clouds then makes them coalesce then heaps them up, and then you see the rain come pouring out of the middle of them? And He sends down mountains from the sky with hail inside them, striking with it anyone He wills and averting it from anyone He wills. The brightness of His lightning almost blinds the sight. (24:43)

They themselves have come across the city which was rained on by an evil rain. Did they not then see it? But they do not expect to rise again. (25:40)

Then We utterly destroyed the rest and made a Rain come pouring down upon them. How evil is the rain of those who are warned! (26:172-173)

We rained down a rain upon them. How evil is the rain of those who are warned! (27:58)

It is Allah Who sends the winds which stir up clouds which He spreads about the sky however He wills. He forms them into dark clumps and you see the rain come pouring out from the middle of them. When He makes it fall on those of His servants He wills, they rejoice. (30:48)

Truly Allah has knowledge of the Hour and sends down abundant rain and knows what is in the womb. And no self knows what it will earn tomorrow and no self knows in what land it will die. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (31:34)

It is He Who sends down abundant rain, after they have lost all hope, and unfolds His mercy. He is the Protector, the Praiseworthy. (42:28) When they saw it as a storm cloud advancing on their valleys they said, 'This is a storm cloud which will give us rain.' No, rather it is what you desired to hasten—a wind containing painful punishment. (46:24)

Know that the life of this world is merely a game and a diversion and ostentation and a cause of boasting among yourselves and trying to outdo one another in wealth and children: like the plant-growth after rain which delights the cultivators, but then it withers and you see it turning yellow, and then it becomes broken stubble. In the hereafter there is terrible punishment but also forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure. The life of this world is nothing but the enjoyment of delusion. (57:20)

He will send heaven down on you in abundant rain. (71:11)

## **RAMADAN**

The month of Ramadan is the one in which the Qur'an was sent down as guidance for mankind, with Clear Signs containing guidance and discrimination. Any of you who are resident for the month should fast it. But any of you who are ill or on a journey should fast a number of other days. Allah desires ease for you; He does not desire difficulty for you. You should complete the number of days and proclaim Allah's greatness for the guidance He has given you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (2:185)

## **RAMPART**

There will be a dividing wall between them and on the ramparts there will be men who recognise everyone by their mark. They will call out to the people of the Garden: 'Peace be upon you!' They will not enter it for all their ardent desire to do so. (7:46)

The Companions of the Ramparts will call out to men they recognise by their mark, saying, 'What you amassed was of no use to you, nor was your arrogance. (7:48)

## **RANSOM**

Have fear of a Day when no self will be able to compensate for another in any way. No intercession will be accepted from it, no ransom taken from it, and they will not be helped. (2:48)

Then you are the people who are killing one another and expelling a group among you from their homes, ganging up against them in wrongdoing and enmity. Yet if they are brought to you as captives, you ransom them, when it was forbidden for you to expel them in the first place! Do you, then, believe in one part of the Book and reject the other? What repayment will there be for any of you who do that except disgrace in this world? And on the Day of Rising, they will be returned to the harshest of punishments. Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:85)

Have fear of a Day when no self will be able to compensate for another in any way, and no ransom will be accepted from it, and no intercession benefit it, and they will not be helped. (2:123)

Divorce can be pronounced two times; in which case wives may be retained with correctness and courtesy or released with good will. It is not lawful for you to keep anything you have given them unless a couple fear that they will not remain within Allah's limits. If you fear that they will not remain within Allah's limits, there is nothing wrong in the wife ransoming herself with some of what she received. These are Allah's limits, so do not overstep them. Those who overstep Allah's limits are wrongdoers. (2:229)

As for those who disbelieve and die while they are disbelievers, the whole earth filled with gold would not be accepted from any of them if they were to offer it as a ransom. They will have a painful punishment. They will have no helpers. (3:91)

As for those who disbelieve, if they had everything on the earth and the same again with it to ransom themselves from the punishment of the Day of Rising, it would not be accepted from

them. They will have a painful punishment. (5:36)

If every self that did wrong possessed everything on earth, it would offer it as a ransom. They will show remorse when they see the punishment. Everything will be decided between them justly. They will not be wronged. (10:54)

Those who respond to their Lord will receive the best. But as for those who do not respond to Him, even if they owned everything on the earth and the same again with it, they would offer it as a ransom. They will receive an evil Reckoning. Their shelter will be Hell. What an evil resting-place! (13:18)

We ransomed him (Ibrahim) with a mighty sacrifice. (37:107)

If those who did wrong owned everything on earth, and the same again with it, they would offer it as a ransom to save themselves from the evil of the punishment on the Day of Rising. What confronts them from Allah will be something they did not reckon with. (39:47)

Therefore when you meet those who disbelieve strike their necks. Then when you have decimated them, tie their bonds tightly and set them free or ransom them, until the war is finally over. That is how it is to be. If Allah willed, He could avenge Himself on them. But it is so that He can test some of you by means of others. As for those who fight in the Way of Allah, He will not let their actions go astray. (47:4)

So today no ransom will be accepted from you or from those who disbelieved. Your refuge is the Fire. It is your master. What an evil destination! (57:15)

(On that Day) no good friend will ask about his friend even though they can see each other. An evildoer will wish he could ransom himself from the punishment of that Day, by means of his sons, or his wife or his brother or his family who sheltered him or everyone else on earth, if that only meant that he could save himself. (70:10-14)

## RASUL (SEE MESSENGER)

## RECOMPENSATION

Muhammad is only a Messenger and he has been

preceded by other Messengers. If he were to die or be killed, would you turn on your heels? Those who turn on their heels do not harm Allah in any way. Allah will recompense the thankful. (3:144)

No self can die except with Allah's permission, at a predetermined time. If anyone desires the reward of this world, We will give him some of it. If anyone desires the reward of the hereafter, We will give him some of it. We will recompense the thankful. (3:145)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, each of whom We guided. And before him We had guided Nuh. And among his descendants were Dawud and Sulayman, and Ayyub, Yusuf, Musa and Harun. That is how We recompense the good-doers. (6:84)

Say: 'Is that better, or the Garden of Eternal Life which has been promised to those who guard against evil? That is their recompense and destination.' (25:15)

And when he reached his full strength and maturity, We gave him judgement and knowledge. That is how We recompense good-doers. (28:14) So that Allah might recompense the truthful for their truth and punish the hypocrites, if He wills, or turn towards them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:24)

This is so that He may recompense those who believe and do right actions. They will have forgiveness and generous provision. (34:4)

It is not your wealth or your children that will bring you near to Us—only in the case of people who believe and act rightly; such people will have a double recompense for what they did. They will be safe from all harm in the High Halls of Paradise. (34:37)

That is how we recompense the good-doers. (37:80)

We called out to him, 'Ibrahim! You have discharged your vision.' That is how We recompense good-doers. (37:104-105)

That is how We recompense good-doers. (37:110)

That is how We recompense good-doers. (37:121,131)

They will have anything they wish for with their

Lord. That is the recompense of the good-doers. (39:34)

It was a blessing direct from Our presence. That is how We recompense those who give thanks. (54:35)

Gardens and grape vines, and nubile maidens of similar age, and an overflowing cup, where they will hear no prattle and no denial, a recompense from your Lord, a commensurate gift. (78:32-36)

## RECONCILIATION

Divorced women should wait by themselves for three menstrual cycles; and it is not lawful for them to conceal what Allah has created in their wombs if they believe in Allah and the Last Day. Their husbands have the right to take them back within that time, if they desire to be reconciled. Women possess rights similar to those held over them to be honoured with fairness; but men have a degree above them. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:228)

If you fear a breach between a couple, send an arbiter from his people and an arbiter from her people. If the couple desire to put things right, Allah will bring about a reconciliation between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (4:35)

How will it be when a disaster strikes them because of what they have done, and then they come to you swearing by Allah: 'We desired nothing but good and reconciliation'? (4:62)

If a woman fears cruelty or aversion on her husband's part, there is nothing wrong in the couple becoming reconciled. Reconciliation is better. But people are prone to selfish greed. If you do good and guard against evil, Allah is aware of what you do. (4:128)

The alms are for: the poor, the destitute, those who collect it, reconciling people's hearts, freeing slaves, those in debt, spending in the Way of Allah, and travellers. It is a legal obligation from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:60)

## RECORDING ANGELS

And the two recording angels are recording, sitting on the right and on the left. (50:17)

Standing over you are guardians, noble, recording, who know what you do. (82:10-12)

## REFLECT (TAFAKKUR)

They will ask you about alcoholic drinks and gambling. Say, 'There is great wrong in both of them and also certain benefits for mankind. But the wrong in them is greater than the benefit.' They will ask you what they should give away. Say, 'Whatever is surplus to your needs.' In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect. (2:219)

Would any of you like to have a garden of dates and grapes, with rivers flowing underneath and containing all kinds of fruits, then to be stricken with old age and have children who are weak, and then for a fierce whirlwind containing fire to come and strike it so that it goes up in flames? In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect. (2:266)

(People with intelligence are) those who remember Allah, standing, sitting and lying on their sides, and reflect on the creation of the heavens and the earth: 'Our Lord, You have not created this for nothing. Glory be to You! So safeguard us from the punishment of the Fire.' (3:191)

Say: 'I do not say to you that I possess the treasures of Allah, nor do I know the Unseen, nor do I say to you that I am an angel. I only follow what has been revealed to me.' Say: 'Are the blind the same as those who can see? So will you not reflect?' (6:50)

If We had wanted to, We would have raised him up by them. But he gravitated towards the earth and pursued his whims and base desires. His metaphor is that of a dog: if you chase it away, it lolls out its tongue and pants, and if you leave it alone, it lolls out its tongue and pants. That is the metaphor of those who deny Our Signs. So tell the story so that hopefully they will reflect. (7:176)

Have they not reflected? Their companion is not mad. He is only a clear warner. (7:184)

The metaphor of the life of this world is that of water which We send down from the sky, and which then mingles with the plants of the earth to provide food for both people and animals. Then, when the earth is at its loveliest and takes on its fairest guise and its people think they have it under their control, Our command comes upon

it by night or day and We reduce it to dried-out stubble, as though it had not been flourishing just the day before! In this way We make Our Signs clear for people who reflect. (10:24)

It is He Who stretched out the earth and placed firmly embedded mountains and rivers in it and made two types of every kind of fruit. He covers over day with night. There are Signs in that for people who reflect. (13:3)

And by it He makes crops grow for you and olives and dates and grapes and fruit of every kind. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who reflect. (16:11)

We have only ever sent before you men who were given Revelation—ask the People of the Reminder if you do not know—who brought Clear Signs and Revealed Books. And We have sent down the Reminder to you so that you can make clear to mankind what has been sent down to them so that hopefully they will reflect. (16:43-44)

(Your Lord revealed to the bees:) ‘Then eat from every kind of fruit and travel the paths of your Lord, which have been made easy for you to follow.’ From inside them comes a drink of varying colours, containing healing for mankind. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who reflect. (16:69)

Have they not reflected within themselves? Allah did not create the heavens and the earth and everything between them except with truth and for a fixed term. Yet many people reject the meeting with their Lord. (30:8)

Among His Signs is that He created spouses for you of your own kind so that you might find tranquillity in them. And He has placed affection and compassion between you. There are certainly Signs in that for people who reflect. (30:21)

Say: ‘I exhort you to do one thing alone: to stand before Allah in pairs and on your own and then reflect. Your companion is not possessed. He is only a warner come to you ahead of a terrible punishment.’ (34:46)

Allah takes back people’s selves when their death arrives and those who have not yet died, while they are asleep. He keeps hold of those whose death has been decreed and sends the

others back for a specified term. There are certainly Signs in that for people who reflect. (39:42) And He has made everything in the heavens and everything on the earth subservient to you. It is all from Him. There are certainly Signs in that for people who reflect. (45:13)

If We Had sent down this Qur'an onto a mountain, you would have seen it humbled, crushed to pieces out of fear of Allah. We make such examples for people so that hopefully they will reflect. (59:21)

## REGION

In the earth there are diverse regions side by side and gardens of grapes and cultivated fields, and palm-trees sharing one root and others with individual roots, all watered with the same water. And We make some things better to eat than others. There are Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (13:4)

## REGRET

Yet you see those with sickness in their hearts rushing to them, saying, ‘We fear the wheel of fate may turn against us.’ But it may well be that Allah will bring about victory or some other contingency from Him. Then they will deeply regret their secret thoughts. (5:52)

Those who disbelieve spend their wealth barring access to the Way of Allah. They will spend it; then they will regret it; then they will be overthrown. Those who disbelieve will be gathered into Hell. (8:36)

He said, ‘In a short while they will be full of regret.’ (23:40)

You who believe! If a deviator brings you a report, scrutinize it carefully in case you attack people in ignorance and so come to greatly regret what you have done. (49:6)

## REJOICE

Do not suppose that those killed in the Way of Allah are dead. No indeed! They are alive and well provided for in the very presence of their Lord, delighting in the favour Allah has bestowed on them, rejoicing over those they left behind who have not yet joined them, feeling no fear

and knowing no sorrow. (3:169-170)  
If good happens to you it galls them. If a mishap occurs to you, they say, 'We made our preparations in advance,' and they turn away rejoicing. (9:50)

Each time a sura is sent down there are some among them who say, 'Which of you has this increased in faith?' As for those who believe, it increases them in faith and they rejoice at it. (9:124)  
Allah expands provision to anyone He wills and restricts it. They rejoice in the life of this world. Yet the life of this world, compared to the hereafter, is only fleeting enjoyment. (13:26)

Those to whom We gave the Book rejoice at what has been sent down to you but some of the parties refuse to acknowledge part of it. Say: 'I have only been ordered to worship Allah and not to associate anything with Him. I summon to Him and to Him I will return.' (13:36)

The Romans have been defeated in the land nearby, but after their defeat they will themselves be victorious in a few years' time. The affair is Allah's from beginning to end. On that day, the believers will rejoice in Allah's help. He grants victory to whoever He wills. He is the Almighty, the Most Merciful. (30:2-5)

When We give people a taste of mercy, they rejoice in it, but when something bad happens to them because of what they themselves have done, they immediately lose all hope. (30:36)

It is Allah Who sends the winds which stir up clouds which He spreads about the sky however He wills. He forms them into dark clumps and you see the rain come pouring out from the middle of them. When He makes it fall on those of His servants He wills, they rejoice, even though before He sent it down on them they were in despair. (30:48-49)

The angels descend on those who say, 'Our Lord is Allah,' and then go straight: 'Do not fear and do not grieve but rejoice in the Garden you have been promised. (41:30)

That Day some faces will be radiant, laughing, rejoicing. (80:38-39)

## **RELATIVE**

Remember when We made a covenant with the

tribe of Israel: 'Worship none but Allah and be good to your parents and to relatives and orphans and the very poor. And speak good words to people. And perform prayer and give the alms.' But then you turned away—except a few of you—you turned aside. (2:83)

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

It is prescribed for you, when death approaches one of you and if he has some goods to leave, to make a will in favour of his parents and relatives, correctly and fairly: a duty for all those who guard against evil. (2:180)

They will ask you what they should give away. Say, 'Any wealth you give away should go to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor and travellers.' Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. (2:215)

Men receive a share of what their parents and relatives leave and women receive a share of what their parents and relatives leave, a fixed share, no matter whether it is a little or a lot. (4:7)  
If other relatives or orphans or poor people attend the sharing-out, provide for them out of it and speak to them correctly and courteously. (4:8)

Allah instructs you regarding your children: A male receives the same as the share of two females. If there are more than two daughters they receive two-thirds of what you leave. If she is one on her own she receives a half. Each of your parents receives a sixth of what you leave if you have children. If you are childless and your heirs are your parents your mother receives a third. If you have brothers or sisters your mother receives a sixth, after any bequest you make or any debts.

With regard to your fathers and your sons, you do not know which of them is going to benefit you more. These are obligatory shares from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:11)

We have appointed heirs for everything that parents and relatives leave. If you have a bond with people, give them their share. Allah is a witness of all things. (4:33)

Worship Allah and do not associate anything with Him. Be good to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to neighbours who are related to you and neighbours who are not related to you, and to companions and travellers and your slaves. Allah does not love anyone vain or boastful. (4:36)

You who believe! Be upholders of justice, bearing witness for Allah alone, even against yourselves or your parents and relatives. Whether they are rich or poor, Allah is well able to look after them. Do not follow your own desires and deviate from the truth. If you twist or turn away, Allah is aware of what you do. (4:135)

You who believe! When one of you is near to death and makes a will, two just men from among you should act as witnesses; or, if you are travelling when the misfortune of death occurs, two men who are strangers to you. You should detain them after prayer and, if you are doubtful, they should swear by Allah: 'We will not sell it for any price, even to a near relative, and we will not conceal the testimony of Allah. If we did we would indeed be wrongdoers.' (5:106)

Say: 'Come and I will recite to you what your Lord has made forbidden for you': that you do not associate anything with Him; that you are good to your parents; that you do not kill your children because of poverty—We will provide for you and them; that you do not approach indecency—outward or inward; that you do not kill any person Allah has made inviolate—except with the right to do so. That is what He instructs you to do so that hopefully you will use your intellect. And that you do not go near the property of orphans before they reach maturity—except in a good way; that you give full measure and full weight with justice—We impose on no self any more than it can bear; that you are equitable

when you speak—even if a near relative is concerned; and that you fulfil Allah's contract. That is what He instructs you to do, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (6:151-152)

Know that when you take any booty a fifth of it belongs to Allah, and to the Messenger, and to close relatives, orphans, the very poor and travellers, if you believe in Allah and in what We sent down to Our servant on the Day of Discrimination, the day the two groups met—Allah has power over all things. (8:41)

Those who believe and migrate later on and accompany you in striving, they also are of your number. But blood relations are closer to one another in the Book of Allah. Allah has knowledge of all things. (8:75)

It is not right for the Prophet and those who believe to ask forgiveness for the idolaters—even if they are close relatives—after it has become clear to them that they are the Companions of the Blazing Fire. (9:113)

We sent Messengers before you and gave them wives and children. Nor was any Messenger able to bring a Sign except by Allah's permission. There is a prescribed limit to every term. (13:38) Allah commands justice and doing good and giving to relatives. And He forbids indecency and doing wrong and tyranny. He warns you so that hopefully you will pay heed. (16:90)

Your Lord has decreed that you should worship none but Him, and that you should show kindness to your parents. Whether one or both of them reach old age with you, do not say 'Ugh!' to them out of irritation and do not be harsh with them but speak to them with gentleness and generosity. Take them under your wing, out of mercy, with due humility and say: 'Lord, show mercy to them as they did in looking after me when I was small.' Your Lord knows best what is in your selves. If you are righteous, He is Ever-Forgiving to the remorseful. Give your relatives their due, and the very poor and travellers but do not squander what you have. (17:23 - 26)

(Zakariyya said,) 'My Lord, I fear my relatives when I am gone and my wife is barren, so give me an heir from You.' (19:5)

Those of you possessing affluence and ample

wealth should not make oaths that they will not give to their relatives and the very poor and those who have migrated in the way of Allah. They should rather pardon and overlook. Would you not love Allah to forgive you? Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:22)

Warn your near relatives. (26:214)

When Our Messengers came to Lut, he was distressed on their account, feeling incapable of protecting them. They said, 'Do not fear and do not grieve. We are going to rescue you and your family—except for your wife; she will be one of those who stay behind.' (29:33)

Give relatives their due, and the poor and travellers. That is best for those who seek the pleasure of Allah. They are the ones who are successful. (30:38)

The Prophet is closer to the believers than their own selves, and his wives are their mothers. But blood-relations have closer ties to one another in the Book of Allah than the believers and the emigrants, except that you should act in a proper manner towards your close associates. That is inscribed in the Book. (33:6)

Whatever booty Allah gives to His Messenger from city dwellers belongs to Allah and to the Messenger and to near relatives and orphans and the very poor and travellers, so that it does not become something which merely revolves between the rich among you. Whatever the Messenger gives you you should accept and whatever he forbids you you should forgo. Have fear of Allah—Allah is severe in retribution. (59:7) Neither your blood relations nor your children will be of any use to you. On the Day of Rising He will differentiate between you. Allah sees what you do. (60:3)

You who believe! Some of your wives and children are an enemy to you, so be wary of them. But if you pardon and exonerate and forgive, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (64:14)

Your wealth and children are a trial. But with Allah there is an immense reward. (64:15)

It (the steep ascent) is freeing a slave or feeding on a day of hunger an orphaned relative. (90:13-15)

## RELATIVITY OF TIME

The angels and the Spirit ascend to Him in a day whose length is fifty thousand years. (70:4)

He directs the whole affair from heaven to earth. Then it will again ascend to Him on a Day whose length is a thousand years by the way you measure. (32:5)

They ask you to hasten the punishment. Allah will not break His promise. A day with your Lord is equivalent to a thousand years in the way you count. (22:47)

## RELIGION (DEEN)

The Jews and the Christians will never be pleased with you until you follow their religion. Say, 'Allah's guidance is the true guidance.' If you were to follow their whims and desires, after the knowledge that has come to you, you would find no protector or helper against Allah. (2:120)

Who would deliberately renounce the religion of Ibrahim except someone who reveals himself to be a fool? We chose him in this world and in the hereafter he will be one of the righteous. (2:130)

They say, 'Be Jews or Christians and you will be guided.' Say, 'Rather adopt the religion of Ibrahim, a man of natural pure belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (2:135)

There is no compulsion where the religion is concerned. Right guidance has become clearly distinct from error. Anyone who rejects false gods and believes in Allah has grasped the Firmest Handhold, which will never give way. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (2:256)

The religion with Allah is Islam. Those given the Book only differed after knowledge had come to them, envying one another. As for those who reject Allah's Signs, Allah is swift at reckoning. (3:19)

Is it other than the religion of Allah that you desire, when everything in the heavens and earth, willingly or unwillingly, submits to Him and to Him you will be returned? (3:83)

If anyone desires anything other than Islam as a religion, it will not be accepted from him, and in the hereafter he will be among the losers. (3:85)

Say, 'Allah speaks the truth, so follow the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief. He was

not one of the idolaters.' (3:95)

Some of the Jews distort the true meaning of words, saying, 'We hear and disobey,' and 'Listen without listening,' and 'Listen to us!' twisting them with their tongues, disparaging the religion. If they had said, 'We hear and we obey,' and 'Listen,' and, 'Look at us!' that would have been better for them and more upright. But Allah has cursed them for their disbelief. Very few of them believe. (4:46)

Who could have a better religion than someone who submits himself completely to Allah and is a good-doer, and follows the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief? Allah took Ibrahim as an intimate friend. (4:125)

People of the Book! Do not go to excess in your religion. Say nothing but the truth about Allah. The Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, was only the Messenger of Allah and His Word, which He cast into Maryam, and a Spirit from Him. So believe in Allah and His Messengers. Do not say, 'Three.' It is better that you stop. Allah is only One God. He is too Glorious to have a son! Everything in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Him. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:171)

Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and animals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviance. Today those who disbelieve have despised of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3)

You who believe! If any of you renounce your religion, Allah will bring forward a people whom He loves and who love Him, humble to the believers, fierce to the disbelievers, who strive in

the Way of Allah and do not fear the blame of any censurer. That is the unbounded favour of Allah which He gives to whoever He wills. Allah is Boundless, All-Knowing. (5:54)

You who believe! Do not take as friends any of those who make a mockery and a game out of your religion among the ones who were given the Book before you or the disbelievers. Have fear of Allah if you are believers. (5:57)

Abandon those who have turned their religion into a game and a diversion and who have been deluded by the life of this world. Remind by it lest a person is delivered up to destruction for what he has earned with no protector or intercessor besides Allah. Were he to offer every kind of compensation, it would not be accepted from him. Such people are delivered up to destruction for what they have earned. They will have scalding water to drink and a painful punishment because they disbelieved. (6:70)

Say: 'My Lord has guided me to a straight path, a well-founded religion, the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (6:161)

In the same way their idols have made killing their children appear good to many of the idolaters, in order to destroy them and confuse them in their religion. If Allah had willed, they would not have done it; so abandon them and what they fabricate. (6:137)

As for those who divide up their religion and form into sects, you have nothing whatsoever to do with them. Their affair will go back to Allah and then He will inform them about what they did. (6:159)

(Believers will say, 'Disbelievers are) those who took their religion as a diversion and a game, and were deluded by the life of this world.' Today We will forget them just as they forgot the encounter of this Day and denied Our Signs. (7:51)

The ruling circle of those of his people who were arrogant said, 'We will drive you out of our city, Shu'ayb, you and those who believe along with you, unless you return to our religion.' He said, 'What, even though we detest it? We would be inventing lies against Allah if we returned to your religion after Allah has saved us from it. We

could never return to it unless Allah our Lord so willed. Our Lord encompasses everything in His knowledge. We have put our trust in Allah. Our Lord, judge between us and our people with truth. You are the best of judges.' (7:88-89)

Fight them until there is no more discord and the religion is Allah's alone. If they stop, Allah sees what they do. (8:39)

And when the hypocrites and those with sickness in their hearts said, 'These people have been deluded by their religion.' But those who put their trust in Allah will find Allah to be Almighty, All-Wise. (8:49)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah, and those who have given refuge and help, they are the friends and protectors of one another. But as for those who believe but have not migrated, you are not in any way responsible for their protection until they migrate. But if they ask you for help in respect of the religion, it is your duty to help them, except against people you have a treaty with. Allah sees what you do. (8:72)

But if they repent and perform prayer and give the alms, they are your brothers in the religion. We make the Signs clear for people who have knowledge. (9:11)

If they break their oaths after making their treaty and defame your religion, then fight the leaders of disbelief—they have no binding oaths—so that hopefully they will stop. (9:12)

Fight those of the people who were given the Book who do not believe in Allah and the Last Day and who do not make forbidden what Allah and His Messenger have made forbidden and do not take as their religion the religion of Truth, until they pay the poll tax with their own hands in a state of complete abasement. (9:29)

It is He Who sent His Messenger with guidance and the Religion of Truth to exalt it over every other religion, even though the idolaters detest it. (9:33)

There have been twelve months with Allah in the Book of Allah, from the day He first created the heavens and earth. Four of them are forbidden. That is the True Religion. So do not wrong one

another during them. However, fight the idolaters totally just as they fight you totally, and know that Allah is with those who guard against evil. (9:36)

It is not necessary for the believers to go out all together. If a party from each group of them were to go out so they could increase their knowledge of the religion they would be able to notify their people when they returned to them so that hopefully they would take warning! (9:122)

It is He Who conveys you on both land and sea so that when some of you are on a boat, running before a fair wind, rejoicing at it, and then a violent squall comes upon them and the waves come at them from every side and they realise there is no way of escape, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His: 'If You rescue us from this, we will truly be among the thankful.' (10:22)

Say: 'Mankind! If you are in any doubt about my religion, I do not worship those you worship besides Allah. Rather I worship Allah Who will take you back to Him and I am commanded to be one of the believers: Turn your face towards the religion in pure natural faith, and on no account be among the idolaters.' (10:104-105)

He (Yusuf) said, 'No meal to feed you will arrive before I have informed you what they mean. That is part of what my Lord taught me. For I have left the religion of a people who clearly have no faith in Allah and who refuse to acknowledge the truth of the world to come.' (12:37)

(Yusuf said,) 'What you serve apart from Him are only names which you and your forefathers have made up. There is no mandate for them from Allah. Allah alone is qualified to judge. His order is to worship none but Him. That is in truth the straight and upright religion, but most of mankind simply do not know.' (12:40)

Those who disbelieved said to their Messengers, 'We will drive you from our land unless you return to our religion.' Their Lord revealed to them, 'We will destroy those who do wrong.' (14:13)

Everything in the heavens and earth belongs to Him, and the religion belongs to Him, firmly and for ever. So why do you fear anyone other than Allah? (16:52)

Then We revealed to you: 'Follow the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (16:123)

That was the situation when we woke them up so they could question one another. One of them asked, 'How long have you been here?' They replied, 'We have been here for a day or part of a day.' They said, 'Your Lord knows best how long you have been here. Send one of your number into the city with this silver you have, so he can see which food is purest and bring you some of it to eat. But he should go about with caution so that no one is aware of you, for if they find out about you they will stone you or make you revert to their religion and then you will never have success.' (18:19-20)

Strive for Allah with the striving due to Him. He has selected you and not placed any constraint upon you in the religion—the religion of your forefather Ibrahim. He named you Muslims before and also in this, so that the Messenger could be witness against you and you could be witnesses against all mankind. So perform prayer and give the alms and hold fast to Allah. He is your Protector—the Best Protector, the Best Helper. (22:78)

A woman and a man who commit fornication: flog both of them with one hundred lashes and do not let compassion for either of them possess you where Allah's religion is concerned, if you believe in Allah and the Last Day. A number of believers should witness their punishment. (24:2) Allah has promised those of you who believe and do right actions that He will make them successors in the land as He made those before them successors, and will firmly establish for them their religion with which He is pleased and give them, in place of their fear, security. 'They worship Me, not associating anything with Me.' Any who disbelieve after that, such people are deviators. (24:55)

When they embark in ships, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His, but then when He delivers them safely to the land, they associate others with Him. (29:65)

So set your face firmly towards the Religion, as a pure natural believer, Allah's natural pattern on

which He made mankind. There is no changing Allah's creation. That is the true Religion—but most people do not know it—turning towards Him. Have fear of Him and perform prayer. Do not be among the idolaters: those who split up their religion, and form into sects, each faction exulting in what they have. (30:30-32)

So set your face firmly towards the True Religion, before a Day comes from Allah which cannot be turned back. On that Day they will be split up. (30:43)

When the waves hang over them like canopies, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His. But then when He delivers them safely to the land, some of them are ambivalent. None but a treacherous, thankless man denies Our Signs. (31:32)

Call them after their fathers. That is closer to justice in Allah's sight. And if you do not know who their fathers were then they are your brothers in the religion and people under your patronage. You are not to blame for any honest mistake you make but only for what your hearts premeditate. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:5) (Their leaders went off saying,) 'We have not heard of this in the old religion. This is merely something contrived.' (38:7)

We have sent down the Book to you with truth. So worship Allah, making your religion sincerely His. (39:2)

Indeed is the sincere religion not Allah's alone? If people take protectors besides Him—'We only worship them so that they may bring us nearer to Allah'—Allah will judge between them regarding the things about which they differed. Allah does not guide anyone who is an ungrateful liar. (39:3) Say: 'I am commanded to worship Allah, making my religion sincerely His.' (39:11)

Say: 'It is Allah I worship, making my religion sincerely His.' (39:14)

So call upon Allah, making your religion sincerely His, even though the disbelievers detest it. (40:14)

Pharaoh said, 'Let me kill Musa and let him call upon his Lord! I am afraid that he may change your religion and bring about corruption in the land.' (40:26)

He is the Living—there is no god but Him—so call on Him, making your religion sincerely His. Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (40:65)

He has laid down the same religion for you as He enjoined on Nuh: that which We have revealed to you and which We enjoined on Ibrahim, Musa and ‘Isa: ‘Establish the religion and do not make divisions in it.’ What you call the idolaters to follow is very hard for them. Allah chooses for Himself anyone He wills and guides to Himself those who turn to Him. (42:13)

Or do they have partners who have laid down a religion for them for which Allah has not given any authority? Were it not for the prior Word of Decision, the judgement between them would already have been made. The wrongdoers will have a painful punishment. (42:21)

No, in fact they say, ‘We found our fathers following a religion and we are simply guided in their footsteps.’ (43:22)

Similarly We never sent any warner before you to any city without the affluent among them saying, ‘We found our fathers following a religion and we are simply following in their footsteps.’ (43:23)

It is He Who sent His Messenger with the Guidance and the Religion of Truth to exalt it over every other religion and Allah suffices as a witness. (48:28)

Say: ‘Do you presume to teach Allah your religion when Allah knows everything in the heavens and everything in the earth? Allah has knowledge of all things.’ (49:16)

Allah does not forbid you from being good to those who have not fought you in the religion or driven you from your homes, or from being just towards them. Allah loves those who are just. (60:8)

Allah merely forbids you from taking as friends those who have fought you in the religion and driven you from your homes and who supported your expulsion. Any who take them as friends are wrongdoers. (60:9)

It is He Who sent His Messenger with guidance and the Religion of Truth to exalt it over every other religion, though the idolaters hate it. (61:9)

They were only ordered to worship Allah, making their religion sincerely His as people of pure natural belief, and to perform prayer and give the alms—that is the religion of the correct. (98:5)

Have you seen him who denies the religion? (107:1)

(Say: ‘Disbelievers!) You have your religion and I have my religion.’ (109:6)

When Allah’s help and victory have arrived and you have seen people entering Allah’s religion in droves, then glorify your Lord’s praise and ask His forgiveness. He is the Ever-Returning. (110:1-3)

## **REMEMBRANCE OF ALLAH**

Remember Me—I will remember you. Give thanks to Me and do not be ungrateful. (2:152)

There is nothing wrong in seeking bounty from your Lord. When you pour down from Arafat, remember Allah at the Sacred Landmark. Remember Him because He has guided you, even though before this you were astray. (2:198)

When you have completed your rites, remember Allah as you used to remember your forefathers—or even more. There are some people who say, ‘Our Lord, give us good in this world.’ They will have no share in the hereafter. (2:200)

Remember Allah on the designated days. Those who hurry on in two days have done no wrong, and those who stay another day have done no wrong—those of them who guard against evil. So have fear of Allah. And know that you will be gathered back to Him. (2:203)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, then either retain them with correctness and courtesy or release them with correctness and courtesy. Do not retain them by force, thus overstepping the limits. Anyone who does that has wronged himself. Do not make a mockery of Allah’s Signs. Remember Allah’s blessing to you and the Book and Wisdom He has sent down to you to admonish you. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:231)

If you are afraid, then perform prayer on foot or mounted. But when you are safe, remember Allah in the way He taught you when previously you did not know. (2:239)

He (Zakariyya) said, 'My Lord, appoint a Sign for me.' He said, 'Your Sign is that you will not speak to people for three days, except by gesture. Remember your Lord much and glorify Him in the evening and after dawn.' (3:41)

Hold fast to the rope of Allah all together, and do not separate. Remember Allah's blessing to you when you were enemies and He joined your hearts together so that you became brothers by His blessing. You were on the very brink of a pit of the Fire and He rescued you from it. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will be guided. (3:103)

(People who guard against evil are) those who, when they act indecently or wrong themselves, remember Allah and ask forgiveness for their bad actions (and who can forgive bad actions except Allah?) and do not knowingly persist in what they were doing. (3:135)

(Believers are) those who remember Allah, standing, sitting and lying on their sides, and reflect on the creation of the heavens and the earth: 'Our Lord, You have not created this for nothing. Glory be to You! So safeguard us from the punishment of the Fire.' (3:191)

When you have finished prayer remember Allah standing, sitting and lying on your sides. When you are safe again perform prayer in the normal way. The prayer is prescribed for the believers at specific times. (4:103)

The hypocrites think they deceive Allah, but He is deceiving them. When they get up to pray, they get up lazily, showing off to people, and only remembering Allah a very little. (4:142)  
Remember Allah's blessing to you and the covenant He made with you when you said, 'We hear and we obey.' Have fear of Allah. Allah knows what the heart contains. (5:7)

You who believe! Remember Allah's blessing to you when certain people were on the verge of raising their hands against you and He held their hands back from you. Have fear of Allah. The believers should put their trust in Allah. (5:11)

Remember when Musa said to his people, 'My people! Remember Allah's blessing to you when He appointed Prophets among you and appointed kings for you, and gave you what He had

not given to anyone else in all the worlds! (5:20)  
Satan wants to stir up enmity and hatred between you by means of wine and gambling, and to debar you from remembrance of Allah and from prayer. Will you not then give them up? (5:91)  
Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to your mother when I reinforced you with the Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth the dead by My permission; and when I held back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but downright magic'" (5:110)

Follow what has been sent down to you from your Lord and do not follow any protectors apart from Him. How little you remember! (7:3)

(Hud said to his people,) 'Or are you astonished that a reminder should come to you from your Lord by way of a man among you in order to warn you? Remember when He appointed you successors to the people of Nuh, and increased you greatly in stature. Remember Allah's blessings, so that hopefully you will be successful.' (7:69)

(Salih said,) 'Remember when He appointed you successors to 'Ad and settled you in the land. You built palaces on its plains and carved out houses from the mountains. Remember Allah's blessings and do not go about the earth, corrupting it.' (7:74)

As for those who guard against evil, when they are bothered by visitors from Satan, they remember and immediately see clearly. (7:201)

Remember your Lord in yourself humbly and fearfully, without loudness of voice, morning and evening. Do not be one of the unaware. (7:205)

You who believe! When you meet a troop, stand firm and remember Allah repeatedly so that hopefully you will be successful. (8:45)

Those who disbelieve say, 'Why has a Sign not been sent down to him from his Lord?' Say: 'Allah misguides whoever He wills and guides to Himself all who turn to Him: those who believe and whose hearts find peace in the remembrance of Allah. Only in the remembrance of Allah can the heart find peace.' (13:27-28)

Remember when Musa said to his people, 'Remember Allah's blessing to you when He rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you, slaughtering your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord.' (14:6)

Never say about anything, 'I am doing that tomorrow,' without adding 'If Allah wills.' Remember your Lord when you forget, and say, 'Hopefully my Lord will guide me to something closer to right guidance than this.' (18:23-24) Restraine yourself patiently with those who call on their Lord morning and evening, desiring His face. Do not turn your eyes from them, desiring the attractions of this world. And do not obey someone whose heart We have made neglectful of Our remembrance and who follows his own whims and desires and whose life has transgressed all bounds. (18:28)

(Disbelievers are) those whose eyes were blind to My remembrance and whose ears were unable to hear. (18:101)

Remembering your Lord's mercy to His servant Zakariyya, (19:2)

(A voice called out to Musa,) 'I am Allah. There is no god but Me, so worship Me and perform prayer to remember Me.' (20:14)

(Musa said,) 'Strengthen my back by him and let him share in my task, so that we can glorify You much and remember You much,' (20:31-34)

(He said,) 'Go, you and your brother, with My Signs and do not slacken in remembering Me.' (20:42)

Say: 'Who will protect you night and day from the All-Merciful?' Yet they turn away from the remembrance of their Lord. (21:42)

But you made a mockery of them so that they made you forget to remember Me while you were laughing at them. (23:110)

In houses which Allah has permitted to be built and in which His name is remembered, there are men who proclaim His glory morning and evening, not distracted by trade or commerce from the remembrance of Allah and the performance of prayer and the giving of the alms; fearing a day when all hearts and eyes will be in turmoil. (24:36-37)

Do you not see how they ramble on in every style and say things which they do not do, except those who believe and do right actions and remember Allah repeatedly and defend themselves after they have been wronged? Those who do wrong will soon know the kind of reversal they will receive! (26:225-227)

Recite what has been revealed to you of the Book and perform prayer. Prayer precludes indecency and wrongdoing. And remembrance of Allah is greater still. Allah knows what you do. (29:45)

You who believe! Remember Allah's blessing to you when forces came against you and We sent a wind against them and other forces you could not see. Allah sees what you do. (33:9)

You have an excellent model in the Messenger of Allah, for all who put their hope in Allah and the Last Day and remember Allah much. (33:21)

And remember the Signs of Allah and the wise words which are recited in your rooms. Allah is All-Pervading, All-Aware. (33:34)

Men and women who are Muslims, men and women who are believers, men and women who are obedient, men and women who are truthful, men and women who are steadfast, men and women who are humble, men and women who give charity, men and women who fast, men and women who guard their chastity, men and women who remember Allah much: Allah has prepared forgiveness for them and an immense reward. (33:35)

You who believe! Remember Allah much. (33:41)

Mankind! Remember Allah's blessing to you. Is there any creator other than Allah providing for you from heaven and earth? There is no god but Him. So how have you been perverted? (35:3)

Sâd. By the Qur'an holding the Remembrance. (38:1)

Is he whose breast is opened to Islam, and who is therefore illuminated by his Lord...? Woe to those whose hearts are hardened against the remembrance of Allah! Such people are clearly misguided. (39:22)

Allah has sent down the Supreme Discourse, a Book consistent in its frequent repetitions. The skins of those who fear their Lord tremble at it and then their skins and hearts yield softly to the remembrance of Allah. That is Allah's guidance by which He guides whoever He wills. And no one can guide those whom Allah misguides. (39:23)

Those who reject the Remembrance when it comes to them—truly it is a Mighty Book; (41:41) It is He Who created all the species and gave you ships and livestock for you to ride, so that you might sit firmly on their backs and remember your Lord's blessing while you are seated on them, saying, 'Glory be to Him Who has subjected this to us. We could never have done it by ourselves.' (43:12-13)

If someone shuts his eyes to the remembrance of the All-Merciful, We assign him a Satan who becomes his bosom friend. (43:36)

So turn away from him who turns away from Our remembrance and desires nothing but the life of this world. (53:29)

We left it as a Sign. But is there any rememberer there? (54:15)

We have made the Qur'an easy to remember. But is there any rememberer there? (54:17, 54:22, 54:32, 54:40)

We destroyed those of your kind in the past. But is there any rememberer there? (54:51)

Has the time not arrived for the hearts of those who believe to yield to the remembrance of Allah and to the truth He has sent down, so they are not like those who were given the Book before for whom the time seemed over long so that their hearts became hard? Many of them are deviators. (57:16)

Satan has gained mastery over them and made them forget the remembrance of Allah. Such people are the party of Satan. No indeed! It is the party of Satan who are the losers. (58:19)

You who believe! When you are called to prayer

on the Day of Friday, hasten to the remembrance of Allah and abandon trade. That is better for you if you only knew. (62:9)

Then when the prayer is finished spread through the earth and seek Allah's bounty and remember Allah much so that hopefully you will be successful. (62:10)

You who believe! Do not let your wealth or children divert you from the remembrance of Allah. Whoever does that is lost. (63:9)

If only they were to go straight on the Path, We would give them abundant water to drink so that We could test them by it. Whoever turns aside from the remembrance of his Lord, He will introduce him to an arduous punishment. (72:16-17)

Remember the Name of your Lord, and devote yourself to Him completely. (73:8)

Remember the Name of your Lord in the morning and the evening. (76:25)

## **REMEMBRANCE OF MESSENGERS**

Be steadfast in the face of what they say and remember Our servant Dawud, who possessed true strength. He truly turned to his Lord. (38:17) And remember Our servants Ibrahim, Ishaq and Ya'qub, men of true strength and inner sight. (38:45)

Remember Our servants Isma'il, Al-Yasa' and Dhu'l-Kifl; each of them was among the best of men. (38:48)

## **REMINDER (DHIKR)**

That is what We recite to you of the Signs and the wise Reminder. (3:58)

They are the ones Allah has guided, so be guided by their guidance. Say, 'I do not ask you for any wage for it. It is simply a reminder to all beings.' (6:90)

(Nuh said,) 'Or are you astonished that a reminder should come to you from your Lord by way of a man among you, to warn you and make you guard against evil so that hopefully you will gain mercy?' (7:63)

You do not ask them for any wage for it. It is only a reminder to all beings. (12:104)

It is We Who have sent down the Reminder and We Who will preserve it. (15:9)

We have only ever sent before you men who were given Revelation—ask the People of the Reminder if you do not know—who brought Clear Signs and Revealed Books. And We have sent down the Reminder to you so that you can make clear to mankind what has been sent down to them so that hopefully they will reflect. (16:43-44)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who is reminded of the Signs of his Lord and then turns away from them, forgetting all that he has done before? We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. Though you call them to guidance, they will nonetheless never be guided. (18:57)

We did not send down the Qur'an to you to make you miserable, but only as a reminder for those who have fear. (20:2-3)

In this way We give you news of what has gone before and We have given you a reminder direct from Us. (20:99)

(He said,) ‘But if anyone turns away from My reminder, his life will be a dark and narrow one and on the Day of Rising We will gather him blind.’ (20:124)

We have only ever sent before you men who were given Revelation. Ask the People of the Reminder if you do not know. (21:7)

We have sent down to you a Book containing your Reminder. So will you not use your intellect? (21:10)

We gave to Musa and Harun the Discrimination and a Shining Light and a Reminder for the heedful. (21:48)

This is a blessed Reminder which We have sent down. So are you going to ignore it? (21:50)

We responded to him and removed from him the harm which was afflicting him and restored his family to him, and the same again with them, as a mercy direct from Us and a Reminder to all worshippers. (21:84)

We wrote down in the Zabur, after the Reminder came: ‘It is My servants who are righteous who will inherit the earth.’ (21:105)

They (those they worship besides Allah) will say, ‘Glory be to You! It would not have been fitting

for us to have taken any protectors apart from You. But You let them and their fathers enjoy themselves so that they forgot the Reminder. They were people devoid of good.’ (25:18)

(A wrongdoer will say,) ‘He led me astray from the Reminder after it came to me.’ Satan always leaves man in the lurch. (25:29)

Is it not enough for them that We have sent down to you the Book which is recited to them? There is certainly a mercy and reminder in that for people who believe. (29:51)

You can only warn those who act on the Reminder and fear the All-Merciful in the Unseen. Give them the good news of forgiveness and a generous reward. (36:11)

They said, ‘Your evil omen is in yourselves. Is it not just that you have been reminded? No, you are an unbridled people!’ (36:19)

We did not teach him poetry nor would it be right for him. It is simply a reminder and a clear Qur'an. (36:69)

and by the reciters of the Reminder: (37:3)

When they are reminded they do not pay heed. (37:13)

They used to say, ‘If we had only had a Reminder from the previous peoples, we would certainly have been sincere servants of Allah!’ (37:167-169)

(The leaders of the disbelievers said,) ‘Has the Reminder been sent down to him out of all of us?’ They are in doubt about My Reminder. They have yet to taste My punishment. (38:8)

We gave him back his family and the same again with them as a mercy from Us and a reminder for people of intellect. (38:43)

This is a Reminder. Those who guard against evil will have a good Homecoming. (38:49)

It is simply a reminder to all the worlds. (38:87)

Do you not see that Allah sends down water from the sky and threads it through the earth to emerge as springs and then by it brings forth crops of varying colours, which then wither and you see them turning yellow and then He makes them into broken stubble? There is a reminder in that for people of intelligence. (39:21)

We gave Musa the guidance and bequeathed the Book to the tribe of Israel, as guidance and a re-

minder for people of intelligence. (40:53-54)  
Shall We then deprive you of the Reminder for being a profligate people? (43:5)  
It is certainly a reminder to you and to your people and you will be questioned. (43:44)  
How shall they be reminded when a clear Messenger has already come to them? (44:13)  
What are they awaiting but for the Hour to come upon them suddenly? Its Signs have already come. What good will their Reminder be to them when it does arrive? (47:18)  
And the earth: how We stretched it out and cast firmly embedded mountains onto it and caused luxuriant plants of every kind to grow in it, an instruction and a reminder for every penitent human being. (50:7-8)  
There is a reminder in that for anyone who has a heart, or who listens well, having seen the evidence. (50:37)  
We know best what they say. You are not a dictator over them. So remind, with the Qur'an, whoever fears My Threat. (50:45)  
And remind them, for truly the believers benefit from being reminded. (51:55)  
Remind them then! For, by the blessing of your Lord, you are neither a soothsayer nor a madman. (52:29)  
(They said,) 'Has the Reminder been given to him of all of us? No indeed! He is an impudent liar.' (54:25)  
We have made it to be a reminder and a comfort for travellers in the wild. (56:73)  
Allah has prepared a terrible punishment for them. So have fear of Allah, people of intelligence—those who believe—Allah has sent down a reminder to you. (65:10)  
Those who disbelieve all but strike you down with their evil looks when they hear the Reminder and say, 'He is quite mad.' (68:51)  
But it is nothing less than a Reminder to all the worlds. (68:52)  
When the waters rose We carried you in the ship to make it a reminder for you and something to be retained by retentive ears. (69:11-12)  
It (the Qur'an) is a reminder for the heedful. (69:48)  
This truly is a reminder, so let anyone who wills

take the Way towards his Lord. (73:19)  
We have only appointed angels as masters of the Fire and We have only specified their number as a trial for those who disbelieve; so that those who were given the Book might gain in certainty, and those who believe might increase in their faith, and both those who were given the Book and the believers might have no doubt; and so that those with sickness in their hearts and the disbelievers might say, 'What did Allah intend by this example?' In this way Allah misguides those He wills and guides those He wills. No one knows the legions of your Lord but Him. This is nothing but a reminder to all human beings. (74:31)  
What is the matter with them that they run from the Reminder? (74:49)  
No indeed! It is truly a reminder to which anyone who wills may pay heed. (74:54-55)  
This truly is a Reminder, so whoever wills should take the Way towards his Lord. (76:29)  
by those hurling a reminder, (77:5)  
But how do you know? Perhaps he would be purified or reminded, and the reminder benefit him. (80:3-4)  
No indeed! Truly it is a reminder, (80:11)  
It is nothing but a Reminder to all the worlds. (81:27)  
Remind, then, if the reminder benefits. He who has fear will be reminded. (87:9-10)  
So remind them! You are only a reminder. (88:21)

## REMORSE

Then Allah sent a crow which scratched at the earth to show him how to conceal his brother's corpse. He said, 'Woe is me! Can I not even be like this crow and conceal my brother's corpse?' And he became one of those who suffer bitter remorse. (5:31)  
If every self that did wrong possessed everything on earth, it would offer it as a ransom. They will show remorse when they see the punishment. Everything will be decided between them justly. They will not be wronged. (10:54)  
But they hamstrung her (the she-camel) and woke up full of remorse. (26:157)  
Those deemed weak will say to those deemed

great, 'No, it was your scheming night and day when you commanded us to reject Allah and assign equals to Him.' But they will show their remorse when they see the punishment. We will put iron collars round the necks of those who disbelieve. Will they be repaid for anything but what they did? (34:33)

## REPAYMENT

Kill them wherever you come across them and expel them from where they expelled you. Corruption is worse than killing. Do not fight them in the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) until they fight you there. But if they do fight you, then kill them. That is how the disbelievers should be repaid. (2:191)

The repayment of such people is that Allah's curse is on them and that of the angels and of all mankind. (3:87)

As for anyone who kills a believer deliberately, his repayment is Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. Allah is angry with him and has cursed him, and has prepared for him a terrible punishment. (4:93)

But as for those who believe and do right actions, We will admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah's promise is true. Whose speech could be truer than Allah's? It is not a matter of wishful thinking on your part nor of the wishful thinking of the People of the Book. Anyone who does evil will be repaid for it. He will not find any protector or helper besides Allah. (4:122-123)

(One of Adam's two sons said to the other,) 'I want you to take on both my wrongdoing and your wrongdoing and so become one of the Companions of the Fire. That is the repayment of the wrongdoers.' (5:29)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs, or who says, 'It has been revealed to me,' when nothing has been revealed to him, or someone who says, 'I will send down the same as Allah has sent down'? If you could only see the wrongdoers in the throes of death when the angels are stretching out their hands, saying, 'Disgorge your

own selves! Today you will be repaid with the punishment of humiliation for saying something other than the truth about Allah, and being arrogant about His Signs.' (6:93)

They say, 'These animals and crops are sacrosanct. No one may eat them except those we wish',--as they allege--and animals on whose backs it is forbidden to ride, and animals over which they do not mention Allah's name, inventing falsehood against Him. He will repay them for the things they have invented. (6:138)

They say, 'What is in the wombs of these animals is exclusively for our men and forbidden for our wives. But if it is stillborn, they can share in it.' He will repay them for their false depiction. He is All-Wise, All-Knowing. (6:139)

We made forbidden for the Jews every animal with an undivided hoof, and in respect of cattle and sheep, We made their fat forbidden for them, except what is attached to their backs or guts or mixed up with bone. That is how We repaid them for their insolence. And We certainly speak the truth. (6:146)

Nor can you say: 'If the Book had been sent down to us, We would have been better guided than they were.' For a Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord, and guidance and mercy. Who could do greater wrong than someone who denies Allah's Signs and turns away from them? We will repay those who turn away from Our Signs with the worst kind of punishment because they turned away. (6:157)

Those who produce a good action will receive ten like it. But those who produce a bad action will only be repaid with its equivalent and they will not be wronged. (6:160)

As for those who deny Our Signs and are arrogant regarding them, the Gates of Heaven will not be opened for them, and they will not enter the Garden until a camel goes through a needle's eye. That is how We repay the evildoers. (7:40)

They will have Hell as a resting-place and covering layers on top of them. That is how We repay wrongdoers. (7:41)

As for those who denied Our Signs and the encounter of the hereafter, their actions will come to nothing. Will they be repaid except for what

they did? (7:147)

As for those who adopted the Calf, anger from their Lord will overtake them together with abasement in the life of this world. That is how we repay the purveyors of falsehood. (7:152)  
To Allah belong the Most Beautiful Names, so call on Him by them and abandon those who desecrate His Names. They will be repaid for what they did. (7:180)

Let them laugh little and weep much, in repayment for what they have earned. (9:82)

They will swear to you by Allah when you return to them, so that you leave them alone. Leave them alone, then! They are filth. Their shelter will be Hell as repayment for what they did. (9:95)

Each and every one of you will return to Him. Allah's promise is true. He brings creation out of nothing and then regenerates it so that he can repay with justice those who believed and did right actions. Those who disbelieved will have a drink of scalding water and a painful punishment because of their disbelief. (10:4)

We destroyed generations before you when they did wrong. Their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs, but they were never going to believe. That is how We repay evildoers. (10:13)

Then it will be said to those who did wrong, 'Taste the punishment of eternity! Have you been repaid for anything other than what you earned?' (10:52)

They said, 'Its reparation shall be him in the saddlebags of whom it is discovered. With us that is how wrongdoers are repaid.' (12:75)

So that Allah may repay every self for what it earned. Allah is swift at reckoning. (14:51)

Gardens of Eden which they enter, with rivers flowing under them, where they have whatever they desire. That is how Allah repays those who guard against evil. (16:31)

He said (to Satan), 'Go! And as for any who follow you, your repayment is Hell, repayment in full!' (17:63)

That is their repayment for rejecting Our Signs and saying, 'What, when we are bones and crumbled dust, will we then be raised up as a new creation?' (17:98)

That is their repayment—Hell—because they disbelieved and made a mockery of My Signs and of My Messengers. (18:106)

That is how We repay anyone who is profligate and does not believe in the Signs of his Lord. And the punishment of the hereafter is much harsher and longer lasting. (20:127)

Were any of them to say, 'I am a god apart from Him,' We would repay him with Hell. That is how We repay wrongdoers. (21:29)

Such people will be repaid for their steadfastness with the Highest Paradise, where they will meet with welcome and with 'Peace'. (25:75)

Those who perform bad actions will be flung head first into the Fire: 'Are you being repaid for anything other than what you did?' (27:90)

Those who disbelieved will find that their disbelief was against themselves. Those who did right were making the way easy for themselves; so that He can repay with His bounty those who believed and did right actions. He certainly does not love the disbelievers. (30:44-45)

Those deemed weak will say to those deemed great, 'No, it was your scheming night and day when you commanded us to reject Allah and assign equals to Him.' But they will show their remorse when they see the punishment. We will put iron collars round the necks of those who disbelieve. Will they be repaid for anything but what they did? (34:33)

Whereas for those who disbelieve there will be the Fire of Hell. They will not be killed off so that they die and its punishment will not be lightened for them. That is how We repay every thankless man. (35:36)

You will definitely taste the painful punishment and you will only be repaid for what you did—except for Allah's chosen servants. (37:38-40)

Whoever does an evil act will only be repaid with its equivalent. But whoever acts rightly, male or female, being a believer, such a person will enter the Garden, provided for in it without any reckoning. (40:40)

We will make those who disbelieve suffer a severe punishment and repay them for the worst of what they did. (41:27)

That is the repayment of the enemies of

Allah—the Fire. They will have it for their Eternal Home as repayment for their renunciation of Our Signs. (41:28)

Tell those who believe that they should forgive those who feel no fear about the Days of Allah, when He will repay people according to what they earned. (45:14)

On the Day when those who disbelieved are exposed to the Fire: ‘You dissipated the good things you had in your worldly life and enjoyed yourself in it. So today you are being repaid with the punishment of humiliation for being arrogant in the earth without any right and for being deviators.’ (46:20)

When they saw it as a storm cloud advancing on their valleys they said, ‘This is a storm cloud which will give us rain.’ No, rather it is what you desired to hasten—a wind containing painful punishment, destroying everything at its Lord’s command! When morning came you could see nothing but their dwellings. That is how We repay the people of the evildoers. (46:24-25) (They will be told,) ‘Roast in it! And bear it patiently or do not bear it patiently. It makes no difference either way. You are simply being repaid for what you did.’ (52:16)

Everything in the heavens and everything in the earth belongs to Allah so that He can repay those who do evil for what they did and repay those who do good with the Very Best. (53:31)

The final fate of both of them is that they will be timelessly, for ever in the Fire. That is the repayment of the wrongdoers. (59:17)

### **REPENTANCE (TAWBAH)**

Those who hide the Clear Signs and Guidance We have sent down, after We have made it clear to people in the Book, Allah curses them, and the cursers curse them—except for those who repent and put things right and make things clear. I turn towards them. I am the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful. (2:159-160)

You who believe! Have fear of Allah and forgo any remaining usury if you are believers. If you do not, know that it means war from Allah and His Messenger. But if you repent you may have your capital, without wronging and without

being wronged. (2:278-279)

Except for those who, after that, repent and put things right. Truly Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (3:89)

Those who disbelieve after believing and then increase in their disbelief, their repentance will not be accepted. They are the misguided. (3:90)

If two of you commit a like abomination, punish them. If they repent and reform, leave them alone. Allah is Ever-Returning, Most Merciful. (4:16)

Allah only accepts the repentance of those who do evil in ignorance and then quickly repent after doing it. Allah turns towards such people. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:17)

There is no repentance for people who persist in doing evil until death comes to them and who then say, ‘Now I repent,’ nor for people who die disbeliever. We have prepared for them a painful punishment. (4:18)

The hypocrites are in the lowest level of the Fire. You will not find any one to help them, except those who repent and put things right and hold fast to Allah and dedicate their religion to Allah alone; they are with the believers. Allah will give the believers an immense reward. (4:145-146)

The reprisal against those who wage war on Allah and His Messenger, and go about the earth corrupting it, is that they should be killed or crucified, or have their alternate hands and feet cut off, or be banished from the land. That will be their degradation in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment, except for those who repent before you gain power over them. Know that Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:33-34)

But if anyone repents after his wrongdoing and puts things right, Allah will turn towards him. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:39)

When those who believe in Our Signs come to you, say, ‘Peace be upon you!’ Allah has made mercy incumbent on Himself. If anyone among you does evil out of ignorance and then afterwards repents and puts things right, He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (6:54)

When Musa came to Our appointed time and his Lord spoke to him, he said, ‘My Lord, show me

Yourself so that I may look at You!' He said, 'You will not see Me, but look at the mountain. If it remains firm in its place, then you will see Me.' But when His Lord manifested Himself to the mountain, He crushed it flat and Musa fell unconscious to the ground. When he regained consciousness he said, 'Glory be to You! I repent to You and I am the first of the believers!' (7:143) But as for those who do evil actions and then subsequently repent and believe, in that case your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (7:153)

A proclamation from Allah and His Messenger to mankind on the day of the greater pilgrimage: 'Allah is free of the idolaters, as is His Messenger. If you repent, it will be better for you. But if you turn your backs, know that you cannot thwart Allah.' Give those who disbelieve the news of a painful punishment. (9:3)

Then, when the sacred months are over, kill the idolaters wherever you find them, and seize them and besiege them and lie in wait for them on every road. If they repent and perform prayer and give the alms, let them go on their way. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:5)

But if they repent and perform prayer and give the alms, they are your brothers in the religion. We make the Signs clear for people who have knowledge. (9:11)

They swear by Allah that they said nothing, but they definitely spoke the word of disbelief and returned to disbelief after their Islam. They planned something which they did not achieve and they were vindictive for no other cause than that Allah and His Messenger had enriched them from His bounty. If they were to repent, it would be better for them. But if they turn away, Allah will punish them with a painful punishment in this world and the hereafter, and they will not find any protector or helper on the earth. (9:74) Do they not know that Allah accepts repentance from His servants and acknowledges their alms, and that Allah is the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful? (9:104)

Those who repent, those who worship, those who praise, those who fast, those who bow, those who prostrate, those who command the

right, those who forbid the wrong, those who preserve the limits of Allah: give good news to the believers. (9:112)

'Ask your Lord for forgiveness and then repent to Him. He will let you enjoy a good life until a specified time, and will give His favour to all who merit it. But if you turn your backs, I fear for you the punishment of a Mighty Day.' (11:3)

(Hud said,) 'My people! Ask forgiveness of your Lord and then repent to Him. He will send heaven down to you in abundant rain, and increase you with strength upon strength. Do not turn away as evildoers.' (11:52)

To Thamud We sent their brother Salih. He said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no god apart from Him. He brought you into being from the earth and made you its inhabitants. So ask His forgiveness and then repent to Him. My Lord is Close and Quick to Respond.' (11:61)

(Shu'ayb said,) 'Ask your Lord for forgiveness and then repent to Him. My Lord is Most Merciful, Most Loving.' (11:90)

But to those who do evil in ignorance and then after that repent and put things right, to them your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (16:119)

An evil generation succeeded them who neglected the prayer and followed their appetites. They will plunge into the Valley of Evil—except for those who repent and believe and act rightly. They will enter the Garden and they will not be wronged in any way: (19:59-60)

But I am Ever-Forgiving to anyone who repents and believes and acts rightly and then is guided. (20:82)

But those who make accusations against chaste women and then do not produce four witnesses: flog them with eighty lashes and never again accept them as witnesses. Such people are deviators—except for those who after that repent and put things right. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:4-5)

And on the Day of Rising his punishment will be doubled and he will be humiliated in it timelessly, for ever, except for those who repent and believe and act rightly: Allah will transform the wrong actions of such people into good—Allah is

Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (25:69-70)  
For certainly all who repent and act rightly have turned sincerely towards Allah; (25:71)  
But as for those who repent and act rightly, they will hopefully be successful. (28:67)

The Forgiver of wrong action, the Acceptor of repentance, the Severe in retribution, the Possessor of abundance. There is no god but Him. He is the final destination. (40:3)

It is He Who accepts repentance from His servants and pardons evil acts and knows what they do. (42:25)

We have instructed man to be good to his parents. His mother bore him with difficulty and with difficulty gave birth to him; and his bearing and weaning take thirty months. Then when he achieves his full strength and reaches forty, he says, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing You bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You. And make my descendants righteous. I have repented to You and I am truly one of the Muslims.' (46:15) You who believe! Repent to Allah. It may be that your Lord will erase your bad actions from you and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them on the Day when Allah will not disgrace the Prophet and those who believed along with him. Their light will stream out ahead of them and on their right. They will say, 'Our Lord, perfect our light for us and forgive us! You have power over all things.' (66:8)

Those who persecute men and women of the believers, and then do not repent, will have the punishment of Hell, will have the punishment of the Burning. (85:10)

### **RESTING PLACE**

When he is told to have fear of Allah, he is seized by pride which drives him to wrongdoing. Hell will be enough for him! What an evil resting-place! (2:206)

Say to those who disbelieve: 'You will be overwhelmed and crowded into Hell. What an evil resting-place!' (3:12)

A brief enjoyment; then their shelter will be Hell. What an evil resting-place! (3:197)

They will have Hell as a resting-place and cover-

ing layers on top of them. That is how We repay wrongdoers. (7:41)  
Hell, where they will roast. What an evil resting-place! (38:56)

### **RESURRECTION**

How can you reject Allah, when you were dead and then He gave you life, then He will make you die and then give you life again, then you will be returned to Him? (2:28)

Then We brought you back to life after your death, so that perhaps you would show thanks. (2:56)

We said, 'Hit (the dead body) with part of the (sacrificed cow)! In that way Allah gives life to the dead and He shows you His Signs so that hopefully you will understand. (2:73)

In the creation of the heavens and earth, and the alternation of the night and day, and the ships which sail the seas to people's benefit, and the water which Allah sends down from the sky--by which He brings the earth to life when it was dead and scatters about in it creatures of every kind--and the varying direction of the winds, and the clouds subservient between heaven and earth, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (2:164)

What do you think about those who left their homes in thousands in fear of death? Allah said to them, 'Die!' and then brought them back to life. Allah shows great favour to mankind, but most people are not grateful. (2:243)

Or the one who passed by a town which had fallen into ruin? He asked, 'How can Allah restore this to life when it has died?' Allah caused him to die a hundred years then brought him back to life. Then He asked, 'How long have you been here?' He replied, 'I have been here a day or part of a day.' He said, 'Not so! You have been here a hundred years. Look at your food and drink--it has not gone bad--and look at your donkey so We can make you a Sign for all mankind. Look at the bones--how We raise them up and clothe them in flesh.' When it had become clear to him, he said, 'Now I know that Allah has power over all things.' (2:259)

When Ibrahim said, 'My Lord, show me how You

bring the dead to life.' He asked, 'Do you not then believe?' He replied, 'Indeed I do! But so that my heart may be at peace.' He said, 'Take four birds and train them to yourself. Then put a part of them on each mountain and call to them; they will come rushing to you. Know that Allah is Almighty, All-Wise.' (2:260)

They say, 'There is nothing but this life and we will not be raised again.' (6:29)

Only those who can hear respond. As for the dead, Allah will raise them up, then to Him they will be returned. (6:36)

It is He Who takes you back to Himself at night, while knowing the things you perpetrate by day, and then raises you again to life, so that a specified term may be fulfilled. Then you will return to Him. Then He will inform you about what you did. (6:60)

Is someone who was dead and whom We brought to life, supplying him with a light by which to walk among people, the same as someone who is in utter darkness, unable to emerge from it? That is how what they were doing is made to seem attractive to the disbelievers. (6:122)

He (Satan) said, 'Grant me a reprieve until the day they are raised up.' (7:14)

It is He Who sends out the winds, bringing advance news of His mercy, so that when they have lifted up the heavy clouds, We dispatch them to a dead land and send down water to it, by means of which We bring forth all kinds of fruit. In the same way We will bring forth the dead, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (7:57)

He gives life and causes to die and you will be returned to Him. (10:56)

It is He Who created the heavens and the earth in six days when His Throne was on the water, in order to test which of you has the best actions. If you say, 'You will be raised up after death,' those who disbelieve will say, 'This is nothing but downright magic.' (11:7)

He (Satan) said, 'My Lord, grant me a reprieve until the Day they are raised again.' (15:36)

They are dead, not alive, and they are not aware of when they will be raised. (16:21)

They swear by Allah with their most earnest

oaths that Allah will not raise up those who die, when, on the contrary, it is a binding promise on Him; but most people do not know it. (16:38) (They will be raised up), so that He can make clear to them the things they differed about and so that those who disbelieved will know that they were liars. (16:39)

Allah sends down water from the sky and by it brings the dead earth back to life. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who hear. (16:65) They say, 'What! When we are bones and crumbled dust, will we then be raised up as a new creation!' (17:49)

That is their repayment for rejecting Our Signs and saying, 'What, when we are bones and crumbled dust, will we then be raised up as a new creation?' (17:98)

That was the situation when we raised them up (from sleep) so they could question one another. One of them asked, 'How long have you been here?' They replied, 'We have been here for a day or part of a day.' They said, 'Your Lord knows best how long you have been here. Send one of your number into the city with this silver you have, so he can see which food is purest and bring you some of it to eat. But he should go about with caution so that no one is aware of you.' (18:19)

Or have they taken gods out of the earth who can bring the dead to life? (21:21)

Mankind! If you are in any doubt about the Rising, know that We created you from dust then from a drop of sperm then from a clot of blood then from a lump of flesh, formed yet unformed, so We may make things clear to you. We make whatever We want stay in the womb until a specified time and then We bring you out as children so that you can reach your full maturity. Some of you die and some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that, after having knowledge, they then know nothing at all. And you see the earth dead and barren; then when We send down water onto it it quivers and swells and sprouts with luxuriant plants of every kind. (22:5)

That is because Allah is the Real and gives life to the dead and has power over all things and the Hour is coming without any doubt and Allah will

raise up all those in the graves. (22:6-7)

It is He Who gave you life and then will cause you to die and then will give you life again. Man is truly ungrateful. (22:66)

Then on the Day of Rising you will be raised again. (23:16)

Does he promise you that when you have died and become dust and bones you will be brought forth again? (23:35)

What is there but our life in this world? We die and we live and we will not be raised again. (23:37)

They say, 'When we are dead and turned to dust and bones, shall we then be raised again?' (23:82)

When death comes to one of them, he says, 'My Lord, send me back again so that perhaps I may act rightly regarding the things I failed to do!' No indeed! It is just words he utters. Before them there is an interspace until the Day they are raised up. (23:99-100)

But they have adopted gods apart from Him which do not create anything but are themselves created. They have no power to harm or help themselves. They have no power over death or life or resurrection. (25:3)

They themselves have come across the city which was rained on by an evil rain. Did they not then see it? But they do not expect to rise again. (25:40)

(Ibrahim said, 'It is) He Who will cause my death, then give me life.' (26:81)

(Ibrahim said, 'My Lord,) do not disgrace me on the Day they are raised up.' (26:87)

Say: 'No one in the heavens and the earth knows the Unseen except Allah.' They are not aware of when they will be raised. (27:65)

Those who disbelieve say, 'When we and our fathers are turned to dust will we then be brought forth again? We have been promised (to be brought forth again) before, we and our fathers. This is nothing but myths and legends of previous peoples.' (27:67-68)

If you ask them, 'Who sends down water from the sky, bringing the earth back to life again after it was dead?' they will say, 'Allah.' Say: 'Praise be to Allah.' But most of them do not use their intel-

lect. (29:63)

He brings forth the living from the dead and brings forth the dead from the living and brings the earth to life after it was dead. In the same way you too will be brought forth. (30:19)

Among His Signs is that He shows you lightning, a source of fear and eager hope, and sends down water from the sky, bringing the dead earth back to life by it. There are certainly Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (30:24)

Allah is He Who created you, then provides for you, then will cause you to die and then bring you back to life. Can any of your partner-gods do any of that? Glory be to Him and may He be exalted above anything they associate with Him! (30:40)

So look at the effect of the mercy of Allah, how He brings the dead earth back to life. Truly He is the One Who brings the dead to life. He has power over all things. (30:50)

Those who have been given knowledge and faith will say, 'You tarried in accordance with Allah's Decree until the Day of Rising. And this is the Day of Rising, but you did not know it.' (30:56)

Your creation and rising is only like that of a single self. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Seeing. (31:28)

It is Allah Who sends the winds which raise the clouds which We then drive to a dead land and by them bring the earth to life after it was dead. That is how the Resurrection will be. (35:9)

We bring the dead to life and We record what they send ahead and what they leave behind. We have listed everything in a clear register. (36:12)

A Sign for them is the dead land which We bring to life and from which We bring forth grain of which they eat. (36:33)

The Trumpet will be blown and at once they will be sliding from their graves towards their Lord. (36:51)

They will say, 'Alas for us! Who has raised us from our resting-place? This is what the All-Merciful promised us. The Messengers were telling the truth.' (36:52)

He makes likenesses of Us and forgets his own creation, saying, 'Who will give life to bones when they are decayed?' (36:78)

Say: 'He Who made them in the first place will

bring them back to life. He has total knowledge of each created thing.' (36:79)

(They say,) 'When we are dead and turned to dust and bones will we then be raised up again alive? And our earlier ancestors as well?' Say: 'Yes, and you will be in a despicable state.' There will be but one Great Blast and then their eyes will open. (37:16-19)

One of them will say, 'I used to have a friend who would say to me, "Are you one of those who say that it is true: that when we have died and are turned to dust and bones, we will face a Reckoning?"' (37:51-53)

Had it not been that he was a man who glorified Allah, he would have remained inside its belly until the Day they are raised again. (37:143-144) Say 'He Who made them in the first place will bring them back to life. He has total knowledge of each created thing.' (36:79)

He (Satan) said, 'My Lord, grant me a reprieve until the Day they are raised again.' (38:79)

They will say, 'Our Lord, twice You caused us to die and twice You gave us life. We admit our wrong actions. Is there no way out?' (40:11)

Among His Signs is that you see the earth laid bare and then when We send down water on it, it quivers and swells. He Who gives it life is He Who gives life to the dead. Certainly He has power over all things. (41:39)

Have they then taken others besides Him as protectors? But Allah is the Protector. He gives life to the dead. He has power over all things. (42:9)

It is He Who sends down water in due measure from the sky by which We bring a dead land back to life. That is how you too will be brought forth. (43:11)

These people say, 'There is nothing more than our first death. We will not be raised up a second time.' (44:34-35)

And in the alternation of night and day and the provision Allah sends down from the sky, bringing the earth to life by it after it has died, and the varying direction of the winds, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (45:5)

They say, 'There is nothing but our existence in this world. We die and we live and nothing destroys us except for time.' They have no knowl-

edge of that. They are only conjecturing. (45:24) When Our Clear Signs are recited to them their only argument is to say, 'Bring us our fathers (back) if you are telling the truth.' (45:25)

Say: 'Allah gives you life, then causes you to die, and then will gather you together for the Day of Rising about which there is no doubt. But most people do not know it.' (45:26)

But what of him who says to his parents, 'Fie on you! Do you promise me that I will be resurrected when generations before me have passed away?' They both call on Allah for help: 'Woe to you! Believe! Allah's promise is true.' But he says, 'This is nothing but the myths of previous peoples.' (46:17)

Do they not see that Allah—He Who created the heavens and the earth and was not wearied by creating them—has the power to bring the dead to life? Yes indeed! He has power over all things. (46:33)

(Disbelievers say,) 'When we are dead and turned to dust...? That would be a most unlikely return!' (50:3)

(We sent down water) as provision for Our servants; by it We brought a dead land to life. That is how the Emergence will take place. (50:11)

The Day they hear the Blast in truth, that is the Day of Emergence. (50:42)

It is We Who give life and cause to die and We are their final destination. (50:43)

(Has he not been informed) that He is responsible for the second existence? (53:47)

On the Day Allah raises up all of them together, He will inform them of what they did. Allah has recorded it while they have forgotten it. Allah is a Witness of all things. (58:6)

On the Day Allah raises up all of them together they will swear to Him just as they have sworn to you and imagine they have something to stand upon. No indeed! It is they who are the liars. (58:18)

Those who disbelieve claim that they will never be raised again. Say: 'Oh yes, by my Lord, you certainly will be raised again! And then you will be informed about what you did. That is easy for Allah.' (64:7)

Allah caused you to grow from the earth then

will return you to it and bring you out again. (71:17-18)

They thought—as you also think—that Allah would never raise up anyone. (72:7)

Is He Who does this not able to bring the dead to life? (75:40)

They will say, ‘Are we to be restored to how we were?’ (79:10)

Then, when He wills, He raises him from the dead. (80:22)

Do such people not realise that they will be raised up? (83:4)

He originates and regenerates. (85:13)

## **RETALIATION**

You who believe! Retaliation is prescribed for you in the case of people killed: free man for free man, slave for slave, female for female. But if someone is absolved by his brother, blood-money should be claimed with correctness and paid with good will. That is an easement and a mercy from your Lord. Anyone who goes beyond the limits after this will receive a painful punishment. (2:178)

There is life for you in retaliation, people of intelligence, so that hopefully you will guard against evil. (2:179)

If you want to retaliate, retaliate to the same degree as the injury done to you. But if you are patient, it is better to be patient. (16:126)

## **RETREAT**

On the night of the fast it is lawful for you to have sexual relations with your wives. They are clothing for you and you for them. Allah knows that you have been betraying yourselves and He has turned towards you and excused you. Now you may have sexual intercourse with them and seek what Allah has written for you. Eat and drink until you can clearly discern the white thread from the black thread of the dawn, then fulfil the fast until the night appears. But do not have sexual intercourse with them while you are in retreat in the mosques. These are Allah’s limits, so do not go near them. In this way does Allah make His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (2:187)

The angels called out to him while he (Zakariyya) was standing in prayer in the Upper Room: ‘Allah gives you the good news of Yahya, who will come to confirm a Word from Allah, and will be a leader and a celibate, a Prophet and one of the righteous.’ (3:39)

They are not all the same. There is a community among the People of the Book who are upright. They recite Allah’s Signs throughout the night, and they prostrate. (3:113)

## **RETRIBUTION**

Perform the pilgrimage and the pious visit for Allah. If you are forcibly prevented, make whatever sacrifice is feasible. But do not shave your heads until the sacrificial animal has reached the place of sacrifice. If any of you are ill or have a head injury, the expiation is fasting or charity or sacrifice when you are safe and well again. And if you are secure, then he who takes advantage of a pious visit before the pilgrimage should make whatever sacrifice is feasible. For any one who cannot, there is three days’ fast on pilgrimage and seven on your return—that is ten in all. That is for anyone whose family does not live near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Have fear of Allah and know that Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:196)

Ask the tribe of Israel how many Clear Signs We gave to them. If anyone alters Allah’s blessing after it has come to him, Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:211)

Know that Allah is fierce in retribution and that Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:98)

They want you to hasten the bad rather than the good when examples of punishment are there before them in the past. Your Lord has forgiveness for people for their wrongdoing; but your Lord is also severe in retribution. (13:6)

The Forgiver of wrong action, the Acceptor of repentance, the Severe in retribution, the Possessor of abundance. There is no god but Him. He is the final destination. (40:3)

The people of Nuh denied the truth before them, and the Confederates after them. Every nation planned to seize its Messenger and used false arguments to rebut the truth. So I seized them, and

how was My retribution! (40:5)

That was because their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs but they remained disbelievers. So Allah seized them. He is Most Strong, Severe in Retribution. (40:22)

That is because they were entrenched in hostility towards Allah and His Messenger. If anyone is hostile towards Allah, Allah is Severe in Retribution. (59:04)

Whatever booty Allah gives to His Messenger from city dwellers belongs to Allah and to the Messenger and to near relatives and orphans and the very poor and travellers, so that it does not become something which merely revolves between the rich among you. Whatever the Messenger gives you you should accept and whatever he forbids you you should forgo. Have fear of Allah—Allah is severe in retribution. (59:7)

## REVELATION

This is news from the Unseen which We reveal to you. You were not with them when they cast their reeds to see which of them would be the guardian of Maryam. You were not with them when they quarrelled. (3:44)

We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh and the Prophets who came after him. And We revealed to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and 'Isa and Ayyub and Yunus and Harun and Sulayman. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (4:163)

Say: 'What thing is greatest as a witness?' Say: 'Allah. He is Witness between me and you. This Qur'an has been revealed to me so that I may warn you by it, and anyone else it reaches. Do you then bear witness that there are other gods together with Allah?' Say: 'I do not bear witness.' Say: 'He is only One God, and I am free of all you associate with Him.' (6:19)

Say: 'I do not say to you that I possess the treasures of Allah, nor do I know the Unseen, nor do I say to you that I am an angel. I only follow what has been revealed to me.' Say: 'Are the blind the same as those who can see? So will you not reflect?' (6:50)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs, or

who says, 'It has been revealed to me,' when nothing has been revealed to him, or someone who says, 'I will send down the same as Allah has sent down'? If you could only see the wrong-doers in the throes of death when the angels are stretching out their hands, saying, 'Disgorge your own selves! Today you will be repaid with the punishment of humiliation for saying something other than the truth about Allah, and being arrogant about His Signs.' (6:93)

Follow what has been revealed to you from your Lord—there is no god but Him—and turn away from the idolaters. (6:106)

Say: 'I do not find, in what has been revealed to me, any food it is forbidden to eat except for carrion, flowing blood, and pork—for that is unclean—or some deviance consecrated to other than Allah. But if anyone is forced to eat it, without desiring to or going to excess in it, your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (6:145)

We revealed to Musa, 'Throw down your staff.' And it immediately swallowed up what they had forged. (7:117)

We divided them up into twelve tribes—communities. We revealed to Musa, when his people asked him for water: 'Strike the rock with your staff.' Twelve fountains flowed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. And We shaded them with clouds and sent down manna and quails to them: 'Eat of the good things We have provided you with.' They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they wronged. (7:160)

If you do not bring them a Sign, they say, 'Why have you not come up with one?' Say, 'I follow only what has been revealed to me from my Lord.' This is clear insight from your Lord, and guidance and mercy, for people who believe. (7:203)

And when your Lord revealed to the angels, 'I am with you so make those who believe firm. I will cast terror into the hearts of those who disbelieve, so strike their necks and strike all their finger joints!' (8:12)

Do people find it so surprising that We should reveal to a man among them: 'Warn mankind and give good news to those who believe that they are on a sure footing with their Lord'? The disbe-

lievers say, 'This is downright magic!' (10:2) When Our Clear Signs are recited to them, those who do not expect to meet Us say, 'Bring a Qur'an other than this one or change it.' Say: 'It is not for me to change it of my own accord. I follow nothing except what is revealed to me. I fear, were I to disobey my Lord, the punishment of a Dreadful Day.' (10:15)

We revealed to Musa and his brother: 'Settle your people in houses in Egypt and make your houses places of worship and perform prayer and give good news to the believers.' (10:87)

Follow what has been revealed to you and be steadfast until Allah's judgement comes. He is the Best of Judges. (10:109)

Perhaps you are leaving aside part of what has been revealed to you and your breast is constricted by this because they say, 'Why has treasure not been sent down to him or an angel not accompanied him?' You are only a warner and Allah is Guardian over all things. (11:12)

It was revealed to Nuh: 'None of your people are going to believe except for those who already believe, so do not be distressed at what they do.' Build the Ark under Our supervision and as We reveal and do not address Me concerning the wrongdoers. They shall be drowned.' (11:36-37) That is some of the news of the Unseen which We reveal to you. Neither you nor your people knew it before this time. So be steadfast. The best end result is for those who guard against evil. (11:49)

We tell you the best of stories in revealing this Qur'an to you, even though you were unaware of it before it came. (12:3)

But when, in fact, they did go out with him (Yusuf) and gathered all together and agreed to put him at the bottom of the well, We then revealed to him that: 'You will inform them of this deed they perpetrate at a time when they are totally unaware.' (12:15)

This is news of the Unseen which We reveal to you. You were not with them when they decided what to do and devised their scheme.' (12:102)

We sent none before you but men inspired with revelation from among the people of the cities. Have they not travelled in the land and seen the

final fate of those before them? The abode of the hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. So will you not use your intellect? (12:109) In the same way We have sent you among a nation before which other nations passed away, to recite to them what We have revealed to you. Yet they still reject the All-Merciful. Say: 'He is my Lord; there is no god but Him. I put my trust in Him and I turn to Him.' (13:30)

Those who disbelieved said to their Messengers, 'We will drive you from our land unless you return to our religion.' Their Lord revealed to them, 'We will destroy those who do wrong.' (14:13) We have only ever sent before you men who were given Revelation—ask the People of the Reminder if you do not know. (16:43)

Your Lord revealed to the bees: 'Build dwellings in the mountains and the trees, and also in the structures which men erect.' (16:68)

Then We revealed to you: 'Follow the religion of Ibrahim, a man of pure natural belief. He was not one of the idolaters.' (16:123)

That is part of the wisdom your Lord has revealed to you. Do not set up another god together with Allah and so be thrown into Hell, blamed and driven out. (17:39)

They were very near to enticing you away from some of what We have revealed to you, hoping that you would invent something against Us. Then they would have taken you as their intimate. (17:73)

If We wished We could take away what We have revealed to you and then you would not find any to guard you from Us. (17:86)

Recite what has been revealed to you of your Lord's Book. No one can change His Words. You will never find any safe haven apart from Him. (18:27)

Say: 'I am only a human being like yourselves. It is revealed to me that your god is One God. So let him who hopes to meet his Lord act rightly and not associate anyone in the worship of his Lord.' (18:110)

(A voice called out, 'Musa!) I have chosen you, so listen well to what is revealed.' (20:13)

He said, 'Your request has been granted, Musa. We were gracious to you another time when We

revealed to your mother: "Place him into the box and throw it into the sea and the sea will wash it up on the shore, where an enemy of Mine and his will pick it up." I showered you with love from Me so that you would be brought up under My supervision.' (20:36-39)

(He said to Musa 'Go to Pharaoh and say,) "It has been revealed to us that punishment is for him who denies the truth and turns away.'" (20:48)  
We revealed to Musa, 'Travel with My servants by night. Strike a dry path for them through the sea. Have no fear of being overtaken and do not be afraid.' (20:77)

High exalted be Allah, the King, the Real! Do not rush ahead with the Qur'an before its revelation to you is complete, and say: 'My Lord, increase me in knowledge.' (20:114)

We have only ever sent before you men who were given Revelation. Ask the People of the Reminder if you do not know. (21:7)

We sent no Messenger before you without revealing to him: 'There is no god but Me, so worship Me.' (21:25)

Say: 'I can only warn you through the Revelation.' But the deaf cannot hear the call when they are warned. (21:45)

We made them leaders, guiding by Our command, and revealed to them how to do good actions and perform prayer and give the alms, and they worshipped Us. (21:73)

Say: 'It is revealed to me that your god is One God. So are you Muslims?' (21:108)

We revealed to him (Nuh): 'Build the Ship under Our supervision and as We reveal. When Our command comes and water bubbles up from the earth, load into it a pair of every species, and your family—except for those among them against whom the word has already gone ahead. And do not address Me concerning those who do wrong. They shall be drowned.' (23:27)

We revealed to Musa: 'Travel with Our servants by night. You will certainly be pursued.' (26:52)  
So We revealed to Musa, 'Strike the sea with your staff.' And it split in two, each part like a towering cliff. (26:63)

We revealed to Musa's mother, 'Suckle him and then when you fear for him cast him into the sea.

Do not fear or grieve; We will return him to you and make him one of the Messengers.' (28:7)  
Recite what has been revealed to you of the Book and perform prayer. Prayer precludes indecency and wrongdoing. And remembrance of Allah is greater still. Allah knows what you do. (29:45)

Follow what has been revealed to you from your Lord. Allah is aware of what you do. (33:2)

Say: 'If I am misguided, it is only to my detriment. But if I am guided, it is by what my Lord reveals to me. He is All-Hearing, Close-at-hand.' (34:50)  
What We have revealed to you of the Book is the truth, confirming what came before it. Allah is aware of and sees His servants. (35:31)

Say: 'It is only revealed to me that I am a clear warner.' (38:70)

It has been revealed to you and those before you: 'If you associate others with Allah, your actions will come to nothing and you will be among the losers.' (39:65)

Say: 'I am only a human being like yourselves. It is revealed to me that your god is One God. So be straight with Him and ask His forgiveness.' Woe to those who associate others with Him. (41:6)

In two days He determined them as seven heavens and revealed, in every heaven, its own mandate. We adorned the lowest heaven with lamps and guarded it. That is the decree of the Almighty, the All-Knowing. (41:12)

That is how He sends revelation to you and those before you. Allah is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (42:3)

Accordingly We have revealed to you an Arabic Qur'an so that you may warn the Mother of Cities and those around it, and give warning of the Day of Gathering about which there is no doubt: one group in the Garden, the other in the Blazing Fire. (42:7)

He has laid down the same religion for you as He enjoined on Nuh: that which We have revealed to you and which We enjoined on Ibrahim, Musa and 'Isa: 'Establish the religion and do not make divisions in it.' What you call the idolaters to follow is very hard for them. Allah chooses for Himself anyone He wills and guides to Himself those who turn to Him. (42:13)

It does not befit Allah to address any human being except by inspiration, or from behind a veil, or He sends a messenger who then reveals by His permission whatever He wills. He is indeed Most High, All-Wise. (42:51)

Accordingly We have revealed to you a Spirit by Our command. You had no idea of what the Book was, nor faith. Nonetheless We have made it a Light by which We guide those of Our servants We will. Truly you are guiding to a Straight Path. (42:52)

So hold fast to what has been revealed to you. You are on a straight path. (43:43)

Say: 'I am nothing new among the Messengers. I have no idea what will be done with me or you. I only follow what has been revealed to me. I am only a clear warner.' (46:9)

It is nothing but Revelation revealed, (53:4)

Then He revealed to His servant what He revealed. (53:10)

Say: 'It has been revealed to me that a band of the jinn listened and said, "We have heard a most amazing Recitation." (72:1)

## **REVENGE**

He has sent down the Book to you with truth, confirming what was there before it. And He sent down the Torah and the Gospel, previously, as guidance for mankind, and He has sent down the Furqan (Discrimination). Those who reject Allah's Signs will have a terrible punishment. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (3:3-4)

You who believe! Do not kill game while you are in the state of pilgrimage. If one of you kills any deliberately, the reprisal for it is a livestock animal equivalent to what he killed, as judged by two just men among you, a sacrifice to reach the Kaaba, or expiation by feeding the poor, or fasting commensurate with that, so that he may taste the evil consequences of what he did. Allah has pardoned all that took place in the past; but if anyone does it again Allah will take revenge on him. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (5:95)

Then We took revenge on them and drowned them in the sea because they denied Our Signs and paid no attention to them. (7:136)

Do not imagine that Allah will break His promise to His Messengers. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (14:47)

We took revenge on them as well. They are both beside a well-beaten track. (15:79)

Before you We sent other Messengers to their people, and they too brought them the Clear Signs. We took revenge on those who did evil; and it is Our duty to help the believers. (30:47)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who is reminded of the Signs of his Lord and then turns away from them? We will take revenge on the evildoers. (32:22)

Is Allah not enough for His servant? Yet they try to scare you with others apart from Him. If Allah misguides someone, he has no guide and if Allah guides someone, he cannot be misguided. Is Allah not Almighty, Exactor of Revenge? (39:36-37)

So We took revenge on them. And see the final fate of the deniers! (43:25)

Either We will extricate you and take revenge on them or let you see what We have promised them. They are completely in Our power. (43:41-42)

Then when they had provoked Our wrath, We took revenge on them and drowned every one of them. (43:55)

On the day We launch the Great Assault We will certainly take Our revenge. (44:16)

## **REVILED**

He said (to Satan), 'Get out of it, reviled and driven out. As for those of them who follow you, I will fill up Hell with every one of you.' (7:18)

As for anyone who desires this fleeting existence, We hasten in it whatever We will to whoever We want. Then We will consign him to Hell where he will roast, reviled and driven out. (17:18)

Do not set up any other god together with Allah and so sit there reviled and forsaken. (17:22)

## **RWARD**

Those with faith, those who are Jews, and the Christians and Sabeans, all who believe in Allah and the Last Day and act rightly, will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and

will know no sorrow. (2:62)

If only they had believed and done their duty! A reward from Allah is better, if they only knew. (2:103)

Not so! All who submit themselves completely to Allah and are good-doers will find their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:112)

Those who spend their wealth in the Way of Allah, and then do not follow what they have spent by demands for gratitude or insulting words will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:262)

Those who give away their wealth by night and day, secretly and openly, will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:274)

Those who believe and do right actions and perform prayer and give the alms, will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:277)

You will not be denied the reward for any good thing you do. Allah knows those who guard against evil. (3:115)

Their recompense is forgiveness from their Lord, and Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. How excellent is the reward of those who act! (3:136)

No self can die except with Allah's permission, at a predetermined time. If anyone desires the reward of this world, We will give him some of it. If anyone desires the reward of the hereafter, We will give him some of it. We will recompense the thankful. (3:145)

So Allah gave them the reward of this world and the best reward of the hereafter. Allah loves good-doers. (3:148)

Those who did good and guarded against evil among those who responded to Allah and the Messenger after the wound had been inflicted will have an immense reward. (3:172)

Allah will only leave the believers in the position you now are in so that He can sift out the rotten from the good. Allah has not given you access to the Unseen. But Allah chooses those of His Messengers whom He wills. So believe in Allah

and His Messengers. If you believe and guard against evil you will have an immense reward. (3:179)

Their Lord responds to them: 'I will not let the deeds of any doer among you go to waste, male or female—you are both the same in that respect. Those who migrated and were driven from their homes and suffered harm in My Way and fought and were killed, I will erase their bad actions from them and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, as a reward from Allah. The best of all rewards is with Allah.' (3:195)

Among the people of the Book there are some who believe in Allah and in what has been sent down to you and what was sent down to them, and who are humble before Allah. They do not sell Allah's Signs for a paltry price. Such people will have their reward with their Lord. And Allah is swift at reckoning. (3:199)

Allah does not wrong anyone by so much as the smallest speck. And if there is a good deed Allah will multiply it and pay out an immense reward direct from Him. (4:40)

In that case (if they had done what they were urged to do) We would have given them an immense reward from Us. (4:67)

So let those who sell the life of this world for the hereafter fight in the Way of Allah. If someone fights in the Way of Allah, whether he is killed or is victorious, We will pay him an immense reward. (4:74)

Those who join forces for good will receive a reward for it. Those who join forces for evil will be answerable for it. Allah gives all things what they deserve. (4:85)

Those believers who stay behind—other than those forced to by necessity—are not the same as those who strive in the Way of Allah, sacrificing their wealth and themselves. Allah has given those who strive with their wealth and themselves a higher rank than those who stay behind. Allah has promised the Best to both, but Allah has preferred those who strive over those who stay behind by an immense reward. (4:95)

Those who migrate in the Way of Allah will find many places of refuge on the earth and ample

sustenance. If anyone leaves his home, migrating to Allah and His Messenger, and death catches up with him, it is Allah Who will reward him. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:100) There is no good in much of their secret talk, except in the case of those who enjoin charity, or what is right, or putting things right between people. If anyone does that, seeking the pleasure of Allah, We will give him an immense reward. (4:114)

If anyone desires the reward of this world, the reward of both this world and hereafter is with Allah. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Seeing. (4:134)

The hypocrites are in the lowest level of the Fire. You will not find any one to help them, except those who repent and put things right and hold fast to Allah and dedicate their religion to Allah alone; they are with the believers. Allah will give the believers an immense reward. (4:145-146) Allah has promised those who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (5:9)

Allah will reward them for what they say with Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the recompense of the good-doers. (5:85)

The magicians came to Pharaoh and they asked, 'Will we receive a reward if we are the winners?' (7:113)

That is your reward, so taste it. The disbelievers will also have the punishment of the Fire. (8:14) That is your reward. Allah always confounds the schemes of the disbelievers. (8:18)

Know that your wealth and children are a trial and that there is an immense reward with Allah. (8:28)

Their Lord gives them the good news of His mercy and good pleasure and Gardens where they will enjoy everlasting delight, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Truly there is an immense reward with Allah. (9:21-22)

Except for those who are steadfast and do right actions. They will receive forgiveness and a large reward. (11:11)

And then when he became a full-grown man, We gave him knowledge and right judgement too. That is how We reward all doers of good. (12:22)

So when they came into his (Yusuf's) presence, they said, 'Your Eminence! Hardship has hit us and our families. We bring scant merchandise, but fill the measure for us generously. Allah always rewards a generous giver.' (12:88)

(Their Lord revealed to them,) 'We will leave you the land to live in after them. That is the reward of those who fear My station and fear My threat.' (14:14)

As for those who migrate for Allah's sake after being wronged, We shall give them good lodging in this world, and the reward of the hereafter is greater still if they only knew. (16:41)

This Qur'an guides to the most upright Way and gives good news to the believers who do right actions that they will have a large reward. (17:9)

It is straight, to warn of violent force direct from Him, and to give the good news to the believers, those who do right actions, that for them there is an excellent reward. (18:2)

They will have Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them. They will be adorned in them with bracelets made of gold and wear green garments made of the finest silk and rich brocade, reclining there on couches under canopies. What an excellent reward! What a wonderful repose! (18:31)

In that situation the only protection is from Allah, the Real. He gives the best reward and the best outcome. (18:44)

Wealth and sons are the embellishment of the life of this world. But, in your Lord's sight, right actions which are lasting bring a better reward and are a better basis for hope. (18:46)

(Dhu'l-Qarnayn said,) 'But as for him who believes and acts rightly, he will receive the best of rewards and we will issue a command, making things easy for him.' (18:88)

Allah augments those who are guided by giving them greater guidance. In your Lord's sight, right actions which are lasting are better both in reward and end result. (19:76)

Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the reward of those who purify themselves. (20:76)

(Allah will say,) 'Today I have rewarded them for being steadfast. They are the ones who are victo-

rious.' (23:111)

... there are men who proclaim His glory morning and evening, not distracted by trade or commerce from the remembrance of Allah and the performance of prayer and the giving of the alms; fearing a day when all hearts and eyes will be in turmoil—so that Allah can reward them for the best of what they did and give them more from His unbounded favour. Allah provides for anyone He wills without reckoning. (24:36-38)

When the magicians came, they said to Pharaoh, 'Will we be rewarded if we are the winners?' (26:41)

They will be given their reward twice over because they have been steadfast and because they ward off the bad with the good and give from what we have provided for them. (28:54)

But those who had been given knowledge said, 'Woe to you! Allah's reward is better for those who believe and act rightly. But only the steadfast will obtain it.' (28:80)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub and placed Prophethood and the Book among his progeny. We gave him his reward in this world and in the hereafter he will be among the righteous. (29:27) As for those who believe and do right actions, We will lodge them in lofty chambers in the Garden, with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. How excellent is the reward of those who act. (29:58)

(O Prophet, tell your wives:) 'But if you desire Allah and His Messenger and the abode of the hereafter, Allah has prepared an immense reward for those among you who are good-doers.' (33:29)

But those of you who are obedient to Allah and His Messenger and act rightly will be given their reward twice over; and We have prepared generous provision for them. (33:31)

Men and women who are Muslims, men and women who are believers, men and women who are obedient, men and women who are truthful, men and women who are steadfast, men and women who are humble, men and women who give charity, men and women who fast, men and women who guard their chastity, men and women who remember Allah much: Allah has

prepared forgiveness for them and an immense reward. (33:35)

Their greeting on the Day they meet Him will be 'Peace!' and He has prepared a generous reward for them. (33:44)

Those who disbelieve will suffer a harsh punishment. But those who believe and do right actions will receive forgiveness and an immense reward. (35:7)

You can only warn those who act on the Reminder and fear the All-Merciful in the Unseen. Give them the good news of forgiveness and a generous reward. (36:11)

But if We let him taste mercy from Us after he has suffered hardship, then he says, 'This is my due. I do not think that the Hour is going to come. And if am returned to my Lord, I will definitely find the best reward with Him.' But We will inform those who disbelieve of what they did and make them suffer a ruthless punishment. (41:50)

The repayment of a bad action is one equivalent to it. But if someone pardons and puts things right, his reward is with Allah. Certainly He does not love wrongdoers. (42:40)

Those who pledge you their allegiance pledge allegiance to Allah. Allah's hand is over their hands. He who breaks his pledge only breaks it against himself. But as for him who fulfils the contract he has made with Allah, We will pay him an immense reward. (48:10)

Say to the Arabs who remained behind: 'You will be called up against a people who possess great force whom you must fight unless they submit. If you obey, Allah will give you an excellent reward. But if you turn your backs as you did before, He will punish you with a painful punishment.' (48:16)

Allah was pleased with the believers when they pledged allegiance to you under the tree. He knew what was in their hearts, and sent down serenity to them and has rewarded them with an imminent victory. (48:18)

Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and those who are with him are fierce to the disbelievers, merciful to one another. You see them bowing and prostrating, seeking Allah's good favour and His pleasure. Their mark is on their faces, the

traces of prostration. That is their likeness in the Torah. And their likeness in the Gospel is that of a seed which puts up a shoot and makes it strong so that it thickens and grows up straight upon its stalk, filling the sowers with delight—so that by them He may infuriate the disbelievers. Allah has promised those of them who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (48:29)

Those who lower their voices when they are with the Messenger of Allah are people whose hearts Allah has tested for heedfulness. They will have forgiveness and an immense reward. (49:3)

We bore him (Nuh) on a planked and well-caulked ship, which ran before Our eyes—a reward for him who had been rejected. (54:13-14)

Will the reward for doing good be anything other than good? (55:60)

Believe in Allah and His Messenger and give of that to which He has made you successors. Those of you who believe and give will have an immense reward. (57:7)

Who will make a good loan to Allah so that He may multiply it for him? He will have a generous reward. (57:11)

The men and women who give charity and make a good loan to Allah will have it increased for them and they will have a generous reward. (57:18)

Then We sent Our Messengers following in their footsteps and sent 'Isa son of Maryam after them, giving him the Gospel. We put compassion and mercy in the hearts of those who followed him. They invented monasticism—We did not prescribe it for them—purely out of desire to gain the pleasure of Allah, but even so they did not observe it as it should have been observed. To those of them who believed We gave their reward but many of them are deviators. (57:27)

Your wealth and children are a trial. But with Allah there is an immense reward. (64:15)

That is Allah's command which He has sent down to you. Whoever has fear of Allah—He will erase his bad actions from him and greatly increase his reward. (65:5)

Those who fear their Lord in the Unseen will have forgiveness and an immense reward. (67:12)

Your Lord knows that you stay up nearly two-thirds of the night—or half of it, or a third of it—and a group of those with you. Allah determines the night and day. He knows you will not keep count of it, so He has turned towards you. Recite as much of the Qur'an as is easy for you. He knows that some of you are ill and that others are travelling in the land seeking Allah's bounty, and that others are fighting in the Way of Allah. So recite as much of it as is easy for you. And perform prayer and give the alms and lend a generous loan to Allah. Whatever good you send ahead for yourselves you will find it with Allah as something better and as a greater reward. And seek forgiveness from Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (73:20)

So Allah has safeguarded them from the evil of that Day and has made them meet with radiance and pure joy and will reward them for their steadfastness with a Garden and with silk. (76:11-12)

'This is your reward. Your striving is fully acknowledged.' (76:22)

'This is the way We reward good-doers.' (77:44) Their reward is with their Lord: Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. That is for those who fear their Lord. (98:8)

## RIBA (SEE USURY)

## RICH

It (the charity) is for the poor who are held back in the Way of Allah, unable to travel in the land. The ignorant consider them rich because of their reticence. You will know them by their mark. They do not ask from people insistently. Whatever good you give away, Allah knows it. (2:273)

Allah has heard the words of those who say, 'Allah is poor and we are rich.' We will write down what they said and their killing of the Prophets without any right to do so and We will say, 'Taste the punishment of the Burning.' (3:181)

You who believe! Be upholders of justice, bear-

ing witness for Allah alone, even against yourselves or your parents and relatives. Whether they are rich or poor, Allah is well able to look after them. Do not follow your own desires and deviate from the truth. If you twist or turn away, Allah is aware of what you do. (4:135)

You who believe! The idolaters are unclean, so after this year they should not come near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). If you fear impoverishment, Allah will enrich you from His bounty if He wills. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:28)

They swear by Allah that they said nothing, but they definitely spoke the word of disbelief and returned to disbelief after their Islam. They planned something which they did not achieve and they were vindictive for no other cause than that Allah and His Messenger had enriched them from His bounty. If they were to repent, it would be better for them. But if they turn away, Allah will punish them with a painful punishment in this world and the hereafter, and they will not find any protector or helper on the earth. (9:74)

There are only grounds against those who ask you for permission to stay when they are rich. They were pleased to be among those who were left behind. Allah has sealed up their hearts so they do not know. (9:93)

Marry off those among you who are unmarried and those of your slaves and slavegirls who are righteous. If they are poor, Allah will enrich them from His bounty. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing. (24:32)

Those who cannot find the means to marry should be abstinent until Allah enriches them from His bounty. If any slaves you own want to make a contract to free themselves, write it for them if you know of good in them and give them some of the wealth Allah has given you. Do not force your slavegirls to prostitute themselves if they desire to be virtuous women out of your desire for the goods of this world. If anyone forces them, then after they have been forced, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:33)

Whatever booty Allah gives to His Messenger from city dwellers belongs to Allah and to the Messenger and to near relatives and orphans and

the very poor and travellers, so that it does not become something which merely revolves between the rich among you. Whatever the Messenger gives you you should accept and whatever he forbids you you should forgo. Have fear of Allah—Allah is severe in retribution. (59:7) Did He not find you impoverished and enrich you? (93:8)

## RIDING

They say, ‘These animals and crops are sacrosanct. No one may eat them except those we wish’,—as they allege—and animals on whose backs it is forbidden to ride, and animals over which they do not mention Allah’s name, inventing falsehood against Him. He will repay them for the things they have invented. (6:138)

And also (He provides) animals for riding and for haulage and animals for slaughtering and for wool. Eat what Allah has provided for you and do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He is an outright enemy to you. (6:142)

Remember when you called on your Lord for help and He responded to you: ‘I will reinforce you with a thousand angels riding rank after rank.’ (8:9)

And horses, mules and donkeys both to ride and for adornment. And He creates other things you do not know. (16:8)

We have made them tame for them and some they ride and some they eat. (36:72)

It is Allah Who has given you livestock, some for you to ride and some to eat. (40:79)

It is He Who created all the species and gave you ships and livestock for you to ride. (43:12)

## RIGHTEOUS (SALIHUN)

Who would deliberately renounce the religion of Ibrahim except someone who reveals himself to be a fool? We chose him in this world and in the hereafter he will be one of the righteous. (2:130)

The angels called out to him while he (Zakariyya) was standing in prayer in the Upper Room: ‘Allah gives you the good news of Yahya, who will come to confirm a Word from Allah, and will be a leader and a celibate, a Prophet and one of the righteous.’ (3:39)

When the angels said, 'Maryam, your Lord gives you good news of a Word from Him. His name is the Messiah, 'Isa, son of Maryam, of high esteem in this world and the hereafter, and one of those brought near.' (3:45)

They believe in Allah and the Last Day, and enjoin the right and forbid the wrong, and compete in doing good. They are among the righteous. (3:114)

Whoever obeys Allah and the Messenger will be with those whom Allah has blessed: the Prophets, the steadfast affirmers of truth, the martyrs and the righteous. What excellent company such people are! (4:69)

How could we not believe in Allah, and the truth that has come to us, when we long for our Lord to include us among the righteous?' (5:84)

And Zakariyya, Yahya, 'Isa and Ilyas. All of them were among the righteous. (6:85)

And We divided them into nations in the earth. Some of them are righteous and some are other than that. We tried them with good and evil so that hopefully they would return. (7:168)

As for those who hold fast to the Book and perform prayer, We will not let the wage of the righteous be wasted. (7:170)

(Say:) 'My Protector is Allah Who sent down the Book. He takes care of the righteous.' (7:196)

Among them there were some who made an agreement with Allah: 'If He gives us of His bounty we will definitely give charity and be among the righteous.' (9:75)

Two servants entered prison along with him (Yusuf). One said, 'I dreamt that I was pressing grapes.' The other said, 'I dreamt I carried bread upon my head and birds were eating it. Tell us the true meaning of these dreams. We see that you're one of the righteous.' (12:36)

(Yusuf said,) 'My Lord, You have granted power to me on earth and taught me the true meaning of events. Originator of the heavens and earth, You are my Friend in this world and the Next. So take me as a Muslim at my death and join me to the people who are righteous.' (12:101)

Gardens of Eden which they will enter, and all of their parents, wives and children who were righteous. Angels will enter in to welcome them from

every gate. (13:23)

We gave him good in this world and in the hereafter he will be one of the righteous. (16:122)

Your Lord knows best what is in your selves. If you are righteous, He is Ever-Forgiving to the remorseful. (17:25)

(He whom We had granted mercy from Us and whom We had also given knowledge direct from Us said to Musa,) 'As for the wall, it belonged to two young orphans in the town and there was a treasure underneath it, belonging to them. Their father was one of the righteous and your Lord wanted them to come of age and then to unearth their treasure as a mercy from Him. I did not do it of my own volition. That is the explanation of the things about which you were not able to restrain yourself.' (18:82)

And in addition to that We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub and made both of them righteous. (21:72)

We admitted him into Our mercy. He was one of the righteous. (21:75)

We admitted them into Our mercy. They were among the righteous. (21:86)

We wrote down in the Zabur, after the Reminder came: 'It is My servants who are righteous who will inherit the earth.' (21:105)

Marry off those among you who are unmarried and those of your slaves and slavegirls who are righteous. If they are poor, Allah will enrich them from His bounty. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing. (24:32)

(Ibrahim said,) 'My Lord, give me right judgement and unite me with the righteous.' (26:83)

He (Sulayman) smiled, laughing at its words, and said, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing You have bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You, and admit me, by Your mercy, among Your servants who are righteous.' (27:19)

He said (to Musa), 'I would like to marry you to one of these two daughters of mine on condition that you work for me for eight full years. If you complete ten, that is up to you. I do not want to be hard on you. You will find me, Allah willing, to be one of the righteous.' (28:27)

As for those who believe and do right actions, We will admit them among the righteous. (29:9)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub and placed Prophethood and the Book among his progeny. We gave him his reward in this world and in the hereafter he will be among the righteous. (29:27) We gave him the good news of Ishaq, a Prophet, one of the righteous. (37:112)

We have instructed man to be good to his parents. His mother bore him with difficulty and with difficulty gave birth to him; and his bearing and weaning take thirty months. Then when he achieves his full strength and reaches forty, he says, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing You bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You. And make my descendants righteous. I have repented to You and I am truly one of the Muslims.' (46:15) Give from what We have provided for you before death comes to one of you and he says, 'My Lord, if only you would give me a little more time so that I can give charity and be one of the righteous!' (63:10)

Allah has made an example for those who disbelieve: the wife of Nuh and the wife of Lut. They were married to two of Our servants who were righteous but they betrayed them and were not helped at all against Allah. They were told, 'Enter the Fire along with all who enter it.' (66:10)

But his Lord chose him and made him one of the righteous. (68:50)

Among us there are some who are righteous and some who are other than that. We follow many different paths. (72:11)

## RIVER

Give the good news to those who believe and do right actions that they will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them. When they are given fruit there as provision, they will say, 'This is what we were given before.' But they were only given a simulation of it. They will have there spouses of perfect purity and will remain there timelessly, for ever. (2:25)

Then your hearts became hardened after that, so they were like rocks or even harder still. There are some rocks from which rivers gush out, and others which split open and water pours out, and others which crash down from fear of Allah.

Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:74) When Talut marched out with the army, he said, 'Allah will test you with a river. Anyone who drinks from it is not with me. But anyone who does not taste it is with me—except for him who merely scoops up a little in his hand.' But they drank from it—except for a few of them. Then when he and those who believed with him had crossed it, they said, 'We do not have the strength to face Goliath and his troops today.' But those who were sure that they were going to meet Allah said, 'How many a small force has triumphed over a much greater one by Allah's permission! Allah is with the steadfast.' (2:249)

Would any of you like to have a garden of dates and grapes, with rivers flowing underneath and containing all kinds of fruits, then to be stricken with old age and have children who are weak, and then for a fierce whirlwind containing fire to come and strike it so that it goes up in flames? In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect. (2:266)

Say, 'Shall I tell you of something better than that?' Those who guard against evil will have Gardens with their Lord, with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and purified wives, and the Pleasure of Allah. Allah sees His servants. (3:15)

Their recompense is forgiveness from their Lord, and Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. How excellent is the reward of those who act! (3:136)

Their Lord responds to them: 'I will not let the deeds of any doer among you go to waste, male or female—you are both the same in that respect. Those who migrated and were driven from their homes and suffered harm in My Way and fought and were killed, I will erase their bad actions from them and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, as a reward from Allah. The best of all rewards is with Allah.' (3:195)

But those who have fear of their Lord will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever: hospitality from Allah. What is with Allah is better for those who are truly good. (3:198)

These are Allah's limits. As for those who obey Allah and His Messenger, We will admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the Great Victory. (4:13)

But as for those who believe and do right actions, We will admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. In them they will have spouses of perfect purity and We will admit them into cool, refreshing shade. (4:57)

But as for those who believe and do right actions, We will admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah's promise is true. Whose speech could be truer than Allah's? (4:122)

Allah made a covenant with the tribe of Israel and We raised up twelve leaders from among them. Allah said, 'I am with you. If you perform prayer and give the alms, and believe in My Messengers and respect and support them, and make a generous loan to Allah, I will erase your wrong actions from you and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Any of you who disbelieve after that have gone astray from the right way.' (5:12)

Allah will reward them for what they say with Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the recompense of the good-doers. (5:85)

Allah will say, 'This is the Day when the sincerity of the sincere will benefit them. They will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. That is the Great Victory.' (5:119)

Have they not seen how many generations We destroyed before them which We had established on the earth far more firmly than We have established you? We sent down heaven upon them in abundant rain and made rivers flow under them. But We destroyed them for their wrong actions and raised up further generations after them. (6:6)

We will strip away any rancour in their hearts. Rivers will flow under them and they will say,

'Praise be to Allah Who has guided us to this! We would not have been guided, had Allah not guided us. The Messengers of our Lord came with the Truth.' It will be proclaimed to them: 'This is your Garden which you have inherited for what you did.' (7:43)

Allah has promised the men and women of the believers Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and fine dwellings in the Gardens of Eden. And Allah's good pleasure is even greater. That is the great victory. (9:72)

Allah has prepared Gardens for them with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the great victory. (9:89)

The forerunners—the first of the Migrants (Muhajirun) and the Supporters (Ansar)—and those who have followed them in doing good: Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. He has prepared Gardens for them with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. That is the great victory. (9:100)

But as for those who believe and do right actions, their Lord will guide them by their faith. Rivers will flow under them in Gardens of Delight. (10:9)

It is He Who stretched out the earth and placed firmly embedded mountains and rivers in it and made two types of every kind of fruit. He covers over day with night. There are Signs in that for people who reflect. (13:3)

He sends down water from the sky and river-beds fill up and flow according to their size, and the floodwater carries with it an increasing layer of scum; a similar kind of scum comes from what you heat up in the fire, when you desire to make jewellery or other things. That is how Allah depicts the true and the false. As for the scum, it is quickly swept away. But as for that which is of use to people, it remains behind in the ground. That is a metaphor which Allah has made. (13:7)

What is the Garden promised to those who guard against evil like? It has rivers flowing under it and its foodstuffs and cool shade never fail. That is the final fate of those who guard against evil. But

the final fate of the disbelievers is the Fire. (13:35)

Those who believed and did right actions will be admitted into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever by the permission of their Lord. Their greeting there is ‘Peace!’ (14:23)

Allah is He Who created the heavens and the earth and sends down water from the sky and by it brings forth fruits as provision for you. He has made the ships subservient to you to run upon the sea by His command, and He has made the rivers subservient to you. (14:32)

He cast firmly embedded mountains on the earth so it would not move under you, and rivers and pathways so that hopefully you would be guided. (16:15)

Gardens of Eden which they enter, with rivers flowing under them, where they have whatever they desire. That is how Allah repays those who guard against evil. (16:31)

They say, ‘We will not believe you until you make a spring gush out from the earth for us; or have a garden of dates and grapes which you make rivers come pouring through.’ (17:90-91)

They will have Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them. They will be adorned in them with bracelets made of gold and wear green garments made of the finest silk and rich brocade, reclining there on couches under canopies. What an excellent reward! What a wonderful repose! (18:31)

Both gardens yielded their crops and did not suffer any loss, and We made a river flow right through the middle of them. (18:33)

Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the reward of those who purify themselves. (20:76)

Allah will admit those who believe and do right actions into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Allah does whatever He wishes. (22:14)

But Allah will admit those who believe and do right actions into Gardens with rivers flowing under them where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. (22:23)

Blessed be He Who, if He wishes, will grant you

better than that: Gardens with rivers flowing under them; and He will grant you Palaces. (25:10)

He Who made the earth a stable dwelling place and appointed rivers flowing through its midst and placed firmly embedded mountains on it and set a barrier between the two seas. Is there another god besides Allah? No indeed, but most of them do not know it! (27:61)

As for those who believe and do right actions, We will lodge them in lofty chambers in the Garden, with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. How excellent is the reward of those who act. (29:58)

But those who have fear of their Lord will have high-ceilinged Halls, and more such Halls built one above the other, and rivers flowing under them. That is Allah’s promise. Allah does not break His promise. (39:20)

Pharaoh called to his people, saying, ‘My people, does the kingdom of Egypt not belong to me? Do not all these rivers flow under my control? Do you not then see?’ (43:51)

Allah will admit those who believe to Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Those who disbelieve have their enjoyment, eating as cattle eat, but the Fire will be their final residence. (47:12)

An image of the Garden which is promised to those who guard against evil: in it there are rivers of water which will never spoil and rivers of milk whose taste will never change and rivers of wine, delightful to all who drink it, and rivers of honey of undiluted purity; in it they will have fruit of every kind and forgiveness from their Lord. Is that like those who will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever, with boiling water to drink which lacerates their bowels? (47:15)

It is He Who sent down serenity into the hearts of the believers thereby increasing their faith with more faith—the legions of the heavens and the earth belong to Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise—so that He may admit the men and women of the believers into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and erase their bad actions from them; and in Allah’s sight that is a mighty victory. (48:4-5)

There is no constraint on the blind, nor on the

lame, nor on the sick. We will admit all who obey Allah and His Messenger into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. But We will punish with a painful punishment anyone who turns his back. (48:17)

The people who guard against evil will be amid Gardens and Rivers. (54:54)

On the Day you see the men and women of the believers, with their light streaming out in front of them, and to their right: ‘Good news for you today of Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the Great Victory.’ (57:12)

You will not find people who believe in Allah and the Last Day having love for anyone who opposes Allah and His Messenger, though they be their fathers, their sons, their brothers or their clan. Allah has inscribed faith upon such people’s hearts and will reinforce them with a Spirit from Him and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. Such people are the party of Allah. Truly it is the party of Allah who are successful. (58:22)

He will forgive you your wrong actions and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, and fine dwellings in the Gardens of Eden. That is the Great Victory. (61:12)

On the Day He gathers you for the Day of Gathering—that is the Day of Profit and Loss. As for those who believe in Allah and act rightly, We will erase their bad actions from them and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. That is the Great Victory! (64:9)

(Allah has sent down) a Messenger reciting Allah’s Clear Signs to you to bring those who believe and do right actions out of the darkness into the Light. Whoever believes in Allah and acts rightly, We will admit him into Gardens with rivers flowing under them remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah has provided for him excellently! (65:11)

You who believe! Repent to Allah. It may be that your Lord will erase your bad actions from you and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing

under them on the Day when Allah will not disgrace the Prophet and those who believed along with him. Their light will stream out ahead of them and on their right. They will say, ‘Our Lord, perfect our light for us and forgive us! You have power over all things.’ (66:8)

But those who believe and do right actions will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them. That is the Great Victory. (85:11)

Their reward is with their Lord: Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. That is for those who fear their Lord. (98:8)

## ROCK

And (remember) when Musa was looking for water for his people, We said, ‘Strike the rock with your staff.’ Then twelve fountains gushed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. ‘Eat and drink of Allah’s provision and do not go about the earth corrupting it.’ (2:60)

Then your hearts became hardened after that, so they were like rocks or even harder still. There are some rocks from which rivers gush out, and others which split open and water pours out, and others which crash down from fear of Allah. Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:74)

Say: ‘It would not matter if you were rock or iron or indeed any created thing that you think is harder still!’ They will say, ‘Who will bring us back again?’ Say: ‘He Who brought you into being in the first place.’ They will shake their heads at you and ask, ‘When will it happen?’ Say: ‘It may well be that it is very near.’ (17:50-51)

He (Musa’s servant) said, ‘Do you see what has happened? When we went to find shelter at the rock, I forgot the fish. No one made me forget to remember it except Satan. It found its way into the sea in an amazing way.’ (18:63)

(Luqman said,) ‘My son, even if something weighs as little as a mustard-seed and is inside a rock or anywhere else in the heavens or earth, Allah will bring it out. Allah is All-Pervading, All-Aware.’ (31:16)

And Thamud who carved out rocks in the valley-side (was one of the tyrants). (89:9)

## **ROLLING OF THE EYES**

When they came at you from above you and below you, when your eyes rolled and your hearts rose to your throats, and you thought unworthy thoughts about Allah, at that point the believers were tested and severely shaken. (33:10-11)

Allah knows the obstructers among you and those who say to their brothers, 'Come to us,' and who only come to fight a very little, and are begrudging towards you. Then when fear comes, you see them looking at you, their eyes rolling like people scared to death. But when fear departs they flay you with sharp tongues, grasping for wealth. Such people have no faith and Allah will make their actions come to nothing. That is easy for Allah. (33:18-19)

## **ROMANS**

The Romans have been defeated in the land nearby, but after their defeat they will themselves be victorious in a few years' time. The affair is Allah's from beginning to end. On that day, the believers will rejoice. (30:2-4)

## **ROOF**

Those before them also plotted, and Allah came at their building from the foundations and the roof caved in on top of them. The punishment came at them from where they did not expect. (16:26) We made the sky a preserved and protected roof yet still they turn away from Our Signs. (21:32) Were it not that mankind might all become one community, We would have given those who reject the All-Merciful silver roofs to their houses and silver stairways to ascend. (43:33)

## **ROUT**

And with Allah's permission they routed them. Dawud killed Goliath and Allah gave him kingship and wisdom and taught him whatever He willed. If it were not for Allah's driving some people back by means of others, the earth would have been corrupted. But Allah shows favour to all the worlds. (2:251)

Even a whole army of Confederates will be routed there! (38:11)

The assembly will be routed and will turn their backs in flight. (54:45)

## **RUBY**

Like precious gems of ruby and pearl. (55:58)

## **RUG**

(Believers will be) reclining on green quilts and exquisite rugs. (55:76)

(In the Garden are) spread-out rugs. (88:16)

## **RUH (SEE SPIRIT)**

## **RULING**

They request from you a ruling concerning women. Say, 'Allah gives you a ruling about them; and also what is recited to you in the Book about orphan girls to whom you do not give the inheritance they are owed, while at the same time desiring to marry them; and also about young children who are denied their rights: that you should act justly with respect to orphans.' Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. (4:127)

They request from you a ruling. Say: 'Allah gives you a ruling about people who die without direct heirs: If a man dies childless but has a sister she receives half of what he leaves, and he is her heir if she dies childless. If there are two sisters they receive two-thirds of what he leaves. If there are brothers and sisters the males receive the share of two females. Allah makes things clear to you so you will not go astray. Allah has knowledge of all things.' (4:176)

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## SA'IBA

Allah did not institute any such thing as bahira or sa'iba or wasila or hami. Those who disbelieved invented lies against Allah. Most of them do not use their intellect. (5:103)

## SABAEANS

Those with faith, those who are Jews, and the Christians and Sabaean, all who believe in Allah and the Last Day and act rightly, will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:62)

Those who believe and those who are Jews and the Sabaean and the Christians, all who believe in Allah and the Last Day and act rightly will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (5:69)

As for those who believe and those who are Jews and the Sabaean and the Christians, Magians and idolaters, Allah will distinguish between them on the Day of Rising. Allah is witness of all things. (22:17)

## SABBATH

### (THE BAN OF THE SABBATH)

You are well aware of those of you who broke the Sabbath. We said to them, 'Be apes, despised, cast out.' (2:65)

You who have been given the Book! Believe in what We have sent down confirming what is with you, before We obliterate faces, turning them inside out, or We curse you as We cursed the Companions of the Sabbath. Allah's command is always carried out. (4:47)

We lifted up the Mount above their heads in accordance with the covenant they had made, and We said to them, 'Enter the gate prostrating,' and We said to them, 'Do not break the Sabbath,' and We made a binding covenant with them. (4:154)

Ask them about the town which was by the sea when they broke the Sabbath—when their fish came to them near the surface on their Sabbath day but did not come on the days which they did not keep the Sabbath. In this way We put them to the test because they were deviators. (7:163)

The Sabbath was only enjoined on those who

differed about it. Your Lord will judge between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things about which they differed. (16:124)

## SABR (SEE STEADFASTNESS)

## SACRED (FORBIDDEN) MONTHS

Sacred month in return for sacred month—sacred things are subject to retaliation. So if anyone oversteps the limits against you, overstep against him the same as he did to you. But have fear of Allah. Know that Allah is with those who guard against evil. (2:194)

They will ask you about the Sacred Month and fighting in it. Say, 'Fighting in it is a serious matter; but barring access to the Way of Allah and rejecting Him and barring access to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and expelling its people from it are far more serious in the sight of Allah. Discord is worse than killing.' They will not stop fighting you until they make you revert from your religion, if they are able. As for any of you who revert from their religion and die disbelievers, their actions will come to nothing in this world and the hereafter. They are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:217)

You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

Allah has made the Kaaba, the Sacred House, a special institution for mankind, and also the sacred months and the sacrificial animals and the ritual garlands. That is so you will know that Allah knows what is in the heavens and in the earth and that Allah has knowledge of all things. (5:97)

Then, when the sacred months are over, kill the

idolaters wherever you find them, and seize them and besiege them and lie in wait for them on every road. If they repent and perform prayer and give the alms, let them go on their way. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:5)

There have been twelve months with Allah in the Book of Allah, from the day He first created the heavens and earth. Four of them are forbidden. That is the True Religion. So do not wrong one another during them. However, fight the idolaters totally just as they fight you totally, and know that Allah is with those who guard against evil. (9:36)

Deferring a sacred month is an increase in disbelief by which those who have disbelieved are led astray. One year they make it profane and another sacred to tally with the number Allah has made sacred. In that way they profane what Allah has made sacred. Their bad actions are made to seem good to them. Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (9:37)

### SACRED LANDMARK

There is nothing wrong in seeking bounty from your Lord. When you pour down from Arafat, remember Allah at the Sacred Landmark. Remember Him because He has guided you, even though before this you were astray. (2:198)

### SACRED MOSQUE, THE (MASJID AL-HARAM)

And when We made the House (Kaaba) a place of return, a sanctuary for mankind: They took the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray) as a place of prayer. We contracted with Ibrahim and Isma'il: 'Purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stay there, and those who bow and who prostrate.' (2:125)

Wherever you come from, turn your face to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). This is certainly the truth from your Lord. Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:149)

Safa and Marwa are among the Landmarks of Allah, so anyone who goes on pilgrimage to the House (Kaaba) or does the pious visit incurs no wrong in going back and forth between them. If anyone spontaneously does good, Allah is All-

Thankful, All-Knowing. (2:158)

Kill them wherever you come across them and expel them from where they expelled you. Corruption is worse than killing. Do not fight them in the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) until they fight you there. But if they do fight you, then kill them. That is how the disbelievers should be repaid. (2:191)

Perform the pilgrimage and the pious visit for Allah. If you are forcibly prevented, make whatever sacrifice is feasible. But do not shave your heads until the sacrificial animal has reached the place of sacrifice. If any of you are ill or have a head injury, the expiation is fasting or charity or sacrifice when you are safe and well again. And if you are secure, then he who takes advantage of a pious visit before the pilgrimage should make whatever sacrifice is feasible. For any one who cannot, there is three days' fast on pilgrimage and seven on your return—that is ten in all. That is for anyone whose family does not live near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Have fear of Allah and know that Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:196)

You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

But why should Allah not punish them now when they bar access to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram)? They are not its guardians. Only people who guard against evil can be its guardians. But most of them do not know that. (8:34)

Their prayer at the House is nothing but whistling and clapping. So taste the punishment because you disbelieved! (8:35)

How could any of the idolaters possibly have a treaty with Allah and with His Messenger, except

for those you made a treaty with at the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram)? As long as they are straight with you, be straight with them. Allah loves those who guard against evil. (9:7)

Do you make the giving of water to the pilgrims and looking after the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) the same as believing in Allah and the Last Day and striving in the Way of Allah? They are not equal in the sight of Allah. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (9:19)

Glory be to Him Who took His servant on a journey by night from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) to the Further Mosque (Masjid al-Aqsa), whose surroundings We have blessed, in order to show him some of Our Signs. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Seeing. (17:1)

Those who disbelieve and bar access to the Way of Allah and to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) which We have appointed for all mankind—equally for those who live near it and those who come from far away—those who desire to profane it with wrongdoing, We will let them taste a painful punishment. (22:25)

And We located the position of the House (Kaaba) for Ibrahim: ‘Do not associate anything with Me and purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stand and bow and prostrate.’ (22:26)

(We said to Ibrahim,) ‘Then they should end their state of self-neglect and fulfil their vows and circle the Ancient House.’ (22:29)

You can make use of the sacrificial animals until a specified time, and then their place of sacrifice is by the Ancient House. (22:33)

### SACRED RITE

You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is se-

vere in retribution. (5:2)

That is it. As for those who honour Allah’s sacred rites should do so from heartfelt heeding. (22:32)

### SACRIFICIAL ANIMAL

Perform the pilgrimage and the pious visit for Allah. If you are forcibly prevented, make whatever sacrifice is feasible. But do not shave your heads until the sacrificial animal has reached the place of sacrifice. If any of you are ill or have a head injury, the expiation is fasting or charity or sacrifice when you are safe and well again. And if you are secure, then he who takes advantage of a pious visit before the pilgrimage should make whatever sacrifice is feasible. For any one who cannot, there is three days’ fast on pilgrimage and seven on your return—that is ten in all. That is for anyone whose family does not live near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Have fear of Allah and know that Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:196)

Those who say, ‘Allah has made a contract with us that we should not believe in any Messenger until he brings us a sacrifice consumed by fire.’ Say, ‘Messengers came to you before me with the Clear Signs and with what you say. So why did you kill them if you are telling the truth?’ (3:183) You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

Recite to them the true report of Adam’s two sons when they offered a sacrifice and it was accepted from one of them but not accepted from the other. The one said, ‘I shall kill you.’ The other said, ‘Allah only accepts from people who guard against evil.’ (5:27)

You who believe! Do not kill game while you are in the state of pilgrimage. If one of you kills any

deliberately, the reprisal for it is a livestock animal equivalent to what he killed, as judged by two just men among you, a sacrifice to reach the Kaaba, or expiation by feeding the poor, or fasting commensurate with that, so that he may taste the evil consequences of what he did. Allah has pardoned all that took place in the past; but if anyone does it again Allah will take revenge on him. Allah is Almighty, Exactor of Revenge. (5:95)

Allah has made the Kaaba, the Sacred House, a special institution for mankind, and also the sacred months and the sacrificial animals and the ritual garlands. That is so you will know that Allah knows what is in the heavens and in the earth and that Allah has knowledge of all things. (5:97)

We have appointed the sacrificial animals for you as one of the sacred rites of Allah. There is good in them for you, so invoke Allah's name over them, as they stand in rows. And then when they collapse on their sides, eat of them and feed both those who ask and those who are too shy to ask. In this way We have subjected them to you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (22:36) When he was of an age to work with him, he (Ibrahim) said, 'My son, I saw in a dream that I must sacrifice you. What do you think about this?' He said, 'Do as you are ordered, father. Allah willing, you will find me resolute.' (37:102) We ransomed him with a mighty sacrifice. (37:107)

So pray to your Lord and sacrifice. (108:2)

### **SADAQA (SEE CHARITY)**

### **SAFA AND MARWA**

Safa and Marwa are among the Landmarks of Allah, so anyone who goes on pilgrimage to the House or does the pious visit incurs no wrong in going back and forth between them. If anyone spontaneously does good, Allah is All-Thankful, All-Knowing. (2:158)

### **SAFEGUARDER**

He is Allah—there is no god but Him. He is the King, the Most Pure, the Perfect Peace, the

Trustworthy, the Safeguarder, the Almighty, the Compeller, the Supreme Great. Glory be to Allah above all they associate with Him. (59:23)

### **SAFETY**

And when Ibrahim said, 'My Lord, make this a place of safety and provide its inhabitants with fruits—all of them who believe in Allah and the Last Day,' He said, 'I will let anyone who becomes a disbeliever enjoy himself a little but then I will drive him to the punishment of the Fire. What an evil destination!' (2:126)

Perform the pilgrimage and the pious visit for Allah. If you are forcibly prevented, make whatever sacrifice is feasible. But do not shave your heads until the sacrificial animal has reached the place of sacrifice. If any of you are ill or have a head injury, the expiation is fasting or charity or sacrifice when you are safe and well again. And if you are secure, then he who takes advantage of a pious visit before the pilgrimage should make whatever sacrifice is feasible. For any one who cannot, there is three days' fast on pilgrimage and seven on your return—that is ten in all. That is for anyone whose family does not live near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Have fear of Allah and know that Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:196)

If you are afraid, then perform prayer on foot or mounted. But when you are safe, remember Allah in the way He taught you when previously you did not know. (2:239)

In it are Clear Signs—the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray). All who enter it are safe. Pilgrimage to the House is a duty owed to Allah by all mankind—those who can find a way to do it. But if anyone disbelieves, Allah is Rich Beyond Need of any being. (3:97)

You will find others who desire to be safe from you and safe from their own people. Each time they are returned to dissension they are overwhelmed by it. If they do not keep away from you or submit to you or refrain from fighting, seize them and kill them wherever you find them. Over such people We have given you clear authority. (4:91)

When you have finished prayer remember Allah

standing, sitting and lying on your sides. When you are safe again perform prayer in the normal way. The prayer is prescribed for the believers at specific times. (4:103)

(Ibrahim said,) ‘Why should I fear what you have associated with Him when you yourselves apparently have no fear of associating partners with Allah for which He has sent down no authority to you? Which of the two parties is more entitled to feel safe, if you have any knowledge? Those who believe and do not mix up their faith with any wrongdoing, they are the ones who are safe; it is they who are guided.’ (6:81-82)

If any of the idolaters ask you for protection, give them protection until they have heard the words of Allah. Then convey them to a place where they are safe. That is because they are a people who do not know. (9:6)

Then when they entered into Yusuf’s presence, he drew his parents close to him and said, ‘Enter Egypt safe and sound, if Allah wills.’ (12:99)

When Ibrahim said, ‘My Lord! Make this land a place of safety and keep me and my sons from worshipping idols.’ (14:35)

They (the people of Al-Hijr) carved out houses from the mountains, feeling safe. (15:82)

Allah makes an example of a city which was safe and at peace, its provision coming to it plentifully from every side. Then it showed ingratitude for Allah’s blessings so Allah made it wear the robes of hunger and fear for what it did. (16:112) Those who perform good actions will receive better than them and will be safe that Day from terror. (27:89)

They say, ‘If we follow the guidance with you, we shall be forcibly uprooted from our land.’ Have We not established a safe haven for them to which produce of every kind is brought, provision direct from Us? But most of them do not know it. (28:57)

Do they not see that We have established a safe haven while people all round them are violently dispossessed? So why do they believe in falsehood and reject the blessing of Allah? (29:67)

Allah and His angels call down blessings on the Prophet. You who believe! Call down blessings on him and ask for complete peace and safety for

him. (33:56)

We placed between them and the cities We had blessed other clearly conspicuous cities, making them measured stages on the way: ‘Travel between them in safety by night and day.’ (34:18)

It is not your wealth or your children that will bring you near to Us—only in the case of people who believe and act rightly; such people will have a double recompense for what they did. They will be safe from all harm in the High Halls of Paradise. (34:37)

Those who adulterate Our Signs are not concealed from Us. Who is better—someone who will be thrown into the fire or someone who will arrive in safety on the Day of Rising? Do what you like. He sees whatever you do. (41:40) The people who guard against evil will be in a safe place. (44:51)

Allah has confirmed His Messenger’s vision with truth: ‘You will enter the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) in safety, Allah willing, shaving your heads and cutting your hair without any fear.’ He knew what you did not know and ordained, in place of this, an imminent victory. (48:27)

So let them worship the Lord of this House Who has preserved them from hunger and secured them from fear. (106:3-4)

## SALAM (SEE PEACE)

## SALAT (SEE PRAYER)

## SALIH (AS) AND THAMUD

And to Thamud We sent their brother Salih, who said, ‘My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. A Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord. This is the She-Camel of Allah as a Sign for you. Leave her alone to eat on Allah’s earth and do not harm her in any way or a painful punishment will afflict you. Remember when He appointed you successors to ‘Ad and settled you in the land. You built palaces on its plains and carved out houses from the mountains. Remember Allah’s blessings and do not go about the earth, corrupting it.’ (7:73-74)

The ruling circle of those of his people who were arrogant said to those who were oppressed—those

among them who believed—‘Do you know that Salih has been sent from his Lord?’ They said, ‘We believe in what he has been sent with.’ (7:75)

Those who were arrogant said, ‘We reject Him in Whom you believe.’ (7:76)

And they hamstrung the She-Camel, spurning their Lord’s command, and said, ‘Salih! Bring us what you have promised us if you are one of the Messengers.’ (7:77)

So the earthquake seized them and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (7:78) He turned away from them and said, ‘My people, I transmitted my Lord’s message to you and gave you good counsel. However, you do not like good counsellors!’ (7:79)

Has the news of those who came before them not reached them, the people of Nuh and ‘Ad and Thamud, and the people of Ibrahim and the inhabitants of Madyan and the overturned cities? Their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (9:70)

To Thamud We sent their brother Salih. He said, ‘My people, worship Allah! You have no god apart from Him. He brought you into being from the earth and made you its inhabitants. So ask His forgiveness and then repent to Him. My Lord is Close and Quick to Respond.’ (11:61)

They said, ‘Salih, we had great hopes in you before this happened. Do you forbid us to worship what our fathers worshipped? We have grave doubts about what you are calling us to.’ (11:62) He said, ‘My people! What do you think? If I were to possess a Clear Sign from my Lord and He had given me mercy from Him: who would help me against Allah if I disobeyed Him? You would not increase me in anything but loss. My people! Here is the she-camel of Allah as a Sign for you. So leave her alone to eat on Allah’s earth and do not inflict any harm on her or you will be overcome by an imminent punishment.’ (11:63-64)

But they hamstrung her, so he said, ‘Enjoy yourselves in your land for three more days. That is a promise which will not be belied.’ (11:65)

Then when Our command came We rescued

Salih and those who believed along with him by a mercy from Us from the disgrace of that day. Your Lord is the All-Strong, the Almighty. (11:66) The Great Blast seized hold of those who did wrong and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (11:67)

It was as if they had never lived there at all. Yes indeed! Thamud rejected their Lord. So away with Thamud! (11:68)

(Shu’ayb said,) ‘My people! Do not let your breach with me provoke you into doing wrong so that the same thing happens to you as happened to the people of Nuh and the people of Hud and the people of Salih; and the people of Lut are not far distant from you.’ (11:89)

When Our command came, We rescued Shu’ayb and those who believed along with him by a mercy from Us. The Great Blast seized hold of those who did wrong and morning found them lying flattened in their homes as if they had never lived there at all. Yes indeed! Away with Madyan just like Thamud! (11:94-95)

Has news not reached you of those who came before you, the peoples of Nuh and ‘Ad and Thamud, and those who came after them who are known to no one but Allah? Their Messengers came to them with Clear Signs, but they put their hands to their mouths, saying, ‘We reject what you have been sent with. We have grave doubts about what you are calling us to.’ (14:9)

Nothing has prevented Us sending you Signs except the fact that the previous peoples denied them. We gave Thamud the she-camel as a visible Sign, and then they mistreated her. We do not send Signs except to frighten people. (17:59)

If they deny you, the people of Nuh before them denied him and those of ‘Ad and of Thamud. (22:42)

The same goes for ‘Ad and Thamud and the Companions of the Rass and many generations in between. (25:38)

Thamud denied the Messengers, when their brother Salih said to them, ‘Will you not guard against evil? I am a faithful Messenger to you so have fear of Allah and obey me. I do not ask you for any wage for it. My wage is the responsibility of no one but the Lord of all the worlds. Are you

going to be left secure amid what is here, amid gardens and clear springs, and cultivated fields and palms with supple spathes? Will you continue hewing houses from the mountains with exultant skill? So have fear of Allah and obey me. Do not obey the orders of the profligate, those who corrupt the earth and do not put things right.' (26:141-152)

They said, 'You are merely someone bewitched. You are nothing but a human being like ourselves, so produce a Sign if you are telling the truth.' (26:153-154)

He said, 'Here is a she-camel. She has a time for drinking and you have a time for drinking--on specified days. Do not do anything to harm her or the punishment of a terrible day will come down on you.' (26:155-156)

But they hamstrung her and woke up full of remorse, for the punishment did come down on them. There is certainly a Sign in that, yet most of them are not believers. Truly your Lord is the Almighty, the Most Merciful. (26:157-159)

To Thamud We sent their brother Salih telling them to worship Allah, and straightaway they divided in two, arguing with one another. He said, 'My people, why are you so anxious to hasten the bad before the good? If only you would ask for forgiveness from Allah, so that mercy might perhaps be shown to you.' They said, 'We see you, and those with you, as an evil omen.' He said, 'No, your evil omen is with Allah; you are merely a people undergoing a trial.' There was a group of nine men in the city causing corruption in the land and not putting things right. They said, 'Let us make an oath to one another by Allah that we will fall on him and his family in the night and then say to his protector, "We did not witness the destruction of his family and we are telling the truth." They hatched a plot and We hatched a plot while they were not aware. So look at the end result of all their plotting; We utterly destroyed them and their whole people! These are the ruins of their houses because of the wrong they did. There is certainly a Sign in that for people with knowledge. We rescued those who believed and who guarded against evil. (27:45-53)

And 'Ad and Thamud--it must be clear to you from their dwelling places! Satan made their actions seem good to them and so debarred them from the Way, even though they were intelligent people. (29:38)

And Thamud and the people of Lut and the Companions of the Thicket. Those too were Confederates. Each one of them denied the Messengers and so My punishment was justly carried out. (38:13-14)

The man who believed said, 'My people! I fear for you a day like that of the Confederates, the same as happened to the people of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud and those who followed after them. Allah does not want any injustice for His servants.' (40:30-31)

If they turn away, then say, 'I warn you of a lightning-bolt like the lightning-bolt of 'Ad and of Thamud.' When the Messengers came to them from in front and from behind, saying, 'Do not worship anyone but Allah', they said, 'If our Lord had willed, He could have sent angels down, so we reject the Message you have been sent with.' (41:13-14)

As for Thamud, We guided them, but they preferred blindness to guidance. So the lightning-bolt of the punishment of humiliation seized them on account of what they earned. And We rescued those who believed and guarded against evil. (41:17-18)

Before them the people of Nuh also denied the truth and the Companions of Rass and Thamud, (50:12)

And also in Thamud, when they were told: 'Enjoy yourselves a while!' But they spurned their Lord's command, so the Blast seized them as they looked. They could not stand upright and they were not helped. (51:43-45)

And (He destroyed) Thamud as well, sparing none of them, (53:51)

Thamud denied the warnings. They said, 'Are we to follow a human being, one of us? Then we would truly be misguided, quite insane! Has the Reminder been given to him of all of us? No indeed! He is an impudent liar.' 'They will know tomorrow who the impudent liar is. We will send the she-camel as a trial for them. Just keep a

watchful eye on them and be steadfast. Inform them that the water is to be shared out between them, each drinking by turn.' They called on their companion and he set to it and hamstrung her. How terrible were My punishment and warnings! We sent a single Blast against them and they were just like a thatcher's reeds. (54:23-31)

Thamud and 'Ad denied the Crushing Blow. Thamud were destroyed by the Deafening Blast. (69:4-5)

Has the story reached you of the legions of Pharaoh and Thamud? (85:17-18)

Do you not see what your Lord did with 'Ad-Iram of the Columns whose like was not created in any land—and Thamud who carved out rocks in the valley-side, and Pharaoh of the Stakes, all of whom were tyrants in their lands and caused much corruption in them? (89:6-12) Thamud denied in their excessive tyranny—when the worst of them rushed ahead, and the Messenger of Allah had said to them, 'This is the she-camel of Allah, so let her drink!' But they denied him and they hamstrung her, so their Lord crushed them for their sin and flattened them. And He does not fear the consequences. (91:11-15)

### SALIHUN (SEE RIGHTEOUS)

### SALSABIL

In it there is a flowing spring called Salsabil. (76:18)

### SALT

It is He Who has unloosed both seas—the one sweet and refreshing, the other salty and bitter—and put a dividing line between them, an uncrossable barrier. (25:53)

The two seas are not the same: the one is sweet, refreshing, delicious to drink, the other salty, bitter to the taste. Yet from both of them you eat fresh flesh and extract ornaments for yourselves to wear; and you see ships on them, cleaving through the waves so that you can seek His bounty and so that hopefully you will be thankful. (35:12)

### SAMARITAN

He (Allah) said, 'We tried your people after you left and the Samaritan has misguided them.' (20:85)

Musa returned to his people in anger and great sorrow. He said, 'My people, did not your Lord make you a handsome promise? Did the fulfilment of the contract seem too long to you or did you want to unleash your Lord's anger upon yourselves, so you broke your promise to me?' (20:86)

They said, 'We did not break our promise to you of our own volition. But we were weighed down with the heavy loads of the people's jewelry and we threw them in, for that is what the Samaritan did.' (20:87)

Then he produced a calf for them, a physical form which made a lowing sound. So they said, 'This is your god—and Musa's god as well, but he forgot.' (20:88)

Could they not see that it did not reply to them and that it possessed no power to either harm or benefit them? (20:89)

Harun had earlier said to them, 'My people! It is just a trial for you. Your Lord is the All-Merciful, so follow me and obey my command!' (20:90)

They said, 'We will not stop devoting ourselves to it until Musa returns to us.' (20:91)

He (Musa) said, 'What prevented you following me, Harun, when you saw that they had gone astray? Did you too, then, disobey my command?' (20:92-93)

He (Harun) said, 'Son of my mother! Do not seize me by the beard or by the hair. I was afraid that you would say, "You have caused division in the tribe of Israel and taken no notice to anything I said." (20:94)

He (Musa) said, 'What do you think you were doing, Samaritan?' (20:95)

He (Samaritan) said, 'I saw what they did not see. So I gathered up a handful from the Messenger's footprints and threw it in. That is what my inner self urged me to do.' (20:96)

He (Musa) said, 'Go! In this world you will have to say, "Untouchable!" And you have an appointment which you will not fail to keep. Look at your god to which you devoted so much time.

We will burn it up and then scatter it as dust into the sea. Your god is Allah alone, there is no god but Him. He encompasses all things in His knowledge.' (20:97-98)

### SANCTUARY

And when We made the House (Kaaba) a place of return, a sanctuary for mankind: They took the place where Ibrahim stood (to pray) as a place of prayer. We contracted with Ibrahim and Isma'il: 'Purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stay there, and those who bow and who prostrate.' (2:125)

### SANDAL

(A voice called out to Musa,) 'I am your Lord. Take off your sandals. You are in the holy valley of Tuwa.' (20:12)

### SATAN (SHAYTAN)

They follow what the Satans recited in the reign of Sulayman. Sulayman did not disbelieve, but the Satans did, teaching people sorcery and what had been sent down to Harut and Marut, the two angels in Babylon, who taught no one without first saying to him, 'We are merely a trial and temptation, so do not disbelieve.' People learned from them how to separate a man and his wife but they cannot harm anyone by it, except with Allah's permission. They have learned what will harm them and will not benefit them. They know that any who deal in it will have no share in the hereafter. What an evil thing they have sold themselves for if they only knew! (2:102)

When they meet those who believe, they say, 'We believe.' But then when they go apart with their Satans, they say, 'We are really with you. We were only mocking.' (2:14)

Mankind! Eat what is good and lawful on the earth. And do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He truly is an outright enemy to you. (2:168)

You who believe! Enter Islam totally. Do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He is an outright enemy to you. (2:208)

Satan promises you poverty and commands you to avarice. Allah promises you forgiveness from Him and abundance. Allah is All-Encompassing,

All-Knowing. (2:268)

Those who practise usury will not rise from the grave except as someone driven mad by Satan's touch. That is because they say, 'Trade is the same as usury.' But Allah has permitted trade and He has forbidden usury. Whoever is given a warning by his Lord and then desists, can keep what he received in the past and his affair is Allah's concern. But all who return to it will be the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:275)

We said to the angels, 'Prostrate to Adam!' and they prostrated, with the exception of Diabolis. He refused and was arrogant and was one of the disbelievers. (2:34)

But Satan made them slip up by means of it, expelling them from where they were. We said, 'Go down from here as enemies to each other! You will have residence on the earth and enjoyment for a time.' (2:36)

Those of you who turned their backs on the day the two armies clashed—it was Satan who made them slip for what they had done. But Allah has pardoned them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (3:155)

That was only Satan who intimidated his adherents. But do not fear them—fear Me if you are believers. (3:175)

When she gave birth, she said, 'My Lord! I have given birth to a girl'—and Allah knew very well what she had given birth to, male and female are not the same—and I have named her Maryam and placed her and her children in Your safe-keeping from the accursed Satan.' (3:36)

What they call on apart from Him are female idols. What they call on is an arrogant Satan. (4:117)

As for those who are tight-fisted and direct others to be tight-fisted, and hide the bounty Allah has given them, We have prepared a humiliating punishment for those who disbelieve, and also for those who spend their wealth to show off to people, not believing in Allah and the Last Day. Anyone who has made Satan his comrade, what an evil comrade he is! (4:37-38)

Do you not see those who claim that they believe in what has been sent down to you and what was

sent down before you, still desiring to turn to a satanic source for judgement in spite of being ordered to reject it? Satan wants to misguide them far away. (4:60)

Those who believe fight in the Way of Allah. Those who disbelieve fight in the way of false gods. So fight the friends of Satan! Satan's scheming is always feeble. (4:76)

When news of any matter reaches them they spread it about, whether it is of a reassuring or disquieting nature. If they had only referred it to the Messenger and those in command among them, those among them able to discern the truth about it would have had proper knowledge of it. If it were not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, all but a very few of you would have followed Satan. (4:83)

(Satan said,) 'I will lead them astray and fill them with false hopes. I will command them and they will cut off cattle's ears. I will command them and they will change Allah's creation.' Anyone who takes Satan as his protector in place of Allah has clearly lost everything. He makes promises to them and fills them with false hopes. But what Satan promises them is nothing but delusion. (4:119-120)

You who believe! Wine and gambling, stone altars and divining arrows are filth from the handiwork of Satan. Avoid them completely so that hopefully you will be successful. Satan wants to stir up enmity and hatred between you by means of wine and gambling, and to debar you from remembrance of Allah and from prayer. Will you not then give them up? (5:90-91)

In this way We have appointed as enemies to every Prophet Satans from both mankind and from the jinn, who inspire each other with delusions by means of specious words—if your Lord had willed, they would not have done it, so abandon them and all they fabricate. (6:112)

Do not eat anything over which the name of Allah has not been mentioned. To do so is sheer deviance. The Satans inspire their friends to dispute with you. If you obeyed them you would then be idolaters. (6:121)

And also animals for riding and for haulage and animals for slaughtering and for wool. Eat what

Allah has provided for you and do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He is an outright enemy to you. (6:142)

If only they had humbled themselves when Our violent force came upon them! However, their hearts were hard and Satan made what they were doing seem attractive to them. (6:43)

When you see people engrossed in mockery of Our Signs, turn from them until they start to talk of other things. And if Satan should ever cause you to forget, once you remember, do not stay sitting with the wrongdoers. (6:68)

Say: 'Are we to call on something besides Allah which can neither help nor harm us, and to turn on our heels after Allah has guided us, like someone the Satans have lured away in the earth, leaving him confused and stupefied, despite the fact that he has companions calling him to guidance, saying, "Come with us!"?' Say: 'Allah's guidance, that is true guidance. We are commanded to submit as Muslims to the Lord of all the worlds,' (6:71)

We created you and then formed you and then We said to the angels, 'Prostrate before Adam,' and they prostrated—except for Diabolis. He was not among those who prostrated. He said, 'What prevented you from prostrating when I commanded you to?' He replied, 'I am better than him. You created me from fire and You created him from clay.' He said, 'Descend from Heaven. It is not for you to be arrogant in it. So get out! You are one of the abased.' He said, 'Grant me a reprieve until the day they are raised up.' He said, 'You are one of the reprieved.' He said, 'By Your misguidance of me, I will lie in ambush for them on your straight path. Then I will come at them, from in front of them and behind them, from their right and from their left. You will not find most of them thankful.' He said, 'Get out of it, reviled and driven out. As for those of them who follow you, I will fill up Hell with every one of you.' 'Adam, live in the Garden, you and your wife, and eat of it wherever you like. But do not go near this tree lest you become wrongdoers.' Then Satan whispered to them, disclosing to them their private parts that had been concealed from them. He said, 'Your Lord has only forbid-

den you this tree lest you become angels or among those who live for ever.' He swore to them, 'I am one of those who give you good advice.' So he enticed them to do it by means of trickery. Then when they tasted the tree, their private parts were disclosed to them and they started stitching together the leaves of the Garden in order to cover themselves. Their Lord called out to them, 'Did I not forbid you this tree and say to you, "Satan is an outright enemy to you"?' (7:11-22)

Children of Adam! Do not let Satan tempt you into trouble as He expelled your parents from the Garden, stripping them of their covering and disclosing to them their private parts. He and his tribe see you from where you do not see them. We have made the Satans friends of those who have no faith. (7:27)

One group He guided; but another group got the misguidance they deserved. They took the Satans as friends instead of Allah and thought that they were guided. (7:30)

Recite to them the tale of him to whom We gave Our Signs, but who then cast them to one side and Satan caught up with him. He was one of those lured into error. (7:175)

If an evil impulse from Satan provokes you, seek refuge in Allah. He is All-Hearing, All-Seeing. As for those who guard against evil, when they are bothered by visitors from Satan, they remember and immediately see clearly. But as for their brothers, the visitors lead them further into error. And they do not stop at that! (7:200-202)

And when He overcame you with sleep, making you feel secure, and sent you down water from heaven to purify you and remove the taint of Satan from you, and to fortify your hearts and make your feet firm. (8:11)

When Satan made their actions appear good to them, saying, 'No one will overcome you today for I am at your side.' But when the two parties came in sight of one another, he turned right round on his heels saying, 'I wash my hands of you. I see what you do not see. I fear Allah. Allah is severe in retribution.' (8:48)

He (Yusuf) raised his parents up onto the throne. The others fell prostrate in front of him. He said,

'My father, truly this is now the interpretation of the dream I had. My Lord has made it all come true; and He was kind to me by letting me out of prison and brought you from the desert when Satan had caused dissent between me and my brothers. My Lord is kind to anyone He wills. He is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise. (12:100)

He (Yusuf) said to the one of them he knew was saved, 'Please mention me when you are with your lord,' but Satan made him forget to remind his lord, and so he stayed in prison for several years. (12:42)

He said, 'My son, don't tell your brothers your dream lest they devise some scheme to injure you, Satan is a clear-cut enemy to man. (12:5)

When the affair is decided Satan will say, 'Allah made you a promise, a promise of truth, and I made you a promise but broke my promise. I had no authority over you, except that I called you and you responded to me. Do not, therefore, blame me but blame yourselves. I cannot come to your aid nor you to mine. I reject the way you associated me with Allah before.' The wrongdoers will have a painful punishment. (14:22)

They would only say, 'Our eyesight is befuddled! Or rather we have been put under a spell!' We have placed constellations in heaven and made them beautiful for those who look. We have guarded them from every cursed Satan—except for the one who listens stealthily, and he is followed by an open flame. (15:15-18)

He (Satan) said, 'My Lord, because You misled me, I will make things on the earth seem good to them and I will mislead them all, every one of them, except Your servants among them who are sincere.' He said, 'This is a Straight Path to Me. You have no authority over any of My servants except for the misled who follow you.' (15:39-42)

By Allah, We sent Messengers to communities before your time, but Satan made their actions seem good to them. Therefore today he is their protector. They will have a painful punishment. (16:63)

Whenever you recite the Qur'an, seek refuge with Allah from the accursed Satan. He has no authority over those who believe and put their

trust in their Lord. He only has authority over those who take him as a friend and associate others with Allah. (16:98-100)

Squanderers are brothers to the Satans, and Satan was ungrateful to his Lord. (17:27)

Say to My servants that they should only say the best. Satan wants to stir up trouble between them. Satan is an outright enemy to man. (17:53) (He said,) 'Stir up any of them you can with your voice and rally against them your cavalry and your infantry and share with them in their children and their wealth and make them promises! The promise of Satan is nothing but delusion. But as for My servants, you will not have any authority over them.' Your Lord suffices as a guardian. (17:64-65)

He (Musa's servant) said, 'Do you see what has happened? When we went to find shelter at the rock, I forgot the fish. No one made me forget to remember it except Satan. It found its way into the sea in an amazing way.' (18:63)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam,' they prostrated with the exception of Diabolus. He was one of the jinn and wantonly deviated from his Lord's command. Do you take him and his offspring as protectors apart from Me when they are your enemy? How evil is the exchange the wrongdoers make! I did not make them witnesses of the creation of the heavens and the earth nor of their own creation. I would not take as assistants those who lead astray! (18:50-51)

Do you not see that We send the Satans against those who disbelieve to goad them on? (19:83) (Ibrahim said,) 'Father, do not worship Satan. Satan was disobedient to the All-Merciful. Father, I am afraid that a punishment from the All-Merciful will afflict you, and turn you into a comrade of Satan.' (19:44-45)

By your Lord, We will collect them and the Satans together. Then We will assemble them around Hell on their knees. Then We will drag out from every sect the one among them most insolent towards the All-Merciful. Then it is We Who will know best those most deserving to roast in it. There is not one of you who will not come to it. That is the final decision of your Lord.

Then We will rescue those who guarded against evil and We will leave the wrongdoers in it on their knees. (19:68-72)

But Satan whispered to him, saying, 'Adam, shall I show you the way to the Tree of Everlasting Life and to a kingdom which will never fade away?' (20:120)

And some of the Satans dived for him and did other things apart from that. And We were watching over them. (21:82)

Among people there is one who argues about Allah without knowledge, and follows every rebellious Satan. It is written of him that if anyone takes him as a friend, he will mislead him and guide him to the punishment of the Searing Blaze. (22:3-4)

We did not send any Messenger or any Prophet before you without Satan insinuating something into his recitation while he was reciting. But Allah revokes whatever Satan insinuates and then Allah confirms His Signs—Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise—so that He can make what Satan insinuates a trial for those with sickness in their hearts and for those whose hearts are hard—the wrongdoers are entrenched in hostility—(22:52-53)

Say: 'My Lord, I seek refuge with You from the goadings of the Satans.' (23:97)

You who believe! Do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. Anyone who follows in Satan's footsteps should know that he commands indecency and wrongdoing. Were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, not one of you would ever have been purified. But Allah purifies whoever He wills. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (24:21)

(On the Day a wrongdoer will say,) 'He led me astray from the Reminder after it came to me.' Satan always leaves man in the lurch. (25:29)

The Satans did not bring it (the Qur'an) down. (26:210)

Shall I tell you upon whom the Satans descend? They descend on every evil liar. They give them a hearing and most of them are liars. (26:221-223) (The hoopoe said,) 'I found both her and her people prostrating to the sun instead of Allah. Satan has made their actions seem good to them and

debarred them from the Way so they are not guided.' (27:24)

He (Musa) entered the city at a time when its inhabitants were unaware and found two men fighting there—one from his party and the other from his enemy. The one from his party asked for his support against the other from his enemy. So Musa hit him, dealing him a fatal blow. He said, 'This is part of Satan's handiwork. He truly is an outright and misleading enemy.' (28:15)

And 'Ad and Thamud—it must be clear to you from their dwelling places! Satan made their actions seem good to them and so debarred them from the Way, even though they were intelligent people. (29:38)

When they are told: 'Follow what Allah has sent down,' they say, 'No, we will follow what we found our fathers doing.' What! Even if Satan is calling them to the punishment of the Blazing Fire? (31:21)

Diabolis was correct in his assessment of them and they followed him, except for a group of the believers. (34:20)

Mankind! Allah's promise is true. Do not let the life of this world delude you and do not let the Deluder delude you about Allah. Satan is your enemy so treat him as an enemy. He summons his party so they will be among the people of the Searing Blaze. (35:5-6)

'Did I not make a contract with you, tribe of Adam, not to worship Satan, who truly is an outright enemy to you.' (36:60)

Its (the tree of Zaqqum's) fruits are just like the heads of Satans. (37:65)

We have adorned the lowest heaven with the beauty of the planets and guarded it against every defiant Satan. They cannot eavesdrop on the Highest Assembly and they are stoned from every side, repelled with harshness—they will suffer eternal punishment—except for him who snatches a snippet and then is pursued by a piercing flame. (37:6-10)

And the Satans, every builder and diver. (38:37)

Remember Our servant Ayyub when he called on his Lord: 'Satan has afflicted me with exhaustion and suffering.' (38:41)

Your Lord said to the angels, 'I am going to create

a human being out of clay. When I have formed him and breathed My Spirit into him, fall down in prostration to him!' So the angels prostrated, all of them together, except for Diabolis who was arrogant and was one of the disbelievers. He said, 'Diabolis, what prevented you prostrating to what I created with My own Hands? Were you overcome by arrogance or are you one of the exalted?' He said, 'I am better than him. You created me from fire but You created him from clay.' He said, 'Get out! You are accursed! My curse is upon you until the Day of Reckoning.' He said, 'My Lord, grant me a reprieve until the Day they are raised again.' He said, 'You are among the reprieved until the Day whose time is known.' He said, 'By Your might, I will mislead all of them except for Your chosen servants among them.' He said, 'By the truth—and I speak the truth—I will fill up Hell with you and every one of them who follows you.' (38:71-85)

If an evil urge from Satan eggs you on, seek refuge in Allah. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing. (41:36)

If someone shuts his eyes to the remembrance of the All-Merciful, We assign him a Satan who becomes his bosom friend—they debar them from the path, yet they still think they are guided—so that, when he reaches Us, he says, 'If only there was the distance of the two Easts between you and me!' What an evil companion! It will not benefit you today, since you did wrong, that you share equally in the punishment. (43:36-39)

Do not let Satan bar your way. He truly is an outright enemy to you. (43:62)

Those who have turned back in their tracks after the guidance became clear to them, it was Satan who talked them into it and filled them with false hopes. (47:25)

Conferring in secret is from Satan, to cause grief to those who believe; but it cannot harm them at all, unless by Allah's permission. So let the believers put their trust in Allah. (58:10)

Satan has gained mastery over them and made them forget the remembrance of Allah. Such people are the party of Satan. No indeed! It is the party of Satan who are the losers. (58:19)

They are the same as those a short time before

them who tasted the evil consequences of what they did. They will have a painful punishment. They are like Satan when he says to a human being, 'Disbelieve,' and then when he disbelieves, says, 'I wash my hands of you. Truly I fear Allah, the Lord of all the worlds.' The final fate of both of them is that they will be timelessly, forever in the Fire. That is the repayment of the wrongdoers. (59:15-17)

We have adorned the lowest heaven with lamps and made some of them stones for the Satans for whom We have prepared the punishment of the Blaze. (67:5)

Nor is it (the Qur'an) the word of an accursed Satan. (81:25)

### SCALE

The weighing that Day will be the truth. As for those whose scales are heavy, they are the successful. (7:8)

As for those whose scales are light, they are the ones who have lost their own selves because they wrongfully rejected Our Signs. (7:9)

Those whose scales are heavy, they are the successful. (23:102)

Those whose scales are light, they are the losers of their selves, remaining in Hell timelessly, forever. (23:103)

### SCANT YIELD

Good land yields up its plants by its Lord's permission, but that which is bad only yields up scantily. In this way We vary the Signs for people who are thankful. (7:58)

### SCHEME

If something good happens to you, it galls them. If something bad strikes you, they rejoice at it. But if you are steadfast and guard against evil, their scheming will not harm you in any way. Allah encompasses what they do. Remember when you left your family early in the day to instal the believers in their battle stations. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (3:120-121)

Those who believe fight in the Way of Allah. Those who disbelieve fight in the way of false gods. So fight the friends of Satan! Satan's schem-

ing is always feeble. (4:76)

That is your reward. Allah always confounds the schemes of the disbelievers. (8:18)

(Hud said,) 'So scheme against me, all of you together, and then grant me no respite.' (11:55)

He (Yusuf's father) said, 'My son, don't tell your brothers your dream lest they devise some scheme to injure you, Satan is a clear-cut enemy to man.' (12:5)

Then when he had supplied them with their needs, he (Yusuf) put the goblet in his brother's bag. A herald called out, 'Caravan! You are thieves!' They turned to them and said, 'What are you missing?' They said, 'We're missing the goblet of the king. The man who brings it will get a camel's load. Regarding that I stand as guarantor.' They said, 'By Allah, you know we did not come to corrupt the land and that we are not thieves.' They said, 'What is the reparation for it if it in fact transpires that you are liars?' They said, 'Its reparation shall be him in the saddlebags of whom it is discovered. With us that is how wrongdoers are repaid.' He started with their bags before his brother's and then produced it from his brother's bag. In that way We devised a cunning scheme for Yusuf. He could not have held his brother according to the statutes of the King—only because Allah had willed it so. We raise the rank of anyone We will. Over everyone with knowledge is a Knower. (12:70-76)

This is news of the Unseen which We reveal to you. You were not with them when they decided what to do and devised their scheme. (12:102)

So Pharaoh went away and concocted his scheme and then he arrived. (20:60)

They said, 'These two magicians desire by their magic to expel you from your land and abolish your most excellent way of life, so decide on your scheme and then arrive together in force. He who gains the upper hand today will definitely prosper.' (20:63-64)

(Ibrahim said,) 'By Allah, I will devise some scheme against your idols when your backs are turned.' (21:57)

They said, 'Did you do this to our gods, Ibrahim?' He said, 'No, this one, the biggest of them, did it. Ask them if they are able to speak!' They con-

sulted among themselves and said, ‘It is you yourselves who are wrongdoers.’ But then they relapsed back into their disbelief: ‘You know full well these idols cannot talk.’ He said, ‘Do you then worship, instead of Allah, what cannot help or harm you in any way? Shame on you and what you worship besides Allah! Will you not use your intellect?’ (21:62-67)

Those deemed weak will say to those deemed great, ‘No, it was your scheming night and day when you commanded us to reject Allah and assign equals to Him.’ But they will show their remorse when they see the punishment. We will put iron collars round the necks of those who disbelieve. Will they be repaid for anything but what they did? (34:33)

Pharaoh said, ‘Haman, build me a tower so that perhaps I may gain means of access, access to the heavens, so that I can look on Musa’s God. Truly I think he is a liar.’ That is how Pharaoh’s evil actions were made attractive to him and he debarred others from the Path. Pharaoh’s scheming led to nothing but ruin. (40:36-37)

They left early, intent on carrying out their scheme. (68:25)

Do you not see what your Lord did with the Companions of the Elephant? Did He not bring all their schemes to nothing? (105:1-2)

## **SCORN**

No wonder you are surprised as they laugh with scorn! (37:12)

When they see a Sign they only laugh with scorn. (37:14)

Do you nonetheless regard this discourse with scorn? (56:81)

## **SCREEN**

You who believe! Do not go into the Prophet’s rooms except when you are invited to come and eat. Do not wait there while the food is being cooked. However, when you are called, go in, and when you have eaten, disperse, not remaining there to chat with one another. Doing that causes annoyance to the Prophet though he is too reticent to tell you so. But Allah is not reticent with the truth. When you ask his wives for some-

thing, ask them from behind a screen. That is purer for your hearts and their hearts. It is not right for you to cause annoyance to the Messenger of Allah or ever to marry his wives after him. To do that would be a dreadful thing in Allah’s sight. (33:53)

They say, ‘Our hearts are covered up against what you call us to and there is a heaviness in our ears. There is a screen between us and you. So act—we are certainly acting.’ (41:5)

## **SCRIBE**

(The Qur'an is) inscribed on Honoured Pages, exalted, purified by the hands of scribes, noble, virtuous. (80:13-16)

## **SEA**

And when We parted the sea for you and rescued you, and drowned the people of Pharaoh while you watched. (2:50)

In the creation of the heavens and earth, and the alternation of the night and day, and the ships which sail the seas to people’s benefit, and the water which Allah sends down from the sky—by which He brings the earth to life when it was dead and scatters about in it creatures of every kind—and the varying direction of the winds, and the clouds subservient between heaven and earth, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (2:164)

Anything you catch in the sea is lawful for you, and all food from it, for your enjoyment and that of travellers, but land game is forbidden for you while you are in the state of pilgrimage. So have fear of Allah, Him to Whom you will be gathered. (5:96)

The keys of the Unseen are in His possession. No one knows them but Him. He knows everything in the land and sea. No leaf falls without His knowing it. There is no seed in the darkness of the earth, and nothing moist or dry which is not in a Clear Book. (6:59)

Say: ‘Who rescues you from the darkness of the land and sea? You call on Him humbly and secretly: “If you rescue us from this, we will truly be among the thankful.”’ (6:63)

It is He Who has appointed the stars for you so

you might be guided by them in the darkness of the land and sea. We have made the Signs clear for people who have knowledge. (6:97)

Then We took revenge on them and drowned them in the sea because they denied Our Signs and paid no attention to them. (7:136)

We conveyed the tribe of Israel across the sea and they came upon some people who were devoting themselves to some idols which they had. They said, 'Musa, give us a god just as these people have gods.' He said, 'You are indeed an ignorant people.' (7:138)

Ask them about the town which was by the sea when they broke the Sabbath—when their fish came to them near the surface on their Sabbath day but did not come on the days which they did not keep the Sabbath. In this way We put them to the test because they were deviators. (7:163)

It is He Who conveys you on both land and sea so that when some of you are on a boat, running before a fair wind, rejoicing at it, and then a violent squall comes upon them and the waves come at them from every side and they realise there is no way of escape, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His: 'If You rescue us from this, we will truly be among the thankful.' (10:22)

We brought the tribe of Israel across the sea and Pharaoh and his troops pursued them out of tyranny and enmity. Then, when he was on the point of drowning, he said, 'I believe that there is no god but Him in whom the tribe of Israel believe. I am one of the Muslims.' (10:90)

Allah is He Who created the heavens and the earth and sends down water from the sky and by it brings forth fruits as provision for you. He has made the ships subservient to you to run upon the sea by His command, and He has made the rivers subservient to you. (14:32)

It is He Who made the sea subservient to you so that you can eat fresh flesh from it and bring out from it ornaments to wear. And you see the ships cleaving through it so that you can seek His bounty, and so that hopefully you will show thanks. (16:14)

Your Lord is He Who propels the ships on the sea for you so that you may seek His bounty. He is

indeed Most Merciful to you. (17:66)

When harm occurs to you at sea, those you call on vanish—except for Him alone! But when He delivers you to dry land, you turn away. Man truly is ungrateful. (17:67)

We have honoured the sons of Adam and conveyed them on land and sea and provided them with good things and favoured them greatly over many We have created. (17:70)

Remember when Musa said to his servant, 'I will not give up until I reach the meeting-place of the two seas, even if I must press on for many years.' (18:60)

But when they reached their meeting-place, they forgot their fish which quickly burrowed its way into the sea. (18:61)

He (Musa's servant) said, 'Do you see what has happened? When we went to find shelter at the rock, I forgot the fish. No one made me forget to remember it except Satan. It found its way into the sea in an amazing way.' (18:63)

(He said to Musa,) 'As for the boat, it belonged to some poor people who worked on the sea. I wanted to damage it because a king was coming behind them, commandeering every boat.' (18:79)

Say: 'If all the sea was ink to write down the Words of my Lord, it would run out long before the Words of my Lord ran out,' even if We were to bring the same amount of ink again. (18:109)

He (Allah) said, 'Your request has been granted, Musa. We were gracious to you another time when We revealed to your mother: "Place him into the box and throw it into the sea and the sea will wash it up on the shore, where an enemy of Mine and his will pick it up." I showered you with love from Me so that you would be brought up under My supervision.' (20:36-39)

We revealed to Musa, 'Travel with My servants by night. Strike a dry path for them through the sea. Have no fear of being overtaken and do not be afraid.' (20:77)

Pharaoh pursued them with his troops and the sea overwhelmed them utterly. (20:78)

He (Musa) said, 'Go! In this world you will have to say, "Untouchable!" And you have an appointment which you will not fail to keep. Look at

your god to which you devoted so much time. We will burn it up and then scatter it as dust into the sea. (20:97)

Do you not see that Allah has made everything on the earth subservient to you and the ships running upon the sea by His command? He holds back the heaven, preventing it from falling to the earth—except by His permission. Allah is All-Compassionate to mankind, Most Merciful. (22:65)

Or they (the actions of disbelievers) are like the darkness of a fathomless sea which is covered by waves above which are waves above which are clouds, layers of darkness, one upon the other. If he puts out his hand, he can scarcely see it. Those Allah gives no light to, they have no light. (24:40)

It is He Who has unloosed both seas—the one sweet and refreshing, the other salty and bitter—and put a dividing line between them, an uncrossable barrier. (25:53)

So We revealed to Musa, ‘Strike the sea with your staff.’ And it split in two, each part like a towering cliff. (26:63)

He Who made the earth a stable dwelling place and appointed rivers flowing through its midst and placed firmly embedded mountains on it and set a barrier between the two seas. Is there another god besides Allah? No indeed, but most of them do not know it! (27:61)

He Who guides you in the darkness of land and sea and sends out the winds bringing advance news of His mercy. Is there another god besides Allah? May Allah be exalted above what they associate with Him! (27:63)

We revealed to Musa’s mother, ‘Suckle him and then when you fear for him cast him into the sea. Do not fear or grieve; We will return him to you and make him one of the Messengers.’ (28:7) So We seized him (Pharaoh) and his troops and flung them into the sea. See the final fate of the wrongdoers! (28:40)

Corruption has appeared in both land and sea because of what people’s own hands have brought about so that they may taste something of what they have done so that hopefully they will turn back. (30:41)

If all the trees on earth were pens and all the sea, with seven more seas besides, was ink Allah’s words still would not run dry. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (31:27)

Do you not see that ships sail on the sea by Allah’s blessing so that He can show you something of His Signs? There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast and thankful. (31:31)

The two seas are not the same: the one is sweet, refreshing, delicious to drink, the other salty, bitter to the taste. Yet from both of them you eat fresh flesh and extract ornaments for yourselves to wear; and you see ships on them, cleaving through the waves so that you can seek His bounty and so that hopefully you will be thankful. (35:12)

Among His Signs are the tall ships sailing like mountains through the sea. (42:32)

(It was revealed to Musa,) ‘Leave the sea divided as it is. They are an army who will be drowned.’ (44:24)

It is Allah Who has made the sea subservient to you so that the ships sail on it at His command, enabling you to seek His bounty, so that hopefully you will be thankful. (45:12)

So We seized him (Pharaoh) and his armies and hurled them into the sea, and he was to blame. (51:40)

He has let loose the two seas, converging together, with a barrier between them; they do not break through. (55:19-20)

His, too, are the ships sailing like mountain peaks on the sea. (55:24)

When the seas flood and overflow, (82:3)

## SECRET

Do they not know that Allah knows what they keep secret and what they make public? (2:77) There is no good in much of their secret talk, except in the case of those who enjoin charity, or what is right, or putting things right between people. If anyone does that, seeking the pleasure of Allah, We will give him an immense reward. (4:114)

Yet you see those with sickness in their hearts rushing to them, saying, ‘We fear the wheel of

fate may turn against us.' But it may well be that Allah will bring about victory or some other contingency from Him. Then they will deeply regret their secret thoughts. (5:52)

He is Allah in the heavens and in the earth. He knows what you keep secret and what you make public and He knows what you earn. (6:3)

Do they not know that Allah knows their secrets and their private talk, and that Allah is the Knower of all unseen things? (9:78)

See how they wrap themselves round trying to conceal their feelings from Him! No, indeed! When they wrap their garments round themselves, He knows what they keep secret and what they make public. He knows what their hearts contain. (11:5)

It makes no difference whether you keep secret what you say or voice it out loud, whether you hide in the night or go out in the day. (13:10) Allah knows what you keep secret and what you make public. (16:19)

There is no doubt that Allah knows what they keep secret and what they make public. He does not love people puffed up with pride. (16:23)

Though you speak out loud, He knows your secrets and what is even more concealed. (20:7)

Say: 'The One Who sent it down is He Who knows all hidden secrets in the heavens and earth. He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' (25:6) So do not let their words distress you. We know what they keep secret and what they divulge. (36:76)

Or do they imagine that We do not hear their secrets and their private talk? On the contrary Our messengers are right there with them writing it down! (43:80)

That is because they said to those who hate what Allah has sent down, 'We will obey you in part of the affair.' But Allah knows their secrets. (47:26)

He knows everything in the heavens and earth. He knows what you keep secret and what you divulge. Allah knows what the heart contains. (64:4)

Whether you keep your words secret or say them out loud He knows what the heart contains. (67:13)

On the Day when the secrets are sought out. (86:9)

## SECURITY

Then He sent down to you, after the distress, security, restful sleep overtaking a group of you, whereas another group became prey to anxious thoughts, thinking other than the truth about Allah—thoughts belonging to the Time of Ignorance—saying, 'Do we have any say in the affair at all?' Say, 'The affair belongs entirely to Allah.' They are concealing things inside themselves which they do not disclose to you, saying, 'If we had only had a say in the affair, none of us would have been killed here in this place.' Say, 'Even if you had been inside your homes, those people for whom killing was decreed would have gone out to their place of death.' So that Allah might test what is in your breasts and purge what is in your hearts. Allah knows the contents of your hearts. (3:154)

Do the people of the cities feel secure against Our violent force coming down on them in the night while they are asleep? (7:97)

Or do the people of the cities feel secure against Our violent force coming down on them in the day while they are playing games? (7:98)

Do they feel secure against Allah's devising? No one feels secure against Allah's devising except for those who are lost. (7:99)

And when He overcame you with sleep, making you feel secure, and sent you down water from heaven to purify you and remove the taint of Satan from you, and to fortify your hearts and make your feet firm. (8:11)

Do they feel secure that the all-enveloping punishment of Allah will not come upon them, or that the Last Hour will not come upon them all of a sudden when they least expect it? (12:107)

Those who guard against evil will be amid Gardens and Springs: 'Enter them in peace, in complete security!' (15:45-46)

Do those who plot evil actions feel secure that Allah will not cause the earth to swallow them up or that a punishment will not come upon them from where they least expect? (16:45)

Do you feel secure against Him causing the shore to swallow you up or sending against you a sudden squall of stones? Then you will find no one to be your guardian. (17:68)

Or do you feel secure against Him taking you back into it another time and sending a violent storm against you and drowning you for your ingratitude? Then you will find no one to defend you against Us. (17:69)

Allah has promised those of you who believe and do right actions that He will make them successors in the land as He made those before them successors, and will firmly establish for them their religion with which He is pleased and give them, in place of their fear, security. 'They worship Me, not associating anything with Me.' Any who disbelieve after that, such people are deviators. (24:55) (Salih said to his people,) 'Are you going to be left secure amid what is here?' (26:146)

(Allah said,) 'Throw down your staff!' Then when he saw it slithering like a snake he turned and fled and did not turn back again. 'Musa, approach and have no fear! You are one of those who are secure.' (28:31)

They will call there for fruit of every kind, in complete security. (44:55)

Do you feel secure against Him Who is in heaven causing the earth to swallow you up when suddenly it rocks from side to side? (67:16)

Or do you feel secure against Him Who is in heaven releasing against you a sudden squall of stones, so that you will know how true My warning was? (67:17)

## SEED

The keys of the Unseen are in His possession. No one knows them but Him. He knows everything in the land and sea. No leaf falls without His knowing it. There is no seed in the darkness of the earth, and nothing moist or dry which is not in a Clear Book. (6:59)

Allah is He Who splits the seed and kernel. He brings forth the living from the dead, and produces the dead out of the living. That is Allah, so how are you perverted? (6:95)

It is He Who sends down water from the sky from which We bring forth growth of every kind, and from that We bring forth the green shoots and from them We bring forth close-packed seeds, and from the spathes of the date palm date clusters hanging down, and gardens of grapes and

olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Look at their fruits as they bear fruit and ripen. There are Signs in that for people who believe. (6:99)

We will set up the Just Balance on the Day of Rising and no self will be wronged in any way. Even if it is no more than the weight of a grain of mustard-seed, We will produce it. We are sufficient as a Reckoner. (21:47)

(Luqman said,) 'My son, even if something weighs as little as a mustard-seed and is inside a rock or anywhere else in the heavens or earth, Allah will bring it out. Allah is All-Pervading, All-Aware.' (31:16)

He Who has created all things in the best possible way. He commenced the creation of man from clay; then produced his seed from an extract of base fluid. (32:7-8)

Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and those who are with him are fierce to the disbelievers, merciful to one another. You see them bowing and prostrating, seeking Allah's good favour and His pleasure. Their mark is on their faces, the traces of prostration. That is their likeness in the Torah. And their likeness in the Gospel is that of a seed which puts up a shoot and makes it strong so that it thickens and grows up straight upon its stalk, filling the sowers with delight--so that by them He may infuriate the disbelievers. Allah has promised those of them who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (48:29)

(I swear) by Heaven with its cyclical systems and the earth with its splitting seeds, it is truly a Decisive Word. (86:11-13)

## SELF (NAFS)

And when Musa said to his people, 'My people, You wronged yourselves by adopting the Calf so turn towards your Maker and kill yourselves. That is the best thing for you in your Maker's sight.' And He turned towards you. He is the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful. (2:54)

And We shaded you with clouds and sent down manna and quails to you: 'Eat of the good things We have provided for you.' They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they were wronging. (2:57)

What an evil thing they have sold themselves for in rejecting what Allah has sent down, outraged that Allah should send down His favour on whichever of His servants He wills. They have brought down anger upon anger on themselves. The disbelievers will have a humiliating punishment. (2:90)

They follow what the Satans recited in the reign of Sulayman. Sulayman did not disbelieve, but the Satans did, teaching people sorcery and what had been sent down to Harut and Marut, the two angels in Babylon, who taught no one without first saying to him, 'We are merely a trial and temptation, so do not disbelieve.' People learned from them how to separate a man and his wife but they cannot harm anyone by it, except with Allah's permission. They have learned what will harm them and will not benefit them. They know that any who deal in it will have no share in the hereafter. What an evil thing they have sold themselves for if they only knew! (2:102)

Many of the People of the Book would love it if they could turn you back to disbelief after you have become believers, showing their innate envy now that the truth is clear to them. But you should pardon and overlook until Allah gives His command. Truly Allah has power over all things. (2:109)

On the night of the fast it is lawful for you to have sexual relations with your wives. They are clothing for you and you for them. Allah knows that you have been betraying yourselves and He has turned towards you and excused you. Now you may have sexual intercourse with them and seek what Allah has written for you. Eat and drink until you can clearly discern the white thread from the black thread of the dawn, then fulfil the fast until the night appears. But do not have sexual intercourse with them while you are in retreat in the mosques. These are Allah's limits, so do not go near them. In this way does Allah make His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (2:187)

A group of the People of the Book would love to misguide you. They only misguide themselves but they are not aware of it. (3:69)

The metaphor of what they spend in their life in

this world is that of a wind with an icy bite to it which strikes the crops of a people who have wronged themselves and destroys them. Allah did not wrong them; rather it was themselves they were wronging. (3:117)

(Believers are) those who, when they act indecently or wrong themselves, remember Allah and ask forgiveness for their bad actions (and who can forgive bad actions except Allah?) and do not knowingly persist in what they were doing. (3:135)

No self can die except with Allah's permission, at a predetermined time. If anyone desires the reward of this world, We will give him some of it. If anyone desires the reward of the hereafter, We will give him some of it. We will recompense the thankful. (3:145)

It is not for any prophet to be false to his trust. Those who are false will arrive on the Day of Rising with what they have misappropriated. Then every self will be paid in full for what it earned. They will not be wronged. (3:161)

Every self will taste death. You will be paid your wages in full on the Day of Rising. Anyone who is distanced from the Fire and admitted to the Garden has triumphed. The life of this world is just the enjoyment of delusion. (3:185)

O mankind! Have fear of your Lord Who created you from a single self and created its mate from it and then disseminated many men and women from the two of them. Have fear of Allah in Whose name you make demands on one another and also in respect of your families. Allah watches over you continually. (4:1)

You who believe! Do not consume one another's property by false means, but only by means of mutually agreed trade. And do not kill yourselves. Allah is Most Merciful to you. (4:29)

We sent no Messenger except to be obeyed by Allah's permission. If only when they wronged themselves they had come to you and asked Allah's forgiveness and the Messenger had asked forgiveness for them they would have found Allah Ever-Returning, Most Merciful. (4:64)

The angels ask those they take while they are wronging themselves, 'What were your circumstances?' They reply, 'We were oppressed on

earth.' They say, 'Was Allah's earth not wide enough for you to have migrated elsewhere in it?' The shelter of such people will be Hell. What an evil destination! (4:97)

Do not argue on behalf of those who betray themselves. Allah does not love any evildoing traitors. (4:107)

Were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, a group of them would almost have managed to mislead you. But they mislead no one but themselves and do not harm you in any way. Allah has sent down the Book and Wisdom to you and taught you what you did not know before. Allah's favour to you is indeed immense. (4:113)

We made a covenant with the tribe of Israel and We sent Messengers to them. Each time a Messenger came to them with something their lower selves did not desire, they denied some and they murdered others. (5:70)

You see many of them taking those who disbelieve as their friends. What their lower selves have advanced for them is evil indeed, bringing Allah's anger down upon them. They will suffer punishment timelessly, for ever. (5:80)

You who believe! You are only responsible for yourselves. The misguided cannot harm you as long as you are guided. All of you will return to Allah and He will inform you about what you were doing. (5:105)

Say: 'To whom does everything in the heavens and earth belong?' Say: 'To Allah.' He has made mercy incumbent on Himself. He will gather you to the Day of Rising about which there is no doubt. As for those who have lost their own selves, they have no faith. (6:12)

They keep others from it and avoid it themselves. They are only destroying themselves but they are not aware of it. (6:26)

It is He Who first produced you from a single self, then from a resting-place and a repository. We have made the Signs clear for people who understand. (6:98)

Company of jinn and men! Did not Messengers come to you from among yourselves relating My Signs to you and warning you of the encounter of this Day of yours? They will say, 'We testify

against ourselves.' The life of this world deluded them and they will testify against themselves that they were disbelievers. (6:130)

Say: 'Am I to desire other than Allah as Lord when He is the Lord of all things?' What each self earns is for itself alone. No burden-bearer can bear another's burden. Then you will return to your Lord, and He will inform you regarding the things about which you differed. (6:164)

As for those whose scales are light, they are the ones who have lost their own selves because they wrongfully rejected Our Signs. (7:9)

They said, 'Our Lord, we have wronged ourselves. If you do not forgive us and have mercy on us, we will be among the lost.' (7:23)

We divided them up into twelve tribes-communities. We revealed to Musa, when his people asked him for water: 'Strike the rock with your staff.' Twelve fountains flowed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. And We shaded them with clouds and sent down manna and quails to them: 'Eat of the good things We have provided you with.' They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they wronged. (7:160)

When your Lord took out all their descendants from the loins of the children of Adam and made them testify against themselves 'Am I not your Lord?' they said, 'We testify that indeed You are!' Lest you say on the Day of Rising, 'We knew nothing of this.' (7:172)

How evil is the metaphor of those who deny Our Signs. It is themselves that they have badly wronged. (7:177)

It is He Who created you from a single self and made from him his spouse so that he might find repose in her. Then when he covered her she bore a light load and carried it around. Then when it became heavy they called on Allah, their Lord, 'If You grant us a healthy child, we will be among the thankful!' (7:189)

Do they make things into partner-gods which cannot create anything and are themselves created; which are not capable of helping them and cannot even help themselves? (7:191-192)

If it had been a case of easy gains and a short journey, they would have followed you, but the distance was too great for them. They will swear

by Allah: 'Had we been able to, we would have gone out with you.' They are destroying their own selves. Allah knows that they are lying. (9:42)

Has the news of those who came before them not reached them, the people of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud, and the people of Ibrahim and the inhabitants of Madyan and the overturned cities? Their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (9:70)

And (He turned) also towards the three who were left behind, so that when the earth became narrow for them, for all its great breadth, and their own selves became constricted for them and they realised that there was no refuge from Allah except in Him, He turned to them so that they might turn to Him. Allah is the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful. (9:118)

It was not for people of Madina, and the desert arabs around them, to remain behind the Messenger of Allah nor to prefer themselves to him. That is because no thirst or weariness or hunger will afflict them in the Way of Allah, nor will they take a single step to infuriate the disbelievers, nor secure any gain from the enemy, without a right action being written down for them because of it. Allah does not let the wage of the good-doers go to waste. (9:120)

Then and there every self will be tried for what it did before. They will be returned to Allah, their Master, the Real, and what they invented will abandon them. (10:30)

Allah does not wrong people in any way; rather it is people who wrong themselves. (10:44)

If every self that did wrong possessed everything on earth, it would offer it as a ransom. They will show remorse when they see the punishment. Everything will be decided between them justly. They will not be wronged. (10:54)

We did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. The gods they called upon besides Allah did not help them at all when Allah's command came upon them. They did nothing but increase their ruin. (11:101)

(Yusuf said,) 'I do not say my self was free from blame. The self indeed commands to evil

acts—except for those my Lord has mercy on. My Lord, He is Forgiving, Merciful.' (12:53)

Everyone has a succession of angels in front of him and behind him, guarding him by Allah's command. Allah never changes a people's state until they change what is in themselves. When Allah desires evil for a people, there is no averting it. They have no protector apart from Him. (13:11)

Warn mankind of the Day when the punishment will reach them. Those who did wrong will say, 'Our Lord, reprieve us for a short time. We will respond to Your call and follow the Messengers.' 'But did you not swear to Me before that you would never meet your downfall, even though you inhabited the houses of those who had wronged themselves and it was made clear to you how We had dealt with them and We gave you many examples?' (14:44-45)

As for those the angels take in death while they are wronging themselves, they will offer their submission: 'We did not do any evil.' Oh yes you did! Allah knows what you were doing. (16:28) What are they waiting for but the angels to come to them or your Lord's command to come? That is like what those before them did. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (16:33)

Allah has given you wives from among yourselves, and given you children and grandchildren from your wives, and provided good things for you. So why do they believe in falsehood and reject the blessings of Allah? (16:72)

On that Day We will raise up among every community a witness against them from amongst themselves, and bring you as a witness against them. We have sent down the Book to you making all things clear and as guidance and mercy and good news for the Muslims. (16:89)

We forbade the Jews those things We told you about before. We did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (16:118)

Every self will taste death. We test you with both good and evil as a trial. And you will be returned to Us. (21:35)

Or do they have gods besides Us who will protect them? They cannot even help themselves!

They will not be safe from Us. (21:43)  
We will set up the Just Balance on the Day of Rising and no self will be wronged in any way. Even if it is no more than the weight of a grain of mustard-seed, We will produce it. We are sufficient as a Reckoner. (21:47)

They will not hear the slightest hint of it and they will remain there timelessly, for ever, among everything their selves desire. (21:102)

Those whose scales are light, they are the losers of their selves, remaining in Hell timelessly, for ever. (23:103)

But they have adopted gods apart from Him which do not create anything but are themselves created. They have no power to harm or help themselves. They have no power over death or life or resurrection. (25:3)

Those who do not expect to meet Us say, 'Why have angels not been sent down to us? Why do we not see our Lord?' They have become arrogant about themselves and are excessively insolent. (25:21)

We seized each one of them for their wrong actions. Against some We sent a sudden squall of stones; some of them were seized by the Great Blast; some We caused the earth to swallow up; and some We drowned. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (29:40)  
Every self will taste death. Then you will be returned to Us. (29:57)

Have they not reflected within themselves? Allah did not create the heavens and the earth and everything between them except with truth and for a fixed term. Yet many people reject the meeting with their Lord. (30:8)

Have they not travelled in the earth and seen the final fate of those before them? They had greater strength than them and cultivated the land and inhabited it in far greater numbers than they do. Their Messengers also came to them with the Clear Signs. Allah would never have wronged them; but they wronged themselves. (30:9)

He has made an example for you from among yourselves. Are any of the slaves you own partners with you in what We have provided for you so that you are equal in respect of it, you fearing them the same as one another? In that way We

make Our Signs clear for people who use their intellect. (30:28)

No self knows the delight that is hidden away for it in recompense for what it used to do. (32:17)

The Prophet is closer to the believers than their own selves, and his wives are their mothers. But blood-relations have closer ties to one another in the Book of Allah than other believers and the emigrants, except that you should act in a proper manner towards your close associates. That is inscribed in the Book. (33:6)

They said, 'Our Lord, put more distance between our staging posts.' They wronged themselves so We made legends of them and scattered them without a trace. There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast and thankful. (34:19)

Glory be to Him Who created all the pairs: from what the earth produces and from themselves and from things unknown to them. (36:36)

He created you from a single self, then produced its mate from it, and sent down livestock to you—eight kinds in pairs. He creates you stage by stage in your mothers' wombs in a threefold darkness. That is Allah, your Lord. Sovereignty is His. There is no god but Him. So what has made you deviate? (39:6)

Those who disbelieved will be addressed: 'Allah's hatred of you, when you were called to faith but then chose disbelief, is even greater than your hatred of yourselves.' (40:10)

Every self will be repaid today for what it earned. Today there will be no injustice. Allah is swift at reckoning. (40:17)

We are your protectors in the life of this world and the hereafter. You will have there all that your selves could wish for. You will have there everything you demand. (41:31)

We will show them Our Signs on the horizon and within themselves until it is clear to them that it is the truth. Is it not enough for your Lord that He is a witness of everything? (41:53)

(He is) the Bringer into Being of the heavens and the earth: He has given you mates from among yourselves, and given mates to the livestock, in that way multiplying you. Nothing is like Him. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Seeing. (42:11)

You will see them as they are exposed to it, abject in their abasement, glancing around them furtively. Those who believe will say, 'Truly the losers are those who lose themselves and their families on the Day of Rising.' The wrongdoers are in an everlasting punishment. (42:45)

Allah created the heavens and earth with truth so that every self might be repaid for what it earned and they will not be wronged. (45:22)

You who believe! People should not ridicule others who may be better than themselves; nor should any women ridicule other women who may be better than themselves. And do not find fault with one another or insult each other with derogatory nicknames. How evil it is to have a name for evil conduct after coming to faith! Those people who do not turn from it are wrongdoers. (49:11)

(On that Day) every self will come together with a driver and a witness. (50:21)

There are certainly Signs in the earth for people with certainty; and in yourselves as well. Do you not then see? (51:20-21)

They are nothing but names which you yourselves have given, you and your forefathers. Allah has sent down no authority for them. They are following nothing but conjecture and what their own selves desire. And that when guidance has reached them from their Lord! (53:23)

Nothing occurs, either in the earth or in yourselves, without its being in a Book before We make it happen. That is something easy for Allah. (57:22)

Those who were already settled in the abode, and in faith, before they came, love those who have migrated to them and do not find in their hearts any need for what they have been given and prefer them to themselves even if they themselves are needy. It is the people who are safeguarded from the avarice of their own selves who are successful. (59:9)

Do not be like those who forgot Allah so He made them forget themselves. Such people are the deviators. (59:19)

Your Lord knows that you stay up nearly two-thirds of the night—or half of it, or a third of it—and a group of those with you. Allah determines the

night and day. He knows you will not keep count of it, so He has turned towards you. Recite as much of the Qur'an as is easy for you. He knows that some of you are ill and that others are travelling in the land seeking Allah's bounty, and that others are fighting in the Way of Allah. So recite as much of it as is easy for you. And perform prayer and give the alms and lend a generous loan to Allah. Whatever good you send ahead for yourselves you will find it with Allah as something better and as a greater reward. And seek forgiveness from Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (73:20)

Every self is held in pledge against what it earned. (74:38)

When the selves are arranged into classes... (81:7)

Then each self will know what it has done. (81:14)

Each self will know what it has sent ahead and left behind. (82:5)

There is no self which has no guardian over it. (86:4)

'O self at rest and at peace,' (89:27)

We gave Musa the Book and sent a succession of Messengers after him. We gave 'Isa, son of Maryam, the Clear Signs and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. Why then, whenever a Messenger came to you with something your lower selves did not desire, did you grow arrogant, and deny some of them and murder others? (2:87)

Who would deliberately renounce the religion of Ibrahim except someone who reveals himself to be a fool? We chose him in this world and in the hereafter he will be one of the righteous. (2:130)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, then either retain them with correctness and courtesy or release them with correctness and courtesy. Do not retain them by force, thus overstepping the limits. Anyone who does that has wronged himself. Do not make a mockery of Allah's Signs. Remember Allah's blessing to you and the Book and Wisdom He has sent down to you to admonish you. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:231)

Allah does not impose on any self any more than it can stand. For it is what it has earned; against it, what it has brought upon itself. ‘Our Lord, do not take us to task if we forget or make a mistake! Our Lord, do not place on us a load like the one You placed on those before us! Our Lord, do not place on us a load we have not the strength to bear! And pardon us; and forgive us; and have mercy on us. You are our Master, so help us against the people of the disbelievers.’ (2:286) But how will it be when We gather them all together for a Day about which there is no doubt? Every self will be paid in full for what it earned. They will not be wronged. (3:25)

On the Day that each self finds the good it did, and the evil it did, present there in front of it, it will wish there were an age between it and then. Allah advises you to beware of Him. Allah is Ever-Gentle with His servants. (3:30)

Anyone who does evil or wrongs himself and then asks Allah’s forgiveness will find Allah Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:110)

So his lower self persuaded him to kill his brother, and he killed him and became one of the lost. (5:30)

And that you do not go near the property of orphans before they reach maturity—except in a good way; that you give full measure and full weight with justice—We impose on no self any more than it can bear; that you are equitable when you speak—even if a near relative is concerned; and that you fulfil Allah’s contract. That is what He instructs you to do, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (6:152)

They then produced his shirt with false blood on it. He (Ya’qub) said, ‘It is merely that your lower selves have suggested something to you which you did; but beauty lies in showing steadfastness. It is Allah alone Who is my Help in face of the event that you describe.’ (12:18)

He said, ‘It’s merely that your lower selves suggested something to you which you did. But beauty lies in having steadfastness. Perhaps Allah will bring them all together. He is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise.’ (12:83)

What then of Him Who is standing over every self seeing everything it does? Yet still they asso-

ciate others with Allah! Say: ‘Name them! Or would you inform Him of something in the earth He does not know, or are they words which are simply guesswork on your part?’ However, the plotting of those who disbelieve seems good to them and they bar the way. Anyone misguided by Allah has no guide. (13:33)

Those before them plotted but all plotting belongs to Allah. He knows what each self earns, and the disbelievers will soon know who has the Ultimate Abode. (13:42)

So that Allah may repay every self for what it earned. Allah is swift at reckoning. (14:51)

On that Day every self will come to argue for itself and every self will be paid in full for what it did. They will not be wronged. (16:111)

‘Read your Book! Today your own self is reckoner enough against you!’ (17:14)

He entered his garden and wronged himself by saying, ‘I do not think that this will ever end.’ (18:35)

He (Samaritan) said, ‘I saw what they did not see. So I gathered up a handful from the Messenger’s footprints and threw it in. That is what my inner self urged me to do.’ (20:96)

He (Musa) said, ‘My Lord, I have wronged myself. Forgive me.’ So He forgave him. He is the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful. (28:16)

Whoever strives does it entirely for himself. Allah is Rich Beyond Need of any being. (29:6)

When you said to him whom Allah has blessed and you yourself have greatly favoured, ‘Keep your wife to yourself and have fear of Allah,’ while concealing something in yourself which Allah wished to bring to light, you were fearing people when Allah has more right to your fear. Then when Zayd divorced her We married her to you so that there should be no restriction for the believers regarding the wives of their adopted sons when they have divorced them. Allah’s command is always carried out. (33:37)

And what of him the evil of whose actions appears fine to him so that he sees them as good? Allah misguides whoever He wills and guides whoever He wills. So do not let yourself waste away out of regret for them. Allah knows what they do. (35:8)

No burden-bearer can bear another's burden. If someone weighed down calls for help to bear his load, none of it will be borne for him, even by his next of kin. You can only warn those who fear their Lord in the Unseen and perform prayer. Whoever is purified, is purified for himself alone. Allah is your final destination. (35:18)

Then We made Our chosen servants inherit the Book. But some of them wrong themselves; some are ambivalent; and some outdo each other in good by Allah's permission. That is the great favour. (35:32)

We showered blessings upon him and upon Ishaq. Among their descendants are good-doers and also people who clearly wrong themselves. (37:113)

Every self will be repaid in full for what it did. He knows best what they are doing. (39:70)

Here you are then: people who are called upon to spend in the Way of Allah and then some of you are tight-fisted! But whoever is tight-fisted is only tight-fisted to himself. Allah is Rich and you are poor. If you turn away, He will replace you with a people other than yourselves and they will not be like you. (47:38)

We created man and We know what his own self whispers to him. We are nearer to him than his jugular vein. (50:16)

So have fear of Allah, as much as you are able to, and listen and obey and spend for your own benefit. It is the people who are safe-guarded from the avarice of their own selves who are successful. (64:16)

O Prophet! When any of you divorce women, divorce them during their period of purity and calculate their waiting period carefully. And have fear of Allah, your Lord. Do not evict them from their homes, nor should they leave, unless they commit an outright indecency. Those are Allah's limits, and anyone who oversteps Allah's limits has wronged himself. You never know, it may well be that after that Allah will cause a new situation to develop. (65:1)

He who has plenty should spend out from his plenty, but he whose provision is restricted should spend from what Allah has given him. Allah does not demand from any self more than

He has given it. Allah will appoint after difficulty, ease. (65:7)

No! I swear by the self-reproaching self. (75:2)  
In fact, man will be clear proof against himself. (75:14)

But as for him who feared the Station of his Lord and forbade the lower self its appetites, the Garden will be his refuge. (79:40-41)

It is the Day when a self will have no power to help any other self in any way. The command that Day will be Allah's alone. (82:19)

And (I swear by) the self and what proportioned it, (91:7)

## **SELFISH**

If a woman fears cruelty or aversion on her husband's part, there is nothing wrong in the couple becoming reconciled. Reconciliation is better. But people are prone to selfish greed. If you do good and guard against evil, Allah is aware of what you do. (4:128)

## **SELF-SUFFICIENT**

Whoever strives does it entirely for himself. Allah is Rich Beyond Need of any being. (29:6)

That is because their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs but they said, 'Are human beings going to guide us?' So they disbelieved and turned away. But Allah is completely independent of them. Allah is Rich Beyond Need, Praiseworthy. (64:6)

As for him who thinks himself self-sufficient, you give him your complete attention, but it is not up to you whether or not he is purified. (80:5-7)

No indeed! Truly man is unbridled, seeing himself as self-sufficient. (96:6-7)

## **SERENITY**

Their Prophet said to them, 'The sign of his kingship is that the Ark will come to you, containing serenity from your Lord and certain relics left by the families of Musa and Harun. It will be borne by angels. There is a sign for you in that if you are believers.' (2:248)

Then Allah sent down His serenity on His Messenger and on the believers, and sent down troops you could not see, and punished those

who disbelieved. That is how the disbelievers are repaid. (9:26)

If you do not help him, Allah did help him when those who disbelieved drove him out and there were two of them in the Cave. He said to his companion, 'Do not be despondent, Allah is with us.' Then Allah sent down His serenity upon him and reinforced him with troops you could not see. He made the word of those who disbelieved undermost. It is the word of Allah which is uppermost. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:40) It is He Who sent down serenity into the hearts of the believers thereby increasing their faith with more faith—the legions of the heavens and the earth belong to Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (48:4)

Allah was pleased with the believers when they pledged allegiance to you under the tree. He knew what was in their hearts, and sent down serenity to them and has rewarded them with an imminent victory. (48:18)

Those who disbelieve filled their hearts with fanatical rage—the fanatical rage of the Time of Ignorance—and Allah sent down serenity to His Messenger and to the believers, and bound them to the expression of heedfulness which they had most right to and were most entitled to. Allah has knowledge of all things. (48:26)

### **SEXUALLY PERVERTED**

(Lut said to his people,) 'Of all beings, do you lie with males, leaving the wives Allah has created for you? You are a people who have overstepped the limits.' They said, 'Lut, if you do not desist you will be expelled.' (26:165-167)

And when Lut said to his people: 'Do you approach depravity with open eyes? Do you come with lust to men instead of women? You are a people who are deeply ignorant' the only response of his people was to say: 'Drive the the family of Lut out of your city! They are people who keep themselves pure!' (27:54-56)

When Lut said to his people, 'You are committing an obscenity not perpetrated before you by anyone in all the worlds. Do you lie with men and waylay them on the road and commit depravities within your gatherings?' the only answer of his

people was to say, 'Bring us Allah's punishment if you are telling the truth.' (29:28-29)

### **SHADE - SHADOW**

And We shaded you with clouds and sent down manna and quails to you: 'Eat of the good things We have provided for you.' They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they were wronging. (2:57)

What are they waiting for but for Allah to come to them in the shadows of the clouds, together with the angels, in which case the matter will have been settled? All matters return to Allah. (2:210)

But as for those who believe and do right actions, We will admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. In them they will have spouses of perfect purity and We will admit them into cool, refreshing shade. (4:57)

We divided them up into twelve tribes—communities. We revealed to Musa, when his people asked him for water: 'Strike the rock with your staff.' Twelve fountains flowed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. And We shaded them with clouds and sent down manna and quails to them: 'Eat of the good things We have provided you with.' They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they wronged. (7:160)

Everyone in heaven and earth prostrates to Allah willingly or unwillingly, as do their shadows in the morning and the evening. (13:15)

What is the Garden promised to those who guard against evil like? It has rivers flowing under it and its foodstuffs and cool shade never fail. That is the final fate of those who guard against evil. But the final fate of the disbelievers is the Fire. (13:35)

Do they not see the things Allah has created, casting their shadows to the right and to the left, prostrating themselves before Allah in complete humility? (16:48)

Allah has made shaded places for you in what He has created and He has made shelters for you in the mountains and He has made shirts for you to protect you from the heat and shirts to protect you from each other's violence. In that way He

perfects His blessing on you so that hopefully you will become Muslims. (16:81)

Do you not see how your Lord stretches out shadows? If He had wished He could have made them stationary. Then We appoint the sun to be the pointer to them. (25:45)

They denied him and the punishment of the Day of Shadow came down on them. It was indeed the punishment of a terrible Day. (26:189)

So he (Musa) drew water for them and then withdrew into the shade and said, 'My Lord, I am truly in need of any good You have in store for me.' (28:24)

The blind and seeing are not the same nor are darkness and light nor are cool shade and fierce heat. (35:19-21)

Do you not see that Allah sends down water from the sky and by it We bring forth fruits of varying colours? And in the mountains there are streaks of white and red, of varying shades, and rocks of deep jet black. (35:27)

The Companions of the Garden are busy enjoying themselves today, they and their wives reclining on couches in the shade. (36:55-56)

For those who fear the Station of their Lord there are two Gardens. So which of your Lord's blessings do you both then deny? Shaded by spreading branches. (55:46-48)

And (the Companions of the Right are amid wide-spreading shade. (56:30)

Its shading branches will droop down over them, its ripe fruit hanging ready to be picked. (76:14) (Deniers!) Proceed to a shadow which forks into three but gives no shade or protection from the flames. (77:30-31)

The heedful will be amid shade and fountains. (77:41)

## SHARE

When you have completed your rites, remember Allah as you used to remember your forefathers—or even more. There are some people who say, 'Our Lord, give us good in this world.' They will have no share in the hereafter. (2:200)

They will have a good share from what they have earned. Allah is swift at reckoning. (2:202)

They say, 'What is in the wombs of these animals

is exclusively for our men and forbidden for our wives. But if it is stillborn, they can share in it.' He will repay them for their false depiction. He is All-Wise, All-Knowing. (6:139)

(He said to Satan,) 'Stir up any of them you can with your voice and rally against them your cavalry and your infantry and share with them in their children and their wealth and make them promises! The promise of Satan is nothing but delusion.' (17:64)

(Musa said,) 'Strengthen my back by him and let him share in my task.' (20:31-32)

Say: 'Call on those you make claims for besides Allah. They have no power over even the smallest particle, either in the heavens or in the earth. They have no share in them. He has no need of their support.' (34:22)

If anyone desires to cultivate the hereafter, We will increase him in his cultivation. If anyone desires to cultivate this world, We will give him some of it but he will have no share in the hereafter. (42:20)

## SHATTERER

No indeed! He will be flung into the Shatterer. And what will convey to you what the Shatterer is? The kindled Fire of Allah reaching right into the heart. It is sealed in above them in towering columns. (104:4-9)

## SHAVE

Allah has confirmed His Messenger's vision with truth: 'You will enter the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) in safety, Allah willing, shaving your heads and cutting your hair without any fear.' He knew what you did not know and ordained, in place of this, an imminent victory. (48:27)

Perform the pilgrimage and the pious visit for Allah. If you are forcibly prevented, make whatever sacrifice is feasible. But do not shave your heads until the sacrificial animal has reached the place of sacrifice. If any of you are ill or have a head injury, the expiation is fasting or charity or sacrifice when you are safe and well again. And if you are secure, then he who takes advantage of a pious visit before the pilgrimage should make whatever sacrifice is feasible. For any one who

cannot, there is three days' fast on pilgrimage and seven on your return—that is ten in all. That is for anyone whose family does not live near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Have fear of Allah and know that Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:196)

## SHAYTAN (SEE SATAN)

### SHEBA

However, it was not long delayed, and then it (hoopoe) said, 'I have comprehended something you have not and bring you accurate intelligence from Sheba. I found a woman ruling over them who has been given everything. She possesses a mighty throne. I found both her and her people prostrating to the sun instead of Allah. Satan has made their actions seem good to them and debarred them from the Way so they are not guided and do not prostrate to Allah, Who brings out what is hidden in the heavens and the earth, and knows what you conceal and what you divulge. Allah—there is no god but Him—the Lord of the Mighty Throne.' (27:22-26)

He (Sulayman) said, 'We will soon see if you have told the truth or are a liar. Take this letter of mine and deliver it to them and then withdraw from them a little and see how they respond.' (27:27-28)

She said, 'Council! A noble letter has been delivered to me. It is from Sulayman and says: "In the name of Allah, All-Merciful, Most Merciful. Do not rise up against me, but come to me in submission." (27:29-31)

She said, 'Council! Give me your opinion about this matter. It is not my habit to make a final decision until I have heard what you have to say.' (27:32)

They said, 'We possess strength and we possess great force. But the matter is in your hands so consider what you command.' (27:33)

She said, 'When kings enter a city, they lay waste to it and make its mightiest inhabitants the most abased. That is what they too will do. I will send them a gift and then wait and see what the messengers bring back.' (27:34-35)

When it reached Sulayman he said, 'Would you

give me wealth when what Allah has given me is better than what He has given you? No, rather it is you who delight in your gift. Return to them. We will come to them with troops they cannot face and we will expel them from it abased and humiliated.' (27:36-37)

He said, 'Council! Who among you will bring me her throne before they come to me in submission?' (27:38)

A demon of the jinn said, 'I will bring it to you before you get up from your seat. I am strong and trustworthy enough to do it.' (27:39)

He who possessed knowledge of the Book said, 'I will bring it to you before your glance returns to you.' And when he saw it standing firmly in his presence, he said, 'This is part of my Lord's favour to test me to see if I will give thanks or show ingratitude. Whoever gives thanks only does so to his own gain. Whoever is ungrateful, my Lord is Rich Beyond Need, Generous.' (27:40)

He said, 'Disguise her throne. We shall see whether she is guided or someone who is not guided.' (27:41)

Then when she came, she was asked, 'Is your throne like this?' She said, 'It is exactly like it.' 'We were given knowledge before her and were already Muslims, but what she worshipped besides Allah impeded her. She was from an unbelieving people.' (27:42-43)

She was told: 'Enter the courtyard,' but when she saw it she supposed it to be a pool and bared her legs. He said, 'It is a courtyard paved with glass.' She said, 'My Lord, I have wronged myself but I have submitted with Sulayman to the Lord of all the worlds.' (27:44)

### SHEEP

There are eight in pairs: A pair of sheep and a pair of goats—Say: 'Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Tell me with knowledge if you are being truthful.' (6:143)

We made forbidden for the Jews every animal with an undivided hoof, and in respect of cattle and sheep, We made their fat forbidden for them, except what is attached to their backs or guts or

mixed up with bone. That is how We repaid them for their insolence. And We certainly speak the truth. (6:146)

He (Musa) said, 'It is my staff. I lean on it and beat down leaves for my sheep with it and have other uses for it.' (20:18)

And Dawud and Sulayman when they gave judgement about the field, when the people's sheep strayed into it at night. We were Witness to their judgement. (21:78)

(One of the two litigants said to Dawud,) 'This brother of mine has ninety-nine ewes and I have only one. He said, "Let me have charge of it," and got the better of me with his words.' He said, 'He has wronged you by asking for your ewe to add to his ewes. Truly many partners are unjust to one another—except those who believe and do right actions, and how few they are!' Dawud realised that We had put him to the test. He begged forgiveness from his Lord and fell down prone, prostrating, and repented. (38:23-24)

## SHEETS OF PAPER

They do not measure Allah with His true measure when they say, 'Allah would not send down anything to a mere human being.' Say: 'Who, then, sent down the Book which Musa brought as a Light and Guidance for the people?' You put it down on sheets of paper to display it while concealing much. You were taught things you did not know, neither you nor your forefathers. Say: 'Allah!' Then leave them engrossed in playing their games. (6:91)

## SHIP

In the creation of the heavens and earth, and the alternation of the night and day, and the ships which sail the seas to people's benefit, and the water which Allah sends down from the sky—by which He brings the earth to life when it was dead and scatters about in it creatures of every kind—and the varying direction of the winds, and the clouds subservient between heaven and earth, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (2:164)

Allah is He Who created the heavens and the earth and sends down water from the sky and by

it brings forth fruits as provision for you. He has made the ships subservient to you to run upon the sea by His command, and He has made the rivers subservient to you. (14:32)

It is He Who made the sea subservient to you so that you can eat fresh flesh from it and bring out from it ornaments to wear. And you see the ships cleaving through it so that you can seek His bounty, and so that hopefully you will show thanks. (16:14)

Your Lord is He Who propels the ships on the sea for you so that you may seek His bounty. He is indeed Most Merciful to you. (17:66)

Do you not see that Allah has made everything on the earth subservient to you and the ships running upon the sea by His command? He holds back the heaven, preventing it from falling to the earth—except by His permission. Allah is All-Compassionate to mankind, Most Merciful. (22:65)

And you are conveyed on them (your livestock) and on ships as well. (23:22)

We revealed to him (Nuh): 'Build the Ship under Our supervision and as We reveal. When Our command comes and water bubbles up from the earth, load into it a pair of every species, and your family—except for those among them against whom the word has already gone ahead. And do not address Me concerning those who do wrong. They shall be drowned.' (23:27)

When you and those with you are settled in the Ship, then say: "Praise be to Allah Who has rescued us from the people of the wrongdoers!" (23:28)

So We rescued him (Nuh) and those with him in the loaded ship. (26:119)

When they embark in ships, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His, but then when He delivers them safely to the land, they associate others with Him. (29:65)

Among His Signs is that He sends the winds bearing good news, to give you a taste of His mercy, and to make the ships run by His command, and to enable you to seek His bounty so that hopefully you will be thankful. (30:46)

Do you not see that ships sail on the sea by Allah's blessing so that He can show you some-

thing of His Signs? There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast and thankful. (31:31)

The two seas are not the same: the one is sweet, refreshing, delicious to drink, the other salty, bitter to the taste. Yet from both of them you eat fresh flesh and extract ornaments for yourselves to wear; and you see ships on them, cleaving through the waves so that you can seek His bounty and so that hopefully you will be thankful. (35:12)

A Sign for them is that We carried their families in the laden ship. (36:41)

When he (Yunus) ran away to the fully laden ship. (37:140)

You gain various benefits from them (livestock), and on them you can obtain what your hearts desire, and on them and on the ships you are transported. (40:80)

Among His Signs are the tall ships sailing like mountains through the sea. (42:32)

It is He Who created all the species and gave you ships and livestock for you to ride. (43:12)

It is Allah Who has made the sea subservient to you so that the ships sail on it at His command, enabling you to seek His bounty, so that hopefully you will be thankful. (45:12)

We bore him (Nuh) on a planked and well-caulked ship, which ran before Our eyes—a reward for him who had been rejected. (54:13-14)  
His, too, are the ships sailing like mountain peaks on the sea. (55:24)

When the waters rose We carried you in the ship. (69:11)

## **SHIRK (SEE ASSOCIATING PARTNERS WITH ALLAH)**

### **SHIRT**

They then produced his (Yusuf's) shirt with false blood on it. He (Yusuf's father) said, 'It is merely that your lower selves have suggested something to you which you did; but beauty lies in showing steadfastness. It is Allah alone Who is my Help in face of the event that you describe.' (12:18)

They raced to the door. She tore his (Yusuf's) shirt at the back. They met her husband by the door.

She said, 'How should a man whose intention was to harm your family be punished for what he did except with prison or painful punishment?' He (Yusuf) said, 'It was she who tried to seduce me.' A witness from her people then declared, 'If his shirt is torn in front, she speaks the truth and he has clearly told a shameless lie. If his shirt is torn at the back, then she has lied and he has clearly told the simple truth.' He saw the shirt torn at the back and said, 'The source of this is women's deviousness. Without a doubt your guile is very great.' (12:25-28)

(Yusuf said,) 'Go with this shirt of mine and cast it on my father's face and he will see again. Then come to me with all your families.' (12:93)

That Day you will see the evildoers yoked together in chains, wearing shirts of tar, their faces enveloped in the Fire. (14:49-50)

Allah has made shaded places for you in what He has created and He has made shelters for you in the mountains and He has made shirts for you to protect you from the heat and shirts to protect you from each other's violence. In that way He perfects His blessing on you so that hopefully you will become Muslims. (16:81)

(Allah said to Musa,) 'Put your hand inside your shirt front. It will emerge pure white, yet quite unharmed—one of nine Signs to Pharaoh and his people. They are a people of deviators.' (27:12)

(Allah said to Musa,) 'Put your hand inside your shirt front. It will emerge pure white yet quite unharmed. And hug your arms to your sides to still your fear. These are two proofs from your Lord for Pharaoh and his ruling circle. They are a deviant people.' (28:32)

### **SHOWING OFF**

You who believe! Do not nullify your charity by demands for gratitude or insulting words, like him who spends his wealth, showing off to people and not believing in Allah and the Last Day. His likeness is that of a smooth rock coated with soil, which, when heavy rain falls on it, is left stripped bare. They have no power over anything they have earned. Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (2:264)

As for those who are tight-fisted and direct others

to be tight-fisted, and hide the bounty Allah has given them, We have prepared a humiliating punishment for those who disbelieve, and also for those who spend their wealth to show off to people, not believing in Allah and the Last Day. Anyone who has made Satan his comrade, what an evil comrade he is! (4:37-38)

The hypocrites think they deceive Allah, but He is deceiving them. When they get up to pray, they get up lazily, showing off to people, and only remembering Allah a very little. (4:142) Do not be like those who left their homes in arrogance, showing off to people and barring them from the way of Allah—Allah encompasses what they do. (8:47)

So woe to those who perform prayer, and are forgetful of their prayer, those who show off. (107:4-6)

### **SHU'AYB (AS) AND MADYAN**

And to Madyan We sent their brother Shu'ayb who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. A Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord. Give full measure and full weight. Do not diminish people's goods. Do not cause corruption in the land after it has been put right. That is better for you if you are believers. Do not lie in wait on every pathway, threatening people, barring those who believe from the Way of Allah, seeking in it something crooked. Remember when you were few and He increased your number: see the final fate of the corrupters! There is a group of you who believe in what I have been sent with and a group who do not, so be steadfast until Allah judges between us. He is the best of judges.' The ruling circle of those of his people who were arrogant said, 'We will drive you out of our city, Shu'ayb, you and those who believe along with you, unless you return to our religion.' He said, 'What, even though we detest it? We would be inventing lies against Allah if we returned to your religion after Allah has saved us from it. We could never return to it unless Allah our Lord so willed. Our Lord encompasses everything in His knowledge. We have put our trust in Allah. Our Lord, judge between us and our people with truth. You are

the best of judges.' The ruling circle of those of his people who disbelieved said, 'If you follow Shu'ayb, you will definitely be lost.' So the earthquake seized them and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (7:85-91)

Has the news of those who came before them not reached them, the people of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud, and the people of Ibrahim and the inhabitants of Madyan and the overturned cities? Their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (9:70)

And (We have sent) to Madyan their brother Shu'ayb. He said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no god apart from Him. Do not give short measure and short weight. I see you prospering and I fear for you the punishment of an all-encompassing Day.' (11:84)

When Our command came, We rescued Shu'ayb and those who believed along with him by a mercy from Us. The Great Blast seized hold of those who did wrong and morning found them lying flattened in their homes as if they had never lived there at all. Yes indeed! Away with Madyan just like Thamud! (11:94-95)

(Allah said,) 'When your sister went and said, "Shall I direct you to someone who will take care of him?" that was how We returned you to your mother so that she might delight her eyes and not be grieved. You killed a man and We rescued you from trouble and tested you with many trials. You stayed some years among the people of Madyan. Then you arrived at the pre-ordained time, Musa!' (20:40)

And the companions of Madyan (denied); and Musa was denied as well. I allowed time to the disbelievers but then I seized them. How terrible was My denial! (22:44)

When turned his face in the direction of Madyan, he (Musa) said, 'Hopefully my Lord will guide me to the right way.' (28:22)

When he (Musa) arrived at the water of Madyan, he found a crowd of people drawing water there. Standing apart from them, he found two women, holding back their sheep. He said, 'What are you two doing here?' They said, 'We cannot draw water until the shepherds have driven off their

sheep. You see our father is a very old man.' (28:23)

Yet We produced further generations and ages passed. Nor did you live among the people of Madyan and recite Our Signs to them, yet We have sent you news of them. (28:45)

And to Madyan We sent their brother Shu'ayb, he said, 'My people, worship Allah and look to the Last Day and do not act unjustly on earth, corrupting it.' (29:36)

## **SHUKR (SEE THANKSGIVING)**

### **SICKNESS**

There is a sickness in their hearts and Allah has increased their sickness. They will have a painful punishment on account of their denial. (2:10)

Yet you see those with sickness in their hearts rushing to them, saying, 'We fear the wheel of fate may turn against us.' But it may well be that Allah will bring about victory or some other contingency from Him. Then they will deeply regret their secret thoughts. (5:52)

And when the hypocrites and those with sickness in their hearts said, 'These people have been deluded by their religion.' But those who put their trust in Allah will find Allah to be Almighty, All-Wise. (8:49)

Nothing is held against the weak and sick nor against those who find nothing to spend, provided they are true to Allah and His Messenger—there is no way open against good-doers, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:91)

But as for those with sickness in their hearts, it adds defilement to their defilement, and they die while they are disbelievers. (9:125)

We did not send any Messenger or any Prophet before you without Satan insinuating something into his recitation while he was reciting. But Allah revokes whatever Satan insinuates and then Allah confirms His Signs—Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise—so that He can make what Satan insinuates a trial for those with sickness in their hearts and for those whose hearts are hard—the wrongdoers are entrenched in hostility. (22:52-53)

Is there a sickness in their hearts or do they have misgivings or do they fear that Allah and His

Messenger will be unjust to them? No, it is simply that they are wrongdoers. (24:50)

There is no objection to the blind, no objection to the lame, no objection to the sick; nor to yourselves if you eat in your own houses or your fathers' houses or your mothers' houses or your brothers' houses or your sisters' houses or the houses of your paternal uncles or paternal aunts or the houses of your maternal uncles or maternal aunts or places to which you own the keys or those of your friends. There is nothing wrong in your eating together or eating separately. And when you enter houses greet one another with a greeting from Allah, blessed and good. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (24:61)

When the hypocrites and people with sickness in their hearts said, 'What Allah and His Messenger promised us was mere delusion.' (33:12)

Wives of the Prophet! You are not like other women provided you guard against evil. Do not be too soft-spoken in your speech lest someone with sickness in his heart becomes desirous. Speak correct and courteous words. (33:32)

If the hypocrites and those with sickness in their hearts and the rumour-mongers in Madina do not desist, We will set you onto them. Then they will only be your neighbours there a very short time. (33:60)

And (Ibrahim) said, 'I am sick.' (37:89)

So We cast him (Yunus) up onto the beach and he was sick. (37:145)

Those who believe say, 'If only a sura could be sent down.' But when a straightforward sura is sent down and fighting is mentioned in it, you see those with sickness in their hearts looking at you with the look of someone about to faint from fear of death. More fitting for them would be obedience and honourable words. Once the matter is resolved upon, being true to Allah would be better for them. (47:20-21)

Or did those with sickness in their hearts imagine that Allah would not expose their malevolence? (47:29)

There is no constraint on the blind, nor on the lame, nor on the sick. We will admit all who obey Allah and His Messenger into Gardens with

rivers flowing under them. But We will punish with a painful punishment anyone who turns his back. (48:17)

We have only appointed angels as masters of the Fire and We have only specified their number as a trial for those who disbelieve; so that those who were given the Book might gain in certainty, and those who believe might increase in their faith, and both those who were given the Book and the believers might have no doubt; and so that those with sickness in their hearts and the disbelievers might say, 'What did Allah intend by this example?' In this way Allah misguides those He wills and guides those He wills. No one knows the legions of your Lord but Him. This is nothing but a reminder to all human beings. (74:31)

## SIGHT

The lightning all but takes away their sight. Whenever they have light, they walk in it but whenever darkness covers them, they halt. If Allah wished, He could take away their hearing and their sight. Allah has power over all things. (2:20)

We will overturn their hearts and sight, just as when they did not believe in it at first, and We will abandon them to wander blindly in their excessive insolence. (6:110)

Say: 'Who provides for you out of heaven and earth? Who controls hearing and sight? Who brings forth the living from the dead and the dead from the living? Who directs the whole affair?' They will say, 'Allah.' Say, 'So will you not guard against evil?' (10:31)

But when the bringer of the good news came, he (Yusuf's father) cast it on his face and sight returned. He said, 'Did I not say to you before, I know things from Allah you do not know?' (12:96)

Do not consider Allah to be unaware of what the wrongdoers perpetrate. He is merely deferring them to a Day on which their sight will be transfixed, rushing headlong—heads back, eyes vacant, hearts hollow. (14:42-43)

Those are the people whose hearts, hearing and sight Allah has sealed up. They are the unaware. (16:108)

It is He Who has created hearing, sight and hearts for you. What little thanks you show! (23:78)  
Do you not see that Allah propels the clouds then makes them coalesce then heaps them up, and then you see the rain come pouring out of the middle of them? And He sends down mountains from the sky with hail inside them, striking with it anyone He wills and averting it from anyone He wills. The brightness of His lightning almost blinds the sight. (24:43)

Then (He) formed him and breathed His Spirit into him and gave you hearing, sight and hearts. What little thanks you show! (32:9)

He Who created the seven heavens in layers. You will not find any flaw in the creation of the All-Merciful. Look again—do you see any gaps? Then look again and again. Your sight will return to you dazzled and exhausted! (67:3-4)

Say: 'It is He Who brought you into being and gave you hearing, sight and hearts. What little thanks you show!' (67:23)

## SIGN - MIRACLE

They said, 'No matter what kind of Sign you bring us to bewitch us, we will not believe in you.' (7:132)

So We sent down on them floods, locusts, lice, frogs and blood, Signs, clear and distinct, but they proved arrogant and were an evildoing people. (7:133)

Put your hand under your arm and press it to your side. It will emerge pure white yet quite unharmed, another Sign. (20:22)

In this way We show you some of Our greatest Signs. (20:23)

Then he (Musa) showed him the Great Sign. (79:20)

## SIJJIN

No indeed! The book of the dissolute is in Sijjin. (83:7)

And what will convey to you what Sijjin is? (83:8)

## SILK

They will have Gardens of Eden with rivers flowing under them. They will be adorned in them

with bracelets made of gold and wear green garments made of the finest silk and rich brocade, reclining there on couches under canopies. What an excellent reward! What a wonderful repose! (18:31)

But Allah will admit those who believe and do right actions into Gardens with rivers flowing under them where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. (22:23)

They will enter Gardens of Eden where they will be adorned with gold bracelets and pearls, and where their clothing will be of silk. (35:33)

(Believers will be) wearing fine silk and rich brocade, face to face with one another. (44:53)

And (Allah) will reward them for their steadfastness with a Garden and with silk. (76:12)

They will wear green garments of fine silk and rich brocade. They will be adorned with silver bracelets. And their Lord will give them a pure draught to drink. (76:21)

## SILVER

To mankind the love of worldly appetites is painted in glowing colours: women and children, and heaped-up mounds of gold and silver, and horses with fine markings, and livestock and fertile farmland. All that is merely the enjoyment of the life of this world. The best homecoming is in the presence of Allah. (3:14)

You who believe! Many of the rabbis and monks devour people's property under false pretences and bar people from access to the Way of Allah. As for those who hoard up gold and silver and do not spend it in the Way of Allah, give them the news of a painful punishment. (9:34)

That was the situation when we woke them up so they could question one another. One of them asked, 'How long have you been here?' They replied, 'We have been here for a day or part of a day.' They said, 'Your Lord knows best how long you have been here. Send one of your number into the city with this silver you have, so he can see which food is purest and bring you some of it to eat. But he should go about with caution so that no one is aware of you.' (18:19)

Were it not that mankind might all become one

community, We would have given those who reject the All-Merciful silver roofs to their houses and silver stairways to ascend and silver doors to their houses and silver couches on which to recline. (43:33-34)

(In the Garden of Paradise) vessels of silver and goblets of pure crystal will be passed round among them, crystalline silver—they have measured them very exactly. (76:15-16)

They will wear green garments of fine silk and rich brocade. They will be adorned with silver bracelets. And their Lord will give them a pure draught to drink. (76:21)

## SIN

He (Qarun) said, 'I have only been given it because of knowledge I have.' Did he not know that before him Allah had destroyed generations with far greater strength than his and far more possessions? The evildoers will not be questioned about their sins. (28:78)

That Day no man or jinn will be asked about his sin. (55:39)

But they denied him and they hamstrung her (the she-camel), so their Lord crushed them for their sin and flattened them. (91:14)

## SINAI (SEE MOUNT SINAI)

## SINCERITY (IKHLAS)

Allah will say, 'This is the Day when the sincerity of the sincere will benefit them. They will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. That is the Great Victory.' (5:19)

You who believe! Have fear of Allah and be with the truly sincere. (9:119)

He (Satan) said, 'My Lord, because You misled me, I will make things on the earth seem good to them and I will mislead them all, every one of them, except Your servants among them who are sincere.' (15:39-40)

Say: 'My Lord, make my entry sincere and make my leaving sincere and grant me supporting authority direct from Your Presence.' (17:80)

Mention Musa in the Book. He was truly sincere

and was a Messenger and a Prophet. (19:51) When We made a covenant with all the Prophets—with you and with Nuh and Ibrahim and Musa and 'Isa son of Maryam—We made a binding covenant with them, so that He would be able to question the truthful about their truth; and He has prepared a painful punishment for the disbelievers. (33:7-8)

So that Allah might recompense the truthful for their truth and punish the hypocrites, if He wills, or turn towards them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:24)

They used to say, 'If we had only had a Reminder from the previous peoples, we would certainly have been sincere servants of Allah!' (37:167-169) We purified their sincerity through sincere remembrance of the Abode. (38:46)

Indeed is the sincere religion not Allah's alone? If people take protectors besides Him—'We only worship them so that they may bring us nearer to Allah'—Allah will judge between them regarding the things about which they differed. Allah does not guide anyone who is an ungrateful liar. (39:3) Those who believe in Allah and His Messengers—such people are the truly sincere—and the martyrs who are with their Lord will receive their wages and their light. But those who disbelieve and deny Our Signs, will be Companions of the Blazing Fire. (57:19)

It (booty) is for the poor of the emigrants who were driven from their homes and wealth desiring the favour and the pleasure of Allah and supporting Allah and His Messenger. Such people are the truly sincere. (59:8)

## SISTER

You receive half of what your wives leave if they are childless. If they have children you receive a quarter of what they leave after any bequest they make or any debts. They receive a quarter of what you leave if you are childless. If you have children they receive an eighth of what you leave after any bequest you make or any debts. If a man or woman has no direct heirs, but has a brother or sister, each of them receives a sixth. If there are more than that they share in a third after any bequest you make or any debts, making sure

that no one's rights are prejudiced. This is an instruction from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Forbearing. (4:12)

Forbidden for you are: your mothers and your daughters and your sisters, your maternal aunts and your paternal aunts, your brothers' daughters and your sisters' daughters, your foster mothers who have suckled you, your foster sisters by sucking, your wives' mothers, your stepdaughters who are under your protection: the daughters of your wives whom you have had sexual relations with (though if you have not had sexual relations with them there is nothing blameworthy for you in it then), the wives of your sons whom you have fathered, and marrying two sisters at the same time—except for what may have already taken place. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:23)

They request from you a ruling. Say: 'Allah gives you a ruling about people who die without direct heirs: If a man dies childless but has a sister she receives half of what he leaves, and he is her heir if she dies childless. If there are two sisters they receive two-thirds of what he leaves. If there are brothers and sisters the males receive the share of two females. Allah makes things clear to you so you will not go astray. Allah has knowledge of all things.' (4:176)

He will say, 'Enter the Fire together with the nations of jinn and men who have passed away before you.' Each time a nation enters, it will curse its sister nation, until, when they are all gathered together in it, the last of them will say to the first, 'Our Lord, those are the ones who misguided us, so give them a double punishment in the Fire.' He will say, 'Each will receive double. But you do not know it.' (7:38)

(Her people said to Maryam,) 'Sister of Harun, your father was not an evil man nor was your mother an unchaste woman!' (19:28)

(Allah said,) 'When your sister went and said, "Shall I direct you to someone who will take care of him?" that was how We returned you to your mother so that she might delight her eyes and not be grieved. You killed a man and We rescued you from trouble and tested you with many trials. You stayed some years among the people of Madyan.

Then you arrived at the pre-ordained time, Musa!' (20:40)

Say to the believing women that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity and not display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands' fathers, or their sons or their husbands' sons or their brothers or their brothers' sons or their sisters' sons or their women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children who still have no awareness of women's private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

There is no objection to the blind, no objection to the lame, no objection to the sick nor to yourselves if you eat in your own houses or your fathers' houses or your mothers' houses or your brothers' houses or your sisters' houses or the houses of your paternal uncles or paternal aunts or the houses of your maternal uncles or maternal aunts or places to which you own the keys or those of your friends. There is nothing wrong in your eating together or eating separately. And when you enter houses greet one another with a greeting from Allah, blessed and good. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (24:61)

She said to his sister, 'Go after him.' And she kept an eye on him from afar and they were not aware. (28:11)

We first made him refuse all wet-nurses, so she (his sister) said, 'Shall I show you to a household who will feed him for you and be good to him?' (28:12) They incur no blame in respect of their fathers or their sons or their brothers or their brothers' or sisters' sons, or their women or any slaves they own. Have fear of Allah. Allah is witness of all things. (33:55)

## SKILL

The ruling circle of Pharaoh's people said, 'This is certainly a skilled magician who desires to

expel you from your land, so what do you recommend?' They said, 'Detain him and his brother and send out marshals to the cities, to bring you all the skilled magicians.' (7:109-112) He (Pharaoh) said to the High Council round about him, 'This certainly is a skilled magician who desires by his magic to expel you from your land, so what do you recommend?' They said, 'Detain him and his brother and send out marshals to the cities, to bring you all the skilled magicians.' (26:34-37)

(Salih said to his people,) 'Will you continue hewing houses from the mountains with exultant skill?' (26:149)

## SKIN

As for those who reject Our Signs, We will roast them in a Fire. Every time their skins are burned off, We will replace them with new skins so that they can taste the punishment. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (4:56)

Here are two rival groups who disputed concerning their Lord. Those who disbelieve will have garments of fire cut out for them, and boiling water poured over their heads, which will melt the contents of their bellies as well as their skin. (22:19-20)

Allah has sent down the Supreme Discourse, a Book consistent in its frequent repetitions. The skins of those who fear their Lord tremble at it and then their skins and hearts yield softly to the remembrance of Allah. That is Allah's guidance by which He guides whoever He wills. And no one can guide those whom Allah misguides. (39:23)

When they reach it (the Fire), their hearing, sight and skin will testify against them concerning what they did. They will ask their skins, 'Why did you testify against us?' and they will reply, 'Allah gave us speech as He has given speech to everything. He created you in the first place and you will be returned to Him. You did not think to shield yourselves from your hearing, sight and skin testifying against you and you thought that Allah would never know much of what you did.' (41:20-22)

## **SLANDER**

If you desire to exchange one wife for another and have given your original wife a large amount, do not take any of it. Would you take it by means of slander and outright crime? (4:20) Anyone who commits an error or an evil action, and then ascribes it to someone innocent, bears the weight of slander and clear wrongdoing. (4:112)

And on account of their disbelief, and their utterance of a monstrous slander against Maryam, and their saying, 'We killed the Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, Messenger of Allah.' They did not kill him and they did not crucify him but it was made to seem so to them. Those who argue about him are in doubt about it. They have no real knowledge of it, just conjecture. But they certainly did not kill him. (4:156-157)

Why, when you heard it, did you not say, 'We have no business speaking about this. Glory be to You! This is a terrible slander!?' (24:16)

And those who abuse men and women who are believers, when they have not merited it, bear the weight of slander and clear wrongdoing. (33:58) (Do not obey) any backbiter, slanderer-monger, (68:11)

(A band of the jinn listened and said,) "The fools among us have uttered a vile slander against Allah." (72:4)

## **SLAUGHTER**

Remember when We rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you—slaughtering your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial for you from your Lord. (2:49)

Allah fulfilled His promise to you when you were slaughtering them by His permission. But then you faltered, disputing the command, and disobeyed after He showed you what you love. Among you are those who want this world and among you are those who want the hereafter. Then He turned you from them in order to test you—but He has pardoned you. Allah shows favour to the believers. (3:152)

Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than

Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and animals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviance. Today those who disbelieve have despaired of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3)

And also (He provides) animals for riding and for haulage and animals for slaughtering and for wool. Eat what Allah has provided for you and do not follow in the footsteps of Satan. He is an outright enemy to you. (6:142)

Remember when Musa said to his people, 'Remember Allah's blessing to you when He rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you, slaughtering your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord.' (14:6)

(Sulayman said,) 'I will certainly punish it (the hoopoe) most severely or slaughter it if it does not bring me clear authority.' (27:21)

Pharaoh exalted himself arrogantly in the land and divided its people into camps, oppressing one group of them by slaughtering their sons and letting their women live. He was one of the corrupters. (28:4)

When he (Musa) brought them the truth from Us they said, 'Slaughter the sons of those who believe with him but let their women live.' The stratagems of the disbelievers are nothing but errors. (40:25)

## **SLAVE**

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who,

despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

You who believe! Retaliation is prescribed for you in the case of people killed: free man for free man, slave for slave, female for female. But if someone is absolved by his brother, blood-money should be claimed with correctness and paid with good will. That is an easement and a mercy from your Lord. Anyone who goes beyond the limits after this will receive a painful punishment. (2:178)

Do not marry women of the idolaters until they believe. A slavegirl who is one of the believers is better for you than a woman of the idolaters, even though she may attract you. And do not marry men of the idolaters until they believe. A slave who is one of the believers is better for you than a man of the idolaters, even though he may attract you. Such people call you to the Fire whereas Allah calls you, with His permission, to the Garden and forgiveness. He makes His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will pay heed. (2:221)

If you are afraid of not behaving justly towards orphans, then marry other permissible women, two, three or four. But if you are afraid of not treating them equally, then only one, or those you own as slaves. That makes it more likely that you will not be unfair. (4:3)

A believer should never kill another believer unless it is by mistake. Anyone who kills a believer by mistake should free a believing slave and pay blood-money to his family unless they forgo it as a charity. If he is from a people who are your enemies and is a believer, you should free a believing slave. If he is from a people you have a treaty with, blood money should be paid to his family and you should free a believing slave. Anyone who cannot find the means should fast two consecutive months. This is a concession from Allah.

Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:92) What they call on apart from Him are female idols. What they call on is an arrogant Satan whom Allah has cursed. He (Satan) said, 'I will take a certain fixed proportion of Your slaves.' (4:117-118)

Allah does not take you to task for your inadvertent oaths, but He will take you to task for oaths you make intentionally. The expiation in that case is to feed ten poor people with the average amount you feed your family, or clothe them, or free a slave. Anyone without the means to do so should fast three days. That is the expiation for breaking oaths when you have sworn them. Keep your oaths. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:89)

The alms are for: the poor, the destitute, those who collect it, reconciling people's hearts, freeing slaves, those in debt, spending in the Way of Allah, and travellers. It is a legal obligation from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:60)

Some city women said, 'The governor's wife solicited her slave. He's fired her heart with love. We see that she's the one to blame.' (12:30)

Marry off those among you who are unmarried and those of your slaves and slavegirls who are righteous. If they are poor, Allah will enrich them from His bounty. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing. (24:32)

Those who cannot find the means to marry should be abstinent until Allah enriches them from His bounty. If any slaves you own want to make a contract to free themselves, write it for them if you know of good in them and give them some of the wealth Allah has given you. Do not force your slavegirls to prostitute themselves if they desire to be virtuous women out of your desire for the goods of this world. If anyone forces them, then after they have been forced, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:33)

You who believe! Those you own as slaves and those of you who have not yet reached puberty should ask your permission to enter at three times: before the Dawn Prayer, when you have undressed at noon, and after the Prayer of Night—three times of nakedness for you. There is

nothing wrong for you or them at other times in moving around among yourselves from one to another. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (24:58) (Musa said to Pharaoh,) 'And anyway you can only reproach me with this favour because you made the tribe of Israel into slaves!' (26:22)

O Prophet! We have made lawful for you: your wives to whom you have given dowries and any slavegirls you own from the booty Allah has allotted you and the daughters of your paternal uncles and the daughters of your paternal aunts and the daughters of your maternal uncles and the daughters of your maternal aunts who have migrated with you and any believing woman who gives herself to the Prophet if the Prophet desires to marry her: exclusively for you as opposed to the rest of the believers—We know very well what We have prescribed for them regarding their wives and any slavegirls they possess—in order that there be no restriction on you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:50)

After that no other women are lawful for you nor may you exchange them for other wives, even though their beauty might be pleasing to you, with the exception of any you own as slaves. Allah is watchful over all things. (33:52)

They incur no blame in respect of their fathers or their sons or their brothers or their brothers' or sisters' sons, or their women or any slaves they own. Have fear of Allah. Allah is witness of all things. (33:55)

Those who divorce their wives by equating them with their mothers, and then wish to go back on what they said, must set free a slave before the two of them may touch one another. This is what you are enjoined to do. Allah is aware of what you do. (58:3)

(Believers are) those who guard their private parts except from their wives and any slaves they own, in which case they incur no blame. (70:29-30)

What will convey to you what the steep ascent is? It is freeing a slave... (90:12-13)

## SLEEP

Allah, there is no god but Him, the Living, the

Self-Sustaining. He is not subject to drowsiness or sleep. Everything in the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. Who can intercede with Him except by His permission? He knows what is before them and what is behind them but they cannot grasp any of His knowledge save what He wills. His Footstool encompasses the heavens and the earth and their preservation does not tire Him. He is the Most High, the Magnificent. (2:255)

So We sealed their ears with sleep in the cave for a number of years. (18:11)

You would have supposed them to be awake whereas in fact they were asleep. We moved them to the right and to the left, and, at the entrance, their dog stretched out its paws. If you had looked down and seen them, you would have turned from them and run and have been filled with terror at the sight of them. (18:18)

It is He Who made the night a cloak for you and sleep a rest, and He made the day a time for rising. (25:47)

Allah takes back people's selves when their death arrives and those who have not yet died, while they are asleep. He keeps hold of those whose death has been decreed and sends the others back for a specified term. There are certainly Signs in that for people who reflect. (39:42) We made your sleep a break. (78:9)

## SLIPPING OF THE FOOT

But Satan made them slip up by means of it, expelling them from where they were. We said, 'Go down from here as enemies to each other! You will have residence on the earth and enjoyment for a time.' (2:36)

Those of you who turned their backs on the day the two armies clashed—it was Satan who made them slip for what they had done. But Allah has pardoned them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (3:155)

Do not make your oaths a means of deceiving one another or your foot will slip after it was firmly placed and you will taste evil for barring access to the Way of Allah and you will have a terrible punishment. (16:94)

## **SLOPE**

When you were on the nearer slope, and they were on the further slope and the caravan was lower down than you. If you had made an appointment with them you would have broken the appointment. However, it happened so that Allah could settle a matter whose result was pre-ordained: so that those who died would die with clear proof, and those who lived would live with clear proof. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (8:42)

When Yajuj and Majuj are let loose and rush down from every slope, (21:96)

## **SMOKE**

Say: 'It is the truth from your Lord; so let whoever wishes believe and whoever wishes disbelieve.' We have prepared for the wrongdoers a Fire whose billowing walls of smoke will hem them in. If they call for help, they will be helped with water like seething molten brass, frying their faces. What a noxious drink! What an evil repose! (18:29)

Then He turned to heaven when it was smoke and said to it and to the earth, 'Come willingly or unwillingly.' They both said, 'We come willingly.' (41:11)

So be on the watch for a day when heaven brings forth a distinctive smoke, which enshrouds mankind. 'This is a painful punishment!' (44:10-11)

He will pursue you with a piercing flame and fiery smoke, and you will not be helped. (55:35) (The Companions of the Left are) amid searing blasts and scalding water and the murk of thick black smoke, providing no coolness and no pleasure. (56:42-44)

## **SNAKE**

So He (Musa) threw down his staff and there it was, unmistakably a snake. (7:107, 26:32)

He (Musa) threw it down and suddenly it was a slithering snake. (20:20)

(A voice called out to Musa,) 'Throw down your staff.' Then when he saw it slithering like a snake he turned and fled and did not turn back again. 'Have no fear, Musa. In My Presence the

Messengers have no fear.' (27:10)

(A voice called out to Musa,) 'Throw down your staff!' Then when he saw it slithering like a snake he turned and fled and did not turn back again. 'Musa, approach and have no fear! You are one of those who are secure.' (28:31)

## **SNOUT**

When Our Signs are recited to him, he says, 'Just myths of previous peoples!' We will brand him on the snout! (68:15-16)

## **SOIL (SEE EARTH)**

## **SOLOMON (SEE SULAYMAN (AS))**

## **SONS**

We gave Musa the Book and sent a succession of Messengers after him. We gave 'Isa, son of Maryam, the Clear Signs and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. Why then, whenever a Messenger came to you with something your lower selves did not desire, did you grow arrogant, and deny some of them and murder others? (2:87)

They say, 'Allah has a son.' Glory be to Him! No, everything in the heavens and earth belongs to Him. Everything is obedient to Him. (2:116)

Or were you present when death came to Ya'qub and he said to his sons, 'What will you worship when I have gone?' They said, 'We will worship your God, the God of your forefathers, Ibrahim, Isma'il and Ishaq—one God. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:133)

These Messengers: We favoured some of them over others. Allah spoke directly to some of them and raised up some of them in rank. We gave Clear Signs to 'Isa, son of Maryam, and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. If Allah had willed, those who came after them would not have fought each other after the Clear Signs came to them, but they differed. Among them there are those who believe and among them there are those who disbelieve. If Allah had willed, they would not have fought each other. But Allah does whatever He desires. (2:253) He (Zakariyya) said, 'My Lord, how can I possi-

bly have a son when I have reached old age and my wife is barren?' He said, 'It will be so. Allah does whatever He wills.' (3:40)

When the angels said, 'Maryam, your Lord gives you good news of a Word from Him. His name is the Messiah, 'Isa, son of Maryam, of high esteem in this world and the hereafter, and one of those brought near.' (3:45)

If anyone argues with you about him after the knowledge that has come to you, say, 'Come then! Let us summon our sons and your sons, our women and your women, ourselves and yourselves. Then let us make earnest supplication and call down the curse of Allah upon the liars.' (3:61)

Allah instructs you regarding your children: A male receives the same as the share of two females. If there are more than two daughters they receive two-thirds of what you leave. If she is one on her own she receives a half. Each of your parents receives a sixth of what you leave if you have children. If you are childless and your heirs are your parents your mother receives a third. If you have brothers or sisters your mother receives a sixth, after any bequest you make or any debts. With regard to your fathers and your sons, you do not know which of them is going to benefit you more. These are obligatory shares from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:11)

Forbidden for you are: your mothers and your daughters and your sisters, your maternal aunts and your paternal aunts, your brothers' daughters and your sisters' daughters, your foster mothers who have suckled you, your foster sisters by suckling, your wives' mothers, your stepdaughters who are under your protection: the daughters of your wives whom you have had sexual relations with (though if you have not had sexual relations with them there is nothing blameworthy for you in it then), the wives of your sons whom you have fathered, and marrying two sisters at the same time—except for what may have already taken place. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:23)

And (We punished them) on account of their disbelief, and their utterance of a monstrous slander against Maryam, and their saying, 'We killed the

Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, Messenger of Allah.' They did not kill him and they did not crucify him but it was made to seem so to them. Those who argue about him are in doubt about it. They have no real knowledge of it, just conjecture. But they certainly did not kill him. (4:156-157)

People of the Book! Do not go to excess in your religion. Say nothing but the truth about Allah. The Messiah, 'Isa son of Maryam, was only the Messenger of Allah and His Word, which He cast into Maryam, and a Spirit from Him. So believe in Allah and His Messengers. Do not say, 'Three.' It is better that you stop. Allah is only One God. He is too Glorious to have a son! Everything in the heavens and in the earth belongs to Him. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:171)

Those who say, 'Allah is the Messiah, son of Maryam,' disbelieve. Say: 'Who possesses any power at all over Allah if He desires to destroy the Messiah, son of Maryam, and his mother, and everyone else on earth?' The kingdom of the heavens and the earth and everything between them belongs to Allah. He creates whatever He wills. Allah has power over all things. (5:17)

Recite to them the true report of Adam's two sons when they offered a sacrifice and it was accepted from one of them but not accepted from the other. The one said, 'I shall kill you.' The other said, 'Allah only accepts from people who guard against evil. (5:27)

And We sent 'Isa son of Maryam following in their footsteps, confirming the Torah that came before him. We gave him the Gospel containing guidance and light, confirming the Torah that came before it, and as guidance and admonition for those who guard against evil. (5:46)

Those who say that the Messiah, son of Maryam, is Allah are disbelievers. The Messiah said, 'Tribe of Israel! Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord. If anyone associates anything with Allah, Allah has forbidden him the Garden and his refuge will be the Fire.' The wrongdoers will have no helpers. (5:72)

The Messiah, the son of Maryam, was only a Messenger, before whom other Messengers came and went. His mother was a woman of truth.

Both of them ate food. See how We make the Signs clear to them! Then see how they are perverted! (5:75)

Those among the tribe of Israel who disbelieved were cursed on the tongue of Dawud and that of 'Isa, son of Maryam. That is because they rebelled and overstepped the limits. (5:78)

And when the Disciples said, "Isa son of Maryam! Can your Lord send down a table to us out of heaven?" He said, 'Have fear of Allah if you are believers!' (5:112)

'Isa son of Maryam said, 'Allah, our Lord, send down a table to us out of heaven to be a feast for us, for the first and last of us, and as a Sign from You. Provide for us! You are the Best of Providers!' (5:114)

And when Allah says, "Isa son of Maryam! Did you say to people, "Take me and my mother as gods besides Allah?!" he will say, 'Glory be to You! It is not for me to say what I have no right to say! If I had said it, then You would have known it. You know what is in my self but I do not know what is in Your Self. You are the Knower of all unseen things.' (5:116)

Yet they make the jinn co-partners with Allah when He created them! And they attribute sons and daughters to Him without any knowledge. Glory be to Him! He is far above what they describe! (6:100)

The Jews say, "Uzayr is the son of Allah," and the Christians say, 'The Messiah is the son of Allah.' That is what they say with their mouths, copying the words of those who disbelieved before. Allah fight them! How perverted they are! (9:30)

They have taken their rabbis and monks as lords besides Allah, and also the Messiah, son of Maryam. Yet they were commanded to worship only one God. There is no god but Him! Glory be to Him above anything they associate with Him! (9:31)

It sailed with them through mountainous waves, and Nuh called out to his son, who had kept himself apart, 'My son! Come on board with us. Do not stay with the disbelievers!' (11:42)

Nuh called out to his Lord and said, 'My Lord, my son is one of my family and Your promise is surely the truth and You are the Justest of Judges.' (11:45)

He (Ya'qub) said, 'My son, don't tell your brothers your dream lest they devise some scheme to injure you, Satan is a clear-cut enemy to man.' (12:5)

(The eldest of Yusuf's brothers said,) 'Return now to your father and say to him, "Your son stole, father. We can do no more than testify to what we know and we are not the guardians of the Unseen.'" (12:81)

(Ya'qub said,) 'My sons! Seek news of Yusuf and his brother. Do not despair of solace from Allah. No one despairs of solace from Allah except for people who are disbelievers.' (12:87)

He (Zakariyya) said, 'My Lord! How can I have a boy when my wife is barren and I have reached advanced old age?' (19:8)

That is 'Isa, son of Maryam, the word of truth about which they are in doubt. (19:34)

He (Harun) said, 'Son of my mother! Do not seize me by the beard or by the hair. I was afraid that you would say, "You have caused division in the tribe of Israel and taken no notice to anything I said.'" (20:94)

And We made the son of Maryam and his mother a Sign and gave them shelter on a mountainside where there was a meadow and a flowing spring. (23:50)

Say to the believing women that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity and not display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands' fathers, or their sons or their husbands' sons or their brothers or their brothers' sons or their sisters' sons or their women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children who still have no awareness of women's private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

When Luqman said to his son, counsellng him, 'My son, do not associate anything with Allah. Associating others with Him is a terrible wrong.' (31:13)

(Luqman said,) 'My son, even if something

weighs as little as a mustard-seed and is inside a rock or anywhere else in the heavens or earth, Allah will bring it out. Allah is All-Pervading, All-Aware.' My son, perform prayer and command what is right and forbid what is wrong and be steadfast in the face of all that happens to you. That is certainly the most resolute course to follow.' (31:16-17)

When We made a covenant with all the Prophets—with you and with Nuh and Ibrahim and Musa and 'Isa son of Maryam—We made a binding covenant with them. (33:7)

They incur no blame in respect of their fathers or their sons or their brothers or their brothers' or sisters' sons, or their women or any slaves they own. Have fear of Allah. Allah is witness of all things. (33:55)

When he was of an age to work with him, he (Ibrahim) said, 'My son, I saw in a dream that I must sacrifice you. What do you think about this?' He said, 'Do as you are ordered, father. Allah willing, you will find me resolute.' (37:102)

When an example is made of the son of Maryam your people laugh uproariously. (43:57)

Then We sent Our Messengers following in their footsteps and sent 'Isa son of Maryam after them, giving him the Gospel. We put compassion and mercy in the hearts of those who followed him. They invented monasticism—We did not prescribe it for them—purely out of desire to gain the pleasure of Allah, but even so they did not observe it as it should have been observed. To those of them who believed We gave their reward but many of them are deviators. (57:27)

And when 'Isa son of Maryam said, 'Tribe of Israel, I am the Messenger of Allah to you, confirming the Torah which came before me and giving you the good news of a Messenger after me whose name is Ahmad.' When he brought them the Clear Signs, they said, 'This is downright magic.' (61:6)

You who believe! Be helpers of Allah as 'Isa son of Maryam said to the Disciples, 'Who will be my helpers to Allah?' The Disciples said, 'We will be the helpers of Allah.' One faction of the tribe of Israel believed and the other disbelieved. So We supported those who believed against their

enemy and they became victorious. (61:14) (On the Day) no good friend will ask about his friend even though they can see each other. An evildoer will wish he could ransom himself from the punishment of that Day, by means of his sons, (70:10-11)

## **SOOTHSAYER**

Remind them then! For, by the blessing of your Lord, you are neither a soothsayer nor a madman. (52:29)

## **SORCERY**

They follow what the Satans recited in the reign of Sulayman. Sulayman did not disbelieve, but the Satans did, teaching people sorcery and what had been sent down to Harut and Marut, the two angels in Babylon, who taught no one without first saying to him, 'We are merely a trial and temptation, so do not disbelieve.' People learned from them how to separate a man and his wife but they cannot harm anyone by it, except with Allah's permission. They have learned what will harm them and will not benefit them. They know that any who deal in it will have no share in the hereafter. What an evil thing they have sold themselves for if they only knew! (2:102)

## **SOUND INTELLECT**

Eat and pasture your cattle. Certainly there are Signs in that for people of sound intellect. (20:54) Are they not guided by the many generations We have destroyed before them, among whose dwelling places they walk about? There are Signs in that for people of sound intellect. (20:128)

## **SPARK**

Proceed to a shadow which forks into three but gives no shade or protection from the flames, shooting up great sparks the size of castles, like a herd of yellow camels. (77:30-33)

## **SPATHE**

(Salih said to his people,) 'Are you going to be left secure amid what is here, amid gardens and clear springs, and cultivated fields and palms with supple spathes?' (26:146-148)

And We sent down blessed water from the sky and made gardens grow by it and grain for harvesting and soaring date-palms with layered spathes, (50:9-10)

### SPECIFIED TERM

No self can die except with Allah's permission, at a predetermined time. If anyone desires the reward of this world, We will give him some of it. If anyone desires the reward of the hereafter, We will give him some of it. We will recompense the thankful. (3:145)

It is He Who created you from clay and then decreed a fixed term, and another fixed term is specified with Him. Yet you still have doubts! (6:2)

It is He Who takes you back to Himself at night, while knowing the things you perpetrate by day, and then wakes you up again, so that a specified term may be fulfilled. Then you will return to Him. Then He will inform you about what you did. (6:60)

Have they not looked into the dominions of the heavens and the earth and what Allah has created, and seen that it may well be that their appointed time is near? In what discourse after this will they believe? (7:185)

If Allah were to hasten evil for people the way they try to hasten good, their term would already have been completed for them. We abandon those who do not expect to meet Us to wander blindly in their excessive insolence. (10:11)

Say: 'I possess no power to harm or help myself except as Allah wills. Every nation has an appointed time. When their appointed time comes, they cannot delay it a single hour or bring it forward.' (10:49)

Allah is He Who raised up the heavens without any support—you can see that—and then established Himself firmly on the Throne. He made the sun and moon subservient, each running for a specified term. He directs the whole affair. He makes the Signs clear so that hopefully you will be certain about the meeting with your Lord. (13:2)

We sent Messengers before you and gave them wives and children. Nor was any Messenger able to bring a Sign except by Allah's permission.

There is a prescribed limit to every term. (13:38)  
No nation can advance its appointed time nor can they delay it. (15:5)

And were it not for a prior word from your Lord, and a specified term, it would inevitably have already taken place. (20:129)

No nation can advance its appointed time nor can they delay it. (23:43)

They ask you to hasten the punishment. If it were not for a stipulated term, the punishment would have come to them already. It will come upon them suddenly when they are not expecting it. (29:53)

If Allah were to take mankind to task for what they have earned, He would not leave a single creature crawling on it, but He is deferring them until a specified time. Then, when their time comes, Allah sees His servants! (35:45)

He created the heavens and the earth with truth. He wraps the night around the day and wraps the day around the night, and has made the sun and moon subservient, each one running for a specified term. Is He not indeed the Almighty, the Endlessly Forgiving? (39:5)

Allah takes back people's selves when their death arrives and those who have not yet died, while they are asleep. He keeps hold of those whose death has been decreed and sends the others back for a specified term. There are certainly Signs in that for people who reflect. (39:42)  
It is He Who created you from earth, then from a drop of sperm, then from a clot of blood, then He brings you out as infants, then so you may achieve full strength, then so you may become old men—though some of you may die before that time—so that you may reach a predetermined age and so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (40:67)

They only split up after knowledge came to them, tyrannising one another. And were it not for a prior decree from your Lord for a specified term, the judgement between them would already have been made. Those who inherited the Book after them are indeed in grave doubt about it. (42:14)

Allah will not give anyone more time, once their time has come. Allah is aware of what you do. (63:11)

(Nuh said to his people,) 'He will forgive you your wrong actions and defer you until a specified time. When Allah's time comes it cannot be deferred, if you only knew.' (71:4)

## SPECK

Allah does not wrong anyone by so much as the smallest speck. And if there is a good deed Allah will multiply it and pay out an immense reward direct from Him. (4:40)

Do you not see those who claim to be purified? No, Allah purifies whoever He wills. They will not be wronged by so much as the smallest speck. (4:49)

Do you not see those who were told: 'Hold back from fighting but perform prayer and give the alms'? Then when fighting is prescribed for them, a group of them fear people as Allah should be feared, or even more than that. They say, 'Our Lord, why have you prescribed fighting for us? If only You would give us just a little more time!' Say, 'The enjoyment of this world is very brief. The hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. You will not be wronged by so much as the smallest speck.' (4:77)

Anyone, male or female, who does right actions and is a believer, will enter the Garden. They will not be wronged by so much as the tiniest speck. (4:124)

You do not engage in any matter or recite any of the Qur'an or do any action without Our witnessing you while you are occupied with it. Not even the smallest speck eludes your Lord, either on earth or in heaven. Nor is there anything smaller than that, or larger, which is not in a Clear Book. (10:61)

On the Day We summon every people with their records, those who are given their Book in their right hand will read their Book and they will not be wronged by even the smallest speck. (17:71)

We will advance on the actions they have done and make them scattered specks of dust. (25:23)

He makes night merge into day and day merge into night, and He has made the sun and moon subservient, each one running until a specified time. That is Allah, your Lord. The Kingdom is His. Those you call on besides Him have no

power over even the smallest speck. (35:13)

## SPENDING IN THE WAY OF ALLAH

(Those who guard against evil are) those who believe in the Unseen and perform prayer and spend from what We have provided for them. (2:3)

Spend in the Way of Allah. Do not cast yourselves into destruction. And do good: Allah loves good-doers. (2:195)

They will ask you what they should give away. Say, 'Any wealth you give away should go to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor and travellers.' Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. (2:215)

They will ask you about alcoholic drinks and gambling. Say, 'There is great wrong in both of them and also certain benefits for mankind. But the wrong in them is greater than the benefit.' They will ask you what they should give away. Say, 'Whatever is surplus to your needs.' In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect. (2:219)

You who believe! Give away some of what We have provided for you before a Day arrives on which there is no trading, no close friendship and no intercession. It is the disbelievers who are the wrongdoers. (2:254)

The metaphor of those who spend their wealth in the Way of Allah is that of a grain which produces seven ears; in every ear there are a hundred grains. Allah gives such multiplied increase to whoever He wills. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing. (2:261)

Those who spend their wealth in the Way of Allah, and then do not follow what they have spent by demands for gratitude or insulting words will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:262)

You who believe! Do not nullify your charity by demands for gratitude or insulting words, like him who spends his wealth, showing off to people and not believing in Allah and the Last Day. His likeness is that of a smooth rock coated with soil, which, when heavy rain falls on it, is left stripped bare. They have no power over anything

they have earned. Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (2:264)

The metaphor of those who spend their wealth, desiring the pleasure of Allah and firmness for themselves, is that of a garden on a hillside. When heavy rain falls on it, it doubles its produce; and if heavy rain does not fall, there is dew. Allah sees what you do. (2:265)

You who believe! Give away some of the good things you have earned and some of what the earth produces for you. Do not have recourse to bad things when you give, things you would only take with your eyes tight shut! Know that Allah is Rich Beyond Need, Praiseworthy. (2:267)

Whatever amount you spend or vow you make, Allah knows it. The wrongdoers have no helpers. (2:270)

You are not responsible for their guidance, but Allah guides whoever He wills. Whatever good you give away is to your own benefit, when you give desiring only the Face of Allah. Whatever good you give away will be repaid to you in full. You will not be wronged. (2:272)

It (charity) is for the poor who are held back in the Way of Allah, unable to travel in the land. The ignorant consider them rich because of their reticence. You will know them by their mark. They do not ask from people insistently. Whatever good you give away, Allah knows it. (2:273)

Those who give away their wealth by night and day, secretly and openly, will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:274)

The steadfast, the truthful, the obedient, the givers, and those who seek forgiveness before dawn. (3:17)

You will not attain true goodness until you give of what you love. Whatever you give away, Allah knows it. (3:92)

(The people who guard against evil are) those who give in times of both ease and hardship, those who control their rage and pardon other people—Allah loves the good-doers. (3:134)

As for those who are tight-fisted and direct others to be tight-fisted, and hide the bounty Allah has given them, We have prepared a humiliating

punishment for those who disbelieve, and also for those who spend their wealth to show off to people, not believing in Allah and the Last Day. Anyone who has made Satan his comrade, what an evil comrade he is! (4:37-38)

What harm would it have done them to have believed in Allah and the Last Day and to have given of what Allah has provided for them? Allah knows everything about them. (4:39)

The Jews say, ‘Allah’s hand is chained.’ Their hands are chained and they are cursed for what they say! No! Both His hands are open wide and He gives however He wills. What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of them in insolence and disbelief. We have incited enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising. Each time they kindle the fire of war, Allah extinguishes it. They rush about the earth corrupting it. Allah does not love corrupters. (5:64)

(The believers are) those who perform prayer and give of what We have provided for them. (8:3)

Arm yourselves against them with all the fire-power and cavalry you can muster, to terrify the enemies of Allah and your enemies, and others besides them whom you do not know. Allah knows them. Anything you spend in the Way of Allah will be repaid to you in full. You will not be wronged. (8:60)

You who believe! Many of the rabbis and monks devour people’s property under false pretences and bar people from access to the Way of Allah. As for those who hoard up gold and silver and do not spend it in the Way of Allah, give them the news of a painful punishment. (9:34)

Say: ‘Whether you give readily or reluctantly, it will not be accepted from you. You are people who are deviators.’ (9:53)

Nothing prevents what they give from being accepted from them but the fact that they have rejected Allah and His Messenger, and that they only come to prayer lethargically, and that they only give reluctantly. (9:54)

The alms are for: the poor, the destitute, those who collect it, reconciling people’s hearts, freeing slaves, those in debt, spending in the Way of Allah, and travellers. It is a legal obligation from

Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:60)  
Nothing is held against the weak and sick nor against those who find nothing to spend, provided they are true to Allah and His Messenger—there is no way open against good-doers, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful—nor is anything held against those who, when they came to you for you to provide them with mounts and you said, ‘I cannot find anything on which to mount you,’ turned away with their eyes overflowing with tears, overcome by grief at having nothing to give. (9:91-92)

Among the desert arabs there are some who regard what they give as an imposition and are waiting for your fortunes to change. The evil turn of fortune will be theirs! Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (9:98)

And among the desert arabs there are some who believe in Allah and the Last Day and regard what they give as something which will bring them nearer to Allah and to the prayers of the Messenger. It does indeed bring them near. Allah will admit them into His mercy. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:99)

Nor will they give away any amount, whether large or small, nor will they cross any valley, without it being written down for them so that Allah can recompense them for the best of what they did. (9:121)

Those who are steadfast in seeking the face of their Lord, and perform prayer and give from the provision We have given them, secretly and openly, and stave off evil with good, it is they who will have the Ultimate Abode. (13:22)

Tell My servants who believe that they should perform prayer and give from what We have provided for them, secretly and openly, before a Day arrives on which there will be no trading and no friendship. (14:31)

Allah does make a metaphor: an owned slave possessing no power over anything, and someone We have given plentiful provision who gives out from it secretly and openly. Are they the same? Praise be to Allah! They are not! But most people do not know it. (16:75)

... Give good news to the humble-hearted, whose hearts quake at the mention of Allah, and

who are steadfast in the face of all that happens to them, those who perform prayer and give of what We have provided for them. (22:34-35)

They will be given their reward twice over because they have been steadfast and because they ward off the bad with the good and give from what we have provided for them. (28:54)

Their sides eschew their beds as they call on their Lord in fear and ardent hope. And they give of what We have provided for them. (32:16)

Those who recite the Book of Allah and perform prayer and give of what We have provided for them, secretly and openly, hope for a transaction which will not prove profitless. (35:29)

And when they are told, ‘Spend from the provision Allah has given you,’ those who disbelieve say to those who believe, ‘Why should we feed someone whom, if He wished, Allah would feed Himself? You are clearly in error.’ (36:47)

(Believers are) those who respond to their Lord and perform prayer, and manage their affairs by mutual consultation and give of what We have provided for them. (42:38)

Here you are then: people who are called upon to spend in the Way of Allah and then some of you are tight-fisted! But whoever is tight-fisted is only tight-fisted to himself. Allah is Rich and you are poor. If you turn away, He will replace you with a people other than yourselves and they will not be like you. (47:38)

Believe in Allah and His Messenger and give of that to which He has made you successors. Those of you who believe and give will have an immense reward. (57:7)

And how is it with you that you do not give in the Way of Allah, when the inheritance of the heavens and the earth belongs to Allah? Those of you who gave and fought before the Victory are not the same as those who gave and fought afterwards. They are higher in rank. But to each of them Allah has promised the Best. Allah is aware of what you do. (57:10)

They are the people who say, ‘Do not spend on those who are with the Messenger of Allah, so that they may go away.’ The treasures of the heavens and earth belong to Allah. But the hypocrites do not understand this. (63:7)

Give from what We have provided for you before death comes to one of you and he says, 'My Lord, if only you would give me a little more time so that I can give charity and be one of the righteous!' (63:10)

So have fear of Allah, as much as you are able to, and listen and obey and spend for your own benefit. It is the people who are safe-guarded from the avarice of their own selves who are successful. (64:16)

He who has plenty should spend out from his plenty, but he whose provision is restricted should spend from what Allah has given him. Allah does not demand from any self more than He has given it. Allah will appoint after difficulty, ease. (65:7)

### **SPIDER**

The metaphor of those who take protectors besides Allah is that of a spider which builds itself a house; but no house is flimsier than a spider's house, if they only knew. (29:41)

### **SPIRIT (RUH)**

We gave Musa the Book and sent a succession of Messengers after him. We gave 'Isa, son of Maryam, the Clear Signs and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. Why then, whenever a Messenger came to you with something your lower selves did not desire, did you grow arrogant, and deny some of them and murder others? (2:87)

These Messengers: We favoured some of them over others. Allah spoke directly to some of them and raised up some of them in rank. We gave Clear Signs to 'Isa, son of Maryam, and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. If Allah had willed, those who came after them would not have fought each other after the Clear Signs came to them, but they differed. Among them there are those who believe and among them there are those who disbelieve. If Allah had willed, they would not have fought each other. But Allah does whatever He desires. (2:253)

Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to your mother when I reinforced you with the

Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth the dead by My permission; and when I held back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but downright magic!"; (5:110)

(Your Lord said to the angels,) 'When I have formed him and breathed My Spirit into him, fall down in prostration in front of him!' (15:29)

He sends down angels with the Spirit of His command to any of His servants He wills: 'Give warning that there is no god but Me, so have fear of Me!' (16:2)

Say: 'The Purest Spirit has brought it down from your Lord with truth, to make those who believe firm, and as guidance and good news for the Muslims.' (16:102)

They will ask you about the Spirit. Say: 'The Spirit is my Lord's concern. You have only been given a little knowledge.' (17:85)

Mention Maryam in the Book, how she withdrew from her people to an eastern place, and veiled herself from them. Then We sent Our Spirit to her and it took on for her the form of a handsome, well-built man. (19:16-17)

And she (Maryam) who protected her private parts. We breathed into her some of Our Spirit and made her and her son a Sign for all the worlds. (21:91)

The Faithful Spirit brought it (the revelation) down. (26:193)

Then (He) formed him and breathed His Spirit into him and gave you hearing, sight and hearts. What little thanks you show! (32:9)

(Your Lord said to the angels,) 'When I have formed him and breathed My Spirit into him, fall down in prostration to him!' (38:72)

He is the Raiser of ranks, the Possessor of the Throne, He sends the Spirit by His command to whichever of His servants He wills so that he

may warn mankind about the Day of Meeting: (40:15)

And Maryam, the daughter of 'Imran, who guarded her chastity—We breathed Our Spirit into her and she confirmed the Words of her Lord and His Book and was one of the obedient. (66:12)

### SPOUSE

Give the good news to those who believe and do right actions that they will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them. When they are given fruit there as provision, they will say, 'This is what we were given before.' But they were only given a simulation of it. They will have there spouses of perfect purity and will remain there timelessly, for ever. (2:25)

But as for those who believe and do right actions, We will admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. In them they will have spouses of perfect purity and We will admit them into cool, refreshing shade. (4:57)

It is He Who created you from a single self and made from him his spouse so that he might find repose in her. Then when he covered her she bore a light load and carried it around. Then when it became heavy they called on Allah, their Lord, 'If You grant us a healthy child, we will be among the thankful!' (7:189)

Among His Signs is that He created spouses for you of your own kind so that you might find tranquillity in them. And He has placed affection and compassion between you. There are certainly Signs in that for people who reflect. (30:21)

### SPRING

Those who guard against evil will be amid Gardens and Springs. (15:45)

They say, 'We will not believe you until you make a spring gush out from the earth for us,' (17:90)

We expelled them (Pharaoh and his people) from gardens and springs. (26:57)

Have fear of Him Who has supplied you with what you know, supplied you with livestock and children and gardens and clear springs. (26:132-134)

(Salih said,) 'Are you going to be left secure amid what is here, amid gardens and clear springs?' (26:146-147)

We place in it gardens of dates and grapes, and cause springs to gush out in it. (36:34)

(The believers will have) a cup from a flowing spring passing round among them (in Gardens of Delight). (37:45)

Do you not see that Allah sends down water from the sky and threads it through the earth to emerge as springs and then by it brings forth crops of varying colours, which then wither and you see them turning yellow and then He makes them into broken stubble? There is a reminder in that for people of intelligence. (39:21)

And (We) made the earth burst forth with gushing springs. And the waters met together in a way which was decreed. (54:12)

In them (the Gardens) are two clear flowing springs. (55:50)

In them are two gushing springs. (55:66)

The truly good will drink from a cup mixed with the coolness of camphor, a spring from which Allah's servants will drink, making it gush forth at will abundantly. (76:5-6)

In it there is a flowing spring called Salsabil. (76:18)

(The inhabitants of the Fire will be) drinking from a boiling spring. (88:5)

In it is a gushing spring. (88:12)

### STAKE

Before them the people of Nuh denied the truth, as did 'Ad and Pharaoh of the Stakes. (38:12)

And Pharaoh of the Stakes (was one of the tyrants). (89:10)

### STAMP

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces—its green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,' he said, 'Do you want to replace what is better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.' Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon

themselves. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

Because of the fact that they broke their covenant, and rejected Allah's Signs, and killed the Prophets without any right to do so and said, 'Our hearts are uncircumcised,' Allah has stamped them with disbelief, so they do not believe except for very few. (4:155)

They are pleased to be with those who stay behind. Their hearts have been stamped so they do not understand. (9:87)

## STANDING UP

We fortified their hearts when they stood up and said, 'Our Lord is the Lord of the heavens and the earth and We will not call on any god apart from Him. We would in that case have uttered an abomination. (18:14)

And We located the position of the House for Ibrahim: 'Do not associate anything with Me and purify My House for those who circle it, and those who stand and bow and prostrate.' (22:26)

He Who sees you when you stand up to pray. (26:218)

Say: 'I exhort you to do one thing alone: to stand before Allah in pairs and on your own and then reflect. Your companion is not possessed. He is only a warner come to you ahead of a terrible punishment.' (34:46)

## STAR

When night covered him he (Ibrahim) saw a star and said, 'This is my Lord!' Then when it set he said, 'I do not love what sets.' (6:76)

It is He Who has appointed the stars for you so you might be guided by them in the darkness of the land and sea. We have made the Signs clear for people who have knowledge. (6:97)

Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then settled Himself firmly on the Throne. He covers the day with the night, each pursuing the other urgently; and the sun and moon and stars are subservient to His command. Both creation and command belong to Him. Blessed be Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (7:54)

When Yusuf told his father, 'Father! I saw eleven bright stars, and the sun and moon as well. I saw them all prostrate in front of me.' (12:4)

He has made night and day subservient to you, and the sun and moon and stars, all subject to His command. There are certainly Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (16:12)

He cast firmly embedded mountains on the earth so it would not move under you, and rivers and pathways so that hopefully you would be guided, and landmarks. And they are guided by the stars. (16:15-16)

Do you not see that everyone in the heavens and everyone on the earth prostrates to Allah, and the sun and moon and stars and the mountains, trees and beasts and many of mankind? But many of them inevitably merit punishment. Those Allah humiliates will have no one to honour them. Allah does whatever He wills. (22:18)

Allah is the Light of the heavens and the earth. The metaphor of His Light is that of a niche in which is a lamp, the lamp inside a glass, the glass like a brilliant star, lit from a blessed tree, an olive, neither of the east nor of the west, its oil all but giving off light even if no fire touches it. Light upon Light. Allah guides to His Light whoever He wills and Allah makes metaphors for mankind and Allah has knowledge of all things. (24:35)

He (Ibrahim) took a look at the stars. (37:88)

And glorify Him in the night and when the stars fade out. (52:49)

By the star when it descends, (53:1)

And I swear by the falling of the stars. (56:75)

When the stars are extinguished, (77:8)

When the stars fall in rapid succession, (81:2)

When the stars are strewn about, (82:2)

And what will convey to you what the Night-Comer is? The Piercing Star! (86:2-3)

## STATE OF PILGRIMAGE (SEE IHRAM)

## STATUE

When he (Ibrahim) said to his father and his people, 'What are these statues you are clinging to?' (21:52)

They made for him (Sulayman) anything he wished: high arches and statues, huge dishes like

cisterns, great built-in cooking vats. 'Work, family of Dawud, in thankfulness!' But very few of My servants are thankful. (34:13)

### **STEADFASTNESS**

Seek help in steadfastness and prayer. But that is a very hard thing, except for the humble. (2:45)  
You who believe! Seek help in steadfastness and prayer. Allah is with the steadfast. (2:153)

We will test you with a certain amount of fear and hunger and loss of wealth and life and fruits. But give good news to the steadfast: (2:155)

When they came out against Goliath and his troops, they said, 'Our Lord, pour down steadfastness upon us, and make our feet firm, and help us against this disbelieving people.' (2:250)  
You who believe, be steadfast; be supreme in steadfastness; be firm on the battlefield; and have fear of Allah; so that hopefully you will be successful. (3:200)

(The magicians said to Pharaoh,) 'You are only avenging yourself on us because we believed in our Lord's Signs when they came to us. Our Lord, pour down steadfastness upon us and take us back to You as Muslims.' (7:126)

Now Allah has made it lighter on you, knowing there is weakness in you. If there are a hundred of you who are steadfast, they will overcome two hundred; and if there are a thousand of you, they will overcome two thousand with Allah's permission. Allah is with the steadfast. (8:66)

They then produced his shirt with false blood on it. He (Yusuf's father) said, 'It is merely that your lower selves have suggested something to you which you did; but beauty lies in showing steadfastness. It is Allah alone Who is my Help in face of the event that you describe.' (12:18)

He (Yusuf's father) said, 'It's merely that your lower selves suggested something to you which you did. But beauty lies in having steadfastness. Perhaps Allah will bring them all together. He is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise.' (12:83)

So be steadfast in the face of what they say and glorify your Lord with praise before the rising of the sun and before its setting. And glorify Him during part of the night and at both ends of the day, so that hopefully you will be pleased. (20:130)

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

When Talut marched out with the army, he said, 'Allah will test you with a river. Anyone who drinks from it is not with me. But anyone who does not taste it is with me—except for him who merely scoops up a little in his hand.' But they drank from it—except for a few of them. Then when he and those who believed with him had crossed it, they said, 'We do not have the strength to face Goliath and his troops today.' But those who were sure that they were going to meet Allah said, 'How many a small force has triumphed over a much greater one by Allah's permission! Allah is with the steadfast. (2:249)

The steadfast, the truthful, the obedient, the givers, and those who seek forgiveness before dawn. (3:17)

If something good happens to you, it galls them. If something bad strikes you, they rejoice at it. But if you are steadfast and guard against evil, their scheming will not harm you in any way. Allah encompasses what they do. (3:120)

Yes indeed! But if you are steadfast and guard against evil and they come upon you suddenly, your Lord will reinforce you with five thousand angels, clearly identified. (3:125)

Or did you imagine that you were going to enter the Garden without Allah knowing those among you who had struggled and knowing the steadfast? (3:142)

Many a Prophet has been fought, when there were many thousands with him! They did not give up in the face of what assailed them in the Way of Allah, nor did they weaken, nor did they yield. Allah loves the steadfast. (3:146)

You will be tested in your wealth and in yourselves and you will hear many abusive words from those given the Book before you and from those who are idolaters. But if you are steadfast and guard against evil, that is the most resolute course to take. (3:186)

Messengers before you were also denied but they were steadfast in the face of the denial and injury they suffered until Our help arrived. There is no changing the Words of Allah. And news of other Messengers has come to you. (6:34)

Musa said to his people, 'Seek help in Allah and be steadfast. The earth belongs to Allah. He bequeathes it to any of His servants He wills. The successful outcome is for those who guard against evil.' (7:128)

And We bequeathed to the people who had been oppressed the easternmost part of the land We had blessed, and its westernmost part as well. The most excellent Word of your Lord was fulfilled for the tribe of Israel on account of their steadfastness. And We utterly destroyed what Pharaoh and his people made and the buildings they constructed. (7:137)

Obey Allah and His Messenger and do not quarrel among yourselves lest you lose heart and your momentum disappear. And be steadfast. Allah is with the steadfast. (8:46)

Follow what has been revealed to you and be steadfast until Allah's judgement comes. He is the Best of Judges. (10:109)

Except for those who are steadfast and do right actions. They will receive forgiveness and a large reward. (11:11)

That is some of the news of the Unseen which We reveal to you. Neither you nor your people knew it before this time. So be steadfast. The best end result is for those who guard against evil. (11:49)

And be steadfast. Allah does not let the wage of good-doers go to waste. (11:115)

They said, 'Are you Yusuf?' He said, 'I am indeed Yusuf, and this here is my brother. Allah has acted graciously to us. As for those who fear Allah and are steadfast, Allah does not allow to go to waste the wage of any people who do good.' (12:90)

Those who are steadfast in seeking the face of their Lord, and perform prayer and give from the provision We have given them, secretly and openly, and stave off evil with good, it is they who will have the Ultimate Abode. (13:22)

... Angels will enter in to welcome them from every gate: 'Peace be upon you because of your steadfastness! How wonderful is the Ultimate Abode!' (13:23-24)

We sent Musa with Our Signs: 'Bring your people from the darkness to the light and remind them of the Days of Allah.' There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast, thankful. (14:5)

(Their Messengers said,) 'And why indeed should we not put our trust in Allah when He has guided us to our ways? We will be steadfast however much you harm us. Those who trust put their trust in Allah.' (14:12)

(Believers are) those who are steadfast and put their trust in their Lord. (16:42)

What is with you runs out but what is with Allah goes on for ever. Those who were steadfast will be recompensed according to the best of what they did. (16:96)

But to those who migrated after they were persecuted and then strived and remained steadfast, to them your Lord is All-Compassionate, Most Merciful. (16:110)

And Isma'il and Idris and Dhu'l-Kifl—each one was among the steadfast. (21:85)

... Give good news to the humble-hearted, whose hearts quake at the mention of Allah, and who are steadfast in the face of all that happens to them, those who perform prayer and give of what We have provided for them. (22:34-35)

(Allah will say,) 'Today I have rewarded them for being steadfast. They are the ones who are victorious.' (23:111)

We never sent any Messengers before you who did not eat food and walk in the market-place. But We have made some of you a trial for others to see if you will be steadfast? Your Lord sees everything. (25:20)

Such people will be repaid for their steadfastness with the Highest Paradise, where they will meet with welcome and with 'Peace'. (25:75)

They will be given their reward twice over because they have been steadfast and because they ward off the bad with the good and give from what we have provided for them. (28:54)

But those who had been given knowledge said, 'Woe to you! Allah's reward is better for those who believe and act rightly. But only the steadfast will obtain it.' (28:80)

(Believers are) those who are steadfast and put their trust in their Lord. (29:59)

So be steadfast. Allah's promise is true. Do not let those who have no certainty make you impatient and shake your firmness. (30:60)

(Luqman said,) 'My son, perform prayer and command what is right and forbid what is wrong and be steadfast in the face of all that happens to you. That is certainly the most resolute course to follow. (31:17)

Do you not see that ships sail on the sea by Allah's blessing so that He can show you something of His Signs? There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast and thankful. (31:31)

We appointed leaders from among them, guiding by Our command when they were steadfast and when they had certainty about Our Signs. (32:24)

Men and women who are Muslims, men and women who are believers, men and women who are obedient, men and women who are truthful, men and women who are steadfast, men and women who are humble, men and women who give charity, men and women who fast, men and women who guard their chastity, men and women who remember Allah much: Allah has prepared forgiveness for them and an immense reward. (33:35)

They said, 'Our Lord, put more distance between our staging posts.' They wronged themselves so We made legends of them and scattered them without a trace. There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast and thankful. (34:19)

Be steadfast in the face of what they say and remember Our servant Dawud, who possessed true strength. He truly turned to his Lord. (38:17) (We said to Ayyub,) 'Take a bundle of rushes in your hand and strike with that but do not break

your oath.' We found him steadfast. What an excellent servant! He truly turned to his Lord. (38:44)

Say: 'Servants of Mine who believe! Have fear of your Lord. For those who do good in this world there is good and Allah's earth is spacious. The steadfast will be paid their wages in full without any reckoning.' (39:10)

So remain steadfast. Allah's promise is true. Ask forgiveness for your wrong action and glorify your Lord with praise in the evening and the early morning. (40:55)

So be steadfast, Allah's promise is true. Whether We show you some of what We have promised them, or take you back to Us, they will in any case be returned to Us. (40:77)

If they are steadfast, the Fire will still be their residence! If they ask for favour, no favour will be given. (41:24)

None will obtain it but those who are truly steadfast. None will obtain it but those who have great good fortune. (41:35)

If He wills He makes the wind stop blowing and then they lie motionless on its back. There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast and thankful. (42:33)

So be steadfast as the Messengers with firm resolve were also steadfast. And do not seek to hasten it for them. On the Day they see what they were promised, it will be as if they had only tarried for just one hour of a single day. It has been transmitted! Will any be destroyed except for deviant people? (46:35)

We will test you until We know the true fighters among you and those who are steadfast and test what is reported of you. (47:31)

So wait steadfastly for the judgement of your Lord—you are certainly before Our eyes. And glorify and praise your Lord when you get up. (52:48)

We will send the she-camel as a trial for them. Just keep a watchful eye on them and be steadfast. (54:27)

So wait steadfastly for the judgement of your Lord. Do not be like the Companion of the Fish when he called out in absolute despair. (68:48)

Be steadfast in the face of what they say and cut

yourself off from them—but courteously. (73:10)  
Be steadfast for your Lord. (74:7)  
And (Allah) will reward them for their steadfastness with a Garden and with silk. (76:12)  
(The steep ascent is) then to be one of those who believe and urge each other to steadfastness and urge each other to compassion. (90:17)  
By the Late Afternoon, truly man is in loss—except for those who believe and do right actions and urge each other to the truth and urge each other to steadfastness. (103:1-3)

### **STEEP**

But he has not braved the steep ascent. What will convey to you what the steep ascent is? It is freeing a slave or feeding on a day of hunger an orphaned relative or a poor man in the dust; then to be one of those who believe and urge each other to steadfastness and urge each other to compassion. (90:11-17)

### **STONE**

If you have doubts about what We have sent down to Our servant, produce another sura equal to it, and call your witnesses, besides Allah, if you are telling the truth. If you do not do that—and you will not do it—then fear the Fire whose fuel is people and stones, made ready for the disbelievers. (2:23-24)

You who believe! Wine and gambling, stone altars and divining arrows are filth from the handiwork of Satan. Avoid them completely so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:90)

And they say, 'Allah, if this is really the truth from You, rain down stones on us out of heaven or send a painful punishment down on us.' (8:32)

When Our command came, We turned their cities upside down and rained down on them stones of hard baked clay. (11:82)

We turned the place completely upside down and rained down on them stones of hard-baked clay. (15:74)

Do you feel secure against Him causing the shore to swallow you up or sending against you a sudden squall of stones? Then you will find no one to be your guardian. (17:68)

We seized each one of them for their wrong ac-

tions. Against some We sent a sudden squall of stones; some of them were seized by the Great Blast; some We caused the earth to swallow up; and some We drowned. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (29:40)  
We unleashed a sudden squall of stones against all of them, except the family of Lut, who We rescued before dawn. (54:34)

Or do you feel secure against Him Who is in heaven releasing against you a sudden squall of stones, so that you will know how true My warning was? (67:17)

Did He not bring all their schemes to nothing, unleashing upon them flock after flock of birds, bombarding them with stones of hard-baked clay, making them like stripped wheat-stalks eaten bare? (105:2-5)

### **STORE**

He (Yusuf) said, 'Entrust the country's stores to me. In truth I am a knowing guardian.' (12:55)

There is nothing that does not have its stores with Us and We only send it down in a known measure. (15:21)

We send forth the pollinating winds and send down water from the sky and give it to you to drink. And it is not you who keep its stores. (15:22)

Say: 'Even if you possessed the vast storehouses of my Lord's mercy, you would still hold back, fearing they would run out.' (17:100)

So he (Musa) drew water for them and then withdrew into the shade and said, 'My Lord, I am truly in need of any good You have in store for me.' (28:24)

### **STRIVING IN THE WAY OF ALLAH**

Those who believe and migrate and strive in the Way of Allah can expect Allah's mercy. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:218)

They would like you to disbelieve as they disbelieve so that you will all be the same. Do not take any of them as friends until they have migrated in the Way of Allah. But if they run away then seize them and kill them wherever you find them. Do not take any of them as either a friend or helper. (4:89)

Those believers who stay behind—other than those forced to by necessity—are not the same as those who strive in the Way of Allah, sacrificing their wealth and themselves. Allah has given those who strive with their wealth and themselves a higher rank than those who stay behind. Allah has promised the Best to both, but Allah has preferred those who strive over those who stay behind by an immense reward. (4:95)

You who believe! Have fear of Allah and seek the means of drawing near to Him, and strive in His Way, so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:35)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah, and those who have given refuge and help, they are the friends and protectors of one another. But as for those who believe but have not migrated, you are not in any way responsible for their protection until they migrate. But if they ask you for help in respect of the religion, it is your duty to help them, except against people you have a treaty with. Allah sees what you do. (8:72)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived in the Way of Allah and those who have given refuge and help, they are the true believers. They will have forgiveness and generous provision. (8:74)

Those who believe and migrate later on and accompany you in striving, they also are of your number. But blood relations are closer to one another in the Book of Allah. Allah has knowledge of all things. (8:75)

Or did you suppose that you would be left without Allah knowing those of you who have strived and who have not taken anyone as their intimate friends besides Allah and His Messenger and the believers? Allah is aware of what you do. (9:16) Do you make the giving of water to the pilgrims and looking after the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) the same as believing in Allah and the Last Day and striving in the Way of Allah? They are not equal in the sight of Allah. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (9:19)

Those who believe and migrate and strive in the Way of Allah with their wealth and themselves

have a higher rank with Allah. They are the ones who are victorious. (9:20)

Say: 'If your fathers or your sons or your brothers or your wives or your tribe, or any wealth you have acquired, or any business you fear may slump, or any house which pleases you, are dearer to you than Allah and His Messenger and striving in His Way, then wait until Allah brings about His command. Allah does not guide people who are deviators.' (9:24)

Go out to fight, light-armed and heavy-armed, and strive with your wealth and yourselves in the Way of Allah. That is better for you if you only knew. (9:41)

Those who believe in Allah and the Last Day do not ask you to excuse them from striving with their wealth and themselves. Allah knows the people who guard against evil. (9:44)

O Prophet, strive against the disbelievers and hypocrites and be harsh with them. Their shelter will be Hell. What an evil destination! (9:73)

Those who were left behind were glad to stay behind the Messenger of Allah. They did not want to strive with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah. They said, 'Do not go out to fight in the heat.' Say: 'The Fire of Hell is much hotter, if they only understood.' (9:81)

When a sura is sent down saying: 'Believe in Allah and strive together with His Messenger,' those among them with wealth will ask you to excuse them, saying, 'Let us remain with those who stay behind.' (9:86)

But the Messenger and those who believe along with him have strived with their wealth and with themselves. They are the people who will have the good things. They are the ones who are successful. (9:88)

But to those who migrated after they were persecuted and then strived and remained steadfast, to them your Lord is All-Compassionate, Most Merciful. (16:110)

Strive for Allah with the striving due to Him. He has selected you and not placed any constraint upon you in the religion—the religion of your forefather Ibrahim. He named you Muslims before and also in this, so that the Messenger could be witness against you and you could be wit-

nesses against all mankind. So perform prayer and give the alms and hold fast to Allah. He is your Protector—the Best Protector, the Best Helper. (22:78)

Whoever strives does it entirely for himself. Allah is Rich Beyond Need of any being. (29:6)

As for those who strive in Our Way, We will guide them to Our Paths. Truly Allah is with the good-doers. (29:69)

The believers are only those who have believed in Allah and His Messenger and then have had no doubt and have strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah. They are the ones who are true to their word. (49:15)

You who believe! Do not take My enemy and your enemy as friends, showing love for them when they have rejected the truth that has come to you, driving out the Messenger and yourselves simply because you believe in Allah your Lord. If you go out to strive in My Way and seeking My pleasure, keeping secret the love you have for them, I know best what you conceal and what you make known. Any of you who do that have strayed from the right way. (60:1)

You who believe! Shall I direct you to a transaction which will save you from a painful punishment? It is to believe in Allah and His Messenger and strive in the Way of Allah with your wealth and your selves. That is better for you if you only knew. (61:10-11)

O Prophet! Strive against the disbelievers and hypocrites and be harsh with them. Their refuge is Hell. What an evil destination! (66:9)

## STUDYING

It is not right for any human being that Allah should give him the Book and Judgement and Prophethood, and then that he should say to people, ‘Be worshippers of me rather than Allah.’ Rather he will say, ‘Be people of the Lord because of your knowledge of the Book and because you study.’ (3:79)

That is how We vary the Signs, so that they say, ‘You have been studying,’ and so We can make it clear to people who know. (6:105)

So you cannot say: ‘The Book was only sent down to the two groups before us and we were

ignorant of their studies.’ (6:156)

We have not given them any books which they are studying nor did We send, before you, any warner to them. (34:44)

Or do you have a Book which you study? (68:37)

## SUCCESS

They are the people guided by their Lord. They are the ones who have success. (2:5)

They will ask you about the crescent moons. Say, ‘They are set times for mankind and for the pilgrimage.’ It is not devoutness for you to enter houses by the back. Rather devoutness is possessed by those who guard against evil. So come to houses by their doors and have fear of Allah, so that hopefully you will be successful. (2:189) Let there be a community among you who call to the good, and enjoin the right, and forbid the wrong. They are the ones who have success. (3:104)

You who believe! Do not feed on usury, multiplied and then remultiplied. Have fear of Allah so that hopefully you will be successful. (3:130)

You who believe, be steadfast; be supreme in steadfastness; be firm on the battlefield; and have fear of Allah; so that hopefully you will be successful. (3:200)

Those who anticipate the worst for you say, ‘Were we not with you?’ whenever you gain a victory from Allah, but if the disbelievers have a success they say, ‘Did we not have the upper hand over you and yet in spite of that keep the believers away from you?’ Allah will judge between you on the Day of Rising. Allah will not give the disbelievers any way against the believers. (4:141)

You who believe! Have fear of Allah and seek the means of drawing near to Him, and strive in His Way, so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:35)

You who believe! Wine and gambling, stone altars and divining arrows are filth from the handiwork of Satan. Avoid them completely so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:90)

Say: ‘Bad things and good things are not the same, even though the abundance of the bad things may seem attractive to you.’ Have fear of

Allah, people of intelligence, so that hopefully you will be successful. (5:100)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs? The wrongdoers are certainly not successful. (6:21)

Say: 'My people, do as you are doing, just as I am doing. You will certainly come to know who will have the best home in the end. The wrongdoers will certainly not be successful.' (6:135)

The weighing that Day will be the truth. As for those whose scales are heavy, they are the successful. (7:8)

Or are you astonished that a reminder should come to you from your Lord by way of a man among you in order to warn you? Remember when He appointed you successors to the people of Nuh, and increased you greatly in stature. Remember Allah's blessings, so that hopefully you will be successful.' (7:69)

Musa said to his people, 'Seek help in Allah and be steadfast. The earth belongs to Allah. He bequeathes it to any of His servants He wills. The successful outcome is for those who guard against evil.' (7:128)

(Allah said, 'Believers are) those who follow the Messenger, the Ummi, whom they find written down with them in the Torah and the Gospel, commanding them to do right and forbidding them to do wrong, making good things lawful for them and bad things forbidden for them, relieving them of their heavy loads and the chains which were around them. Those who believe in him and honour him and help him, and follow the Light that has been sent down with him, they are the ones who are successful.' (7:157)

You who believe! When you meet a troop, stand firm and remember Allah repeatedly so that hopefully you will be successful. (8:45)

But the Messenger and those who believe along with him have strived with their wealth and with themselves. They are the people who will have the good things. They are the ones who are successful. (9:88)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs? Evildoers are certainly not successful. (10:17)

Say: 'People who invent lies against Allah will not be successful.' (10:69)

Musa said, 'Do you say to the truth when it comes to you, "This is magic"? Magicians are not successful.' (10:77)

He (Shu'ayb) said, 'My people! What do you think? If I do possess a Clear Sign from my Lord and He has given me His good provision, I would clearly not want to go behind your backs and do something I have forbidden you to do. I only want to put things right as far as I can. My success is with Allah alone. I have put my trust in Him and I turn to Him.' (11:88)

Do not say about what your lying tongues describe: 'This is lawful and this is forbidden,' inventing lies against Allah. Those who invent lies against Allah are not successful. (16:116)

That was the situation when we woke them up so they could question one another. One of them asked, 'How long have you been here?' They replied, 'We have been here for a day or part of a day.' They said, 'Your Lord knows best how long you have been here. Send one of your number into the city with this silver you have, so he can see which food is purest and bring you some of it to eat. But he should go about with caution so that no one is aware of you, for if they find out about you they will stone you or make you revert to their religion and then you will never have success.' (18:19-20)

You who believe! Bow and prostrate and worship your Lord, and do good, so that hopefully you will be successful. (22:77)

It is the believers who are successful. (23:1)

Those whose scales are heavy, they are the unsuccessful. (23:102)

Whoever calls on another god together with Allah, has no grounds for doing so at all and his reckoning is with his Lord. Truly the disbelievers have no success. (23:117)

Say to the believing women that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity and not display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands' fathers, or their sons or

their husbands' sons or their brothers or their brothers' sons or their sisters' sons or other women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children who still have no awareness of women's private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

The reply of the believers when they are summoned to Allah and His Messenger so that he can judge between them, is to say, 'We hear and we obey.' They are ones who are successful. (24:51)

Musa said, 'My Lord knows best who has come with guidance from Him and who will have the best Home in the end. The wrongdoers will certainly not be successful.' (28:37)

But as for those who repent and act rightly, they will hopefully be successful. (28:67)

Those who had longed to take his place the day before woke up saying, 'Allah expands the provision of any of His servants He wills or restricts it. If Allah had not shown great kindness to us, we would have been swallowed up as well. Ah! Truly the disbelievers are not successful.' (28:82) That abode of the hereafter—We grant it to those who do not seek to exalt themselves in the earth or to cause corruption in it. The successful outcome is for those who guard against evil. (28:83) Give relatives their due, and the poor and travellers. That is best for those who seek the pleasure of Allah. They are the ones who are successful. (30:38)

Such people are following guidance from their Lord. They are the ones who are successful. (31:5)

You will not find people who believe in Allah and the Last Day having love for anyone who opposes Allah and His Messenger, though they be their fathers, their sons, their brothers or their clan. Allah has inscribed faith upon such people's hearts and will reinforce them with a Spirit from Him and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. Such people are

the party of Allah. Truly it is the party of Allah who are successful. (58:22)

Those who were already settled in the abode, and in faith, before they came, love those who have migrated to them and do not find in their hearts any need for what they have been given and prefer them to themselves even if they themselves are needy. It is the people who are safeguarded from the avarice of their own selves who are successful. (59:9)

Then when the prayer is finished spread through the earth and seek Allah's bounty and Allah much so that hopefully you will be successful. (62:10)

So have fear of Allah, as much as you are able to, and listen and obey and spend for your own benefit. It is the people who are safe-guarded from the avarice of their own selves who are successful. (64:16)

He who has purified himself will have success. (87:14)

## SUCCESSION - SUCCESSOR

When your Lord said to the angels, 'I am putting a successor (khalif) on the earth,' they said, 'Why put on it one who will cause corruption on it and shed blood when we glorify You with praise and proclaim Your purity?' He said, 'I know what you do not know.' (2:30)

We gave Musa the Book and sent a succession of Messengers after him. We gave 'Isa, son of Maryam, the Clear Signs and reinforced him with the Purest Spirit. Why then, whenever a Messenger came to you with something your lower selves did not desire, did you grow arrogant, and deny some of them and murder others? (2:87)

It is He Who appointed you successors (khalif) on the earth and raised some of you above others in rank so He could test you regarding what He has given you. Your Lord is Swift in Retribution; and He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (6:165) (Hud said to his people,) 'Or are you astonished that a reminder should come to you from your Lord by way of a man among you in order to warn you? Remember when He appointed you successors to the people of Nuh, and increased

you greatly in stature. Remember Allah's blessings, so that hopefully you will be successful.' (7:69)

(Salih said to his people,) 'Remember when He appointed you successors to 'Ad and settled you in the land. You built palaces on its plains and carved out houses from the mountains. Remember Allah's blessings and do not go about the earth, corrupting it.' (7:74)

They said, 'We suffered harm before you came to us and after you came to us.' He (Musa) said, 'It may well be that your Lord is going to destroy your enemy and make you the successors in the land so that He can see how you behave.' (7:129)

We set aside thirty nights for Musa and then completed them with ten, so the appointed time of his Lord was forty nights in all. Musa said to his brother Harun, 'Be my successor (khalif) among my people. Keep order and do not follow the way of the corrupters.' (7:142)

Then We appointed you after them to be successors (khalif) on the earth so We might observe how you would act. (10:14)

But they denied him (Nuh) so We rescued him, and all those with him, in the Ark and We made them the successors and We drowned the people who denied Our Signs. See the final fate of those who were warned! (10:73)

Everyone has a succession of angels in front of him and behind him, guarding him by Allah's command. Allah never changes a people's state until they change what is in themselves. When Allah desires evil for a people, there is no averting it. They have no protector apart from Him. (13:11)

Allah has promised those of you who believe and do right actions that He will make them successors in the land as He made those before them successors, and will firmly establish for them their religion with which He is pleased and give them, in place of their fear, security. 'They worship Me, not associating anything with Me.' Any who disbelieve after that, such people are deviators. (24:55)

He Who responds to the oppressed when they call on Him and removes their distress, and has appointed you as successors (khalif) of the earth. Is there another god besides Allah? How little

you pay heed! (27:62)

It is He Who made you successors (khalif) on the earth. So whoever disbelieves, his disbelief is against himself. In Allah's sight, the disbelief of the disbelievers only increases their loathsomeness; the disbelief of the disbelievers only increases their loss. (35:39)

(We said), 'Dawud! We have made you a successor (khalif) on the earth, so judge between people with truth and do not follow your own desires, letting them misguide you from the Way of Allah. Those who are misguided from the Way of Allah will receive a harsh punishment because they forgot the Day of Reckoning.' (38:26)

Believe in Allah and His Messenger and give of that to which He has made you successors. Those of you who believe and give will have an immense reward. (57:7)

What is the matter with you that you do not hope for honour from Allah, when He created you by successive stages? (71:13-14)

(I swear) by those sent forth in succession, (77:1)  
When the stars fall in rapid succession. (81:2)

## SUCKLING

Forbidden for you are: your mothers and your daughters and your sisters, your maternal aunts and your paternal aunts, your brothers' daughters and your sisters' daughters, your foster mothers who have suckled you, your foster sisters by suckling, your wives' mothers, your stepdaughters who are under your protection: the daughters of your wives whom you have had sexual relations with (though if you have not had sexual relations with them there is nothing blameworthy for you in it then), the wives of your sons whom you have fathered, and marrying two sisters at the same time—except for what may have already taken place. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:23)

We revealed to Musa's mother, 'Suckle him and then when you fear for him cast him into the sea. Do not fear or grieve; We will return him to you and make him one of the Messengers.' (28:7)

Let them live where you live, according to your means. Do not put pressure on them, so as to harass them. If they are pregnant, maintain them

until they give birth. If they are suckling for you, give them their wages and consult together with correctness and courtesy. But if you make things difficult for one another, another woman should do the suckling for you. (65:6)

### **SULAYMAN (AS) (SOLOMON)**

They follow what the Satans recited in the reign of Sulayman. Sulayman did not disbelieve, but the Satans did, teaching people sorcery and what had been sent down to Harut and Marut, the two angels in Babylon, who taught no one without first saying to him, 'We are merely a trial and temptation, so do not disbelieve.' People learned from them how to separate a man and his wife but they cannot harm anyone by it, except with Allah's permission. They have learned what will harm them and will not benefit them. They know that any who deal in it will have no share in the hereafter. What an evil thing they have sold themselves for if they only knew! (2:102)

We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh and the Prophets who came after him. And We revealed to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and 'Isa and Ayyub and Yunus and Harun and Sulayman. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (4:163)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, each of whom We guided. And before him We had guided Nuh. And among his descendants were Dawud and Sulayman, and Ayyub, Yusuf, Musa and Harun. That is how We recompense the good-doers. (6:84)

And to Sulayman We gave the fiercely blowing wind, speeding at his command towards the land which We had blessed. And We had full knowledge of everything. And some of the Satans dived for him and did other things apart from that. And We were watching over them. (21:81-82)

We gave knowledge to Dawud and Sulayman who said, 'Praise be to Allah Who has favoured us over many of His servants who are believers.' Sulayman was Dawud's heir. He said, 'Mankind! We have been taught the speech of birds and we have been given everything. This is indeed clear favour.' Sulayman's troops, made up of jinn and men and birds, were assembled for him, paraded

in tight ranks. Then, when they reached the Valley of the Ants, an ant said, 'Ants! Enter your dwellings so that Sulayman and his troops do not crush you unwittingly.' He smiled, laughing at its words, and said, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing You have bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You, and admit me, by Your mercy, among Your servants who are righteous.' He inspected the birds and said, 'How is it that I do not see the hoopoe? Or is it absent without leave? I will certainly punish it most severely or slaughter it if it does not bring me clear authority.' However, it was not long delayed, and then it said, 'I have comprehended something you have not and bring you accurate intelligence from Sheba. I found a woman ruling over them who has been given everything. She possesses a mighty throne. I found both her and her people prostrating to the sun instead of Allah. Satan has made their actions seem good to them and debarred them from the Way so they are not guided and do not prostrate to Allah, Who brings out what is hidden in the heavens and the earth, and knows what you conceal and what you divulge. Allah—there is no god but Him—the Lord of the Mighty Throne.' He said, 'We will soon see if you have told the truth or are a liar. Take this letter of mine and deliver it to them and then withdraw from them a little and see how they respond.' She said, 'Council! A noble letter has been delivered to me. It is from Sulayman and says: "In the name of Allah, All-Merciful, Most Merciful. Do not rise up against me, but come to me in submission." ' She said, 'Council! Give me your opinion about this matter. It is not my habit to make a final decision until I have heard what you have to say.' They said, 'We possess strength and we possess great force. But the matter is in your hands so consider what you command.' She said, 'When kings enter a city, they lay waste to it and make its mightiest inhabitants the most abased. That is what they too will do. I will send them a gift and then wait and see what the messengers bring back.' When it reached Sulayman he said, 'Would you give me wealth when what Allah has given me is better than what He has given you?

No, rather it is you who delight in your gift. Return to them. We will come to them with troops they cannot face and we will expel them from it abased and humiliated.' He said, 'Council! Who among you will bring me her throne before they come to me in submission?' A demon of the jinn said, 'I will bring it to you before you get up from your seat. I am strong and trustworthy enough to do it.' He who possessed knowledge of the Book said, 'I will bring it to you before your glance returns to you.' And when he saw it standing firmly in his presence, he said, 'This is part of my Lord's favour to test me to see if I will give thanks or show ingratitude. Whoever gives thanks only does so to his own gain. Whoever is ungrateful, my Lord is Rich Beyond Need, Generous.' He said, 'Disguise her throne. We shall see whether she is guided or someone who is not guided.' Then when she came, she was asked, 'Is your throne like this?' She said, 'It is exactly like it.' 'We were given knowledge before her and were already Muslims, but what she worshipped besides Allah impeded her. She was from an unbelieving people.' She was told: 'Enter the courtyard,' but when she saw it she supposed it to be a pool and bared her legs. He said, 'It is a courtyard paved with glass.' She said, 'My Lord, I have wronged myself but I have submitted with Sulayman to the Lord of all the worlds.' (27:15-44) And We gave Sulayman power over the wind—a month's journey in the morning and a month in the afternoon. And We made a fount of molten brass flow out for him. And some of the jinn worked in front of him by his Lord's permission. And if a single one of them deviates at all from Our command, We let him taste the punishment of the Searing Blaze. They made for him anything he wished: high arches and statues, huge dishes like cisterns, great built-in cooking vats. 'Work, family of Dawud, in thankfulness!' But very few of My servants are thankful. Then when We decreed that he should die, nothing divulged his death to them except the worm which ate his staff; so that when he fell down it was made clear to the jinn that if they had truly had knowledge of the Unseen they need not have stayed there suffering humiliating punishment. (34:12-14)

We gave Dawud Sulayman. What an excellent servant! He truly turned to his Lord. When swift horses, champing at the bit, were displayed before him in the afternoon, he said, 'Truly do I love the love of good, with a view to the glory of my Lord until the sun disappeared behind its veil. Return them to me!' And he set about slashing through their shanks and necks. We tested Sulayman and placed a lifeless body on his throne. Then he repented. He said, 'My Lord, forgive me and give me a kingdom the like of which will never be granted to anyone after me. Truly You are the Ever-Giving.' So We subjected the wind to him to blow at his command, softly, wherever he directed. And the Satans, every builder and diver, and others of them, yoked together in chains. 'This is Our gift: so bestow it or withhold it without reckoning.' He will have nearness to Us and a good Homecoming. (38:30-40)

## SUMMONING

Remember when you were scrambling up the slope, refusing to turn back for anyone, and the Messenger was calling to you from the rear. Allah rewarded you with one distress in return for another so you would not feel grief for what escaped you or what assailed you. Allah is aware of what you do. (3:153)

(Believers say,) 'Our Lord, we heard a caller calling us to faith: "Believe in your Lord!" and we believed. Our Lord, forgive us our wrong actions, erase our bad actions from us and take us back to You with those who are truly good.' (3:193)

They said, 'Salih, we had great hopes in you before this happened. Do you forbid us to worship what our fathers worshipped? We have grave doubts about what you are calling us to.' (11:62) Say: 'This is my way. I call to Allah with inner sight, I and all who follow me. Glory be to Allah! I am not one of the idolaters!' (12:108)

Those to whom We gave the Book rejoice at what has been sent down to you but some of the parties refuse to acknowledge part of it. Say: 'I have only been ordered to worship Allah and not to associate anything with Him. I summon to Him and to Him I will return.' (13:36)

Has news not reached you of those who came

before you, the peoples of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud, and those who came after them who are known to no one but Allah? Their Messengers came to them with Clear Signs, but they put their hands to their mouths, saying, 'We reject what you have been sent with. We have grave doubts about what you are calling us to.' (14:9)

Their Messengers said, 'Is there any doubt about Allah, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and the earth? He summons you to forgive you for your wrong actions and to defer you until a specified time.' They said, 'You are nothing but human beings like ourselves who want to debar us from what our fathers worshipped; so bring us a clear authority.' (14:10)

You are calling them to a straight path. (23:73) One of them came walking shyly up to him (Musa) and said, 'My father invites you so that he can pay you your wage for drawing water for us.' When he came to him and told him the whole story he said, 'Have no fear, you have escaped from wrongdoing people.' (28:25)

When they are told: 'Follow what Allah has sent down,' they say, 'No, we will follow what we found our fathers doing.' What! Even if Satan is calling them to the punishment of the Blazing Fire? (31:21)

So call and go straight as you have been ordered to. Do not follow their whims and desires but say, 'I believe in a Book sent down by Allah and I am ordered to be just between you. Allah is our Lord and your Lord. We have our actions and you have your actions. There is no debate between us and you. Allah will gather us all together. He is our final destination.' (42:15) Our people, respond to Allah's caller and believe in Him. He will forgive you some of your wrong actions and save you from a painful punishment. (46:31)

(A group of jinn said to their people,) 'Those who do not respond to Allah's caller cannot thwart Allah on earth and have no protectors apart from Him. Such people are clearly misguided.' (46:32) Their eyes will be downcast, darkened by debasement; for they were called on to prostrate when they were in full possession of their faculties. (68:43)

He (Nuh) said, 'My Lord, I have called my people night and day but my calling has only made them more evasive. Indeed, every time I called them to Your forgiveness, they put their fingers in their ears, wrapped themselves up in their clothes and were overweeningly arrogant. Then I called them openly.' (71:5-8)

## SUN

What about the one who argued with Ibrahim about his Lord, on the basis that Allah had given him sovereignty? Ibrahim said, 'My Lord is He Who gives life and causes to die.' He said, 'I too give life and cause to die.' Ibrahim said, 'Allah makes the sun come from the East. Make it come from the West.' And the one who was a disbeliever was dumbfounded. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (2:258)

Then when he (Ibrahim) saw the sun come up he said, 'This is my Lord! This is greater!' Then when it set he said, 'My people, I am free of what you associate with Allah!' (6:78)

It is He Who splits the sky at dawn, and appoints the night as a time of stillness and the sun and moon as a means of reckoning. That is what the Almighty, the All-Knowing has ordained. (6:96)

Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then settled Himself firmly on the Throne. He covers the day with the night, each pursuing the other urgently; and the sun and moon and stars are subservient to His command. Both creation and command belong to Him. Blessed be Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (7:54)

It is He Who appointed the sun to give radiance, and the moon to give light, assigning it phases so you would know the number of years and the reckoning of time. Allah did not create these things except with truth. We make the Signs clear for people who know. (10:5)

When Yusuf told his father, 'Father! I saw eleven bright stars, and the sun and moon as well. I saw them all prostrate in front of me.' (12:4)

Allah is He Who raised up the heavens without any support—you can see that—and then established Himself firmly on the Throne. He made the sun and moon subservient, each running for

a specified term. He directs the whole affair. He makes the Signs clear so that hopefully you will be certain about the meeting with your Lord. (13:2)

And He has made the sun and moon subservient to you holding steady to their courses, and He has made the night and day subservient to you. (14:33)

He has made night and day subservient to you, and the sun and moon and stars, all subject to His command. There are certainly Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (16:12)

Perform prayer from the time the sun declines until the darkening of the night, and also the recitation at dawn. The dawn recitation is certainly witnessed. (17:78)

You would have seen the sun, when it rose, inclining away from their cave towards the right, and, when it set, leaving them behind on the left, while they were lying in an open part of it. That was one of Allah's Signs. Whoever Allah guides is truly guided. But if He misguides someone, you will find no protector for them to guide them rightly. (18:17)

So he followed a way until he reached the setting of the sun and found it setting in a muddy spring and found a people by it. We said, 'Dhu'l-Qarnayn! You can either punish them or else you can treat them with gentleness.' (18:85-86)

Then he (Dhu'l-Qarnayn) followed a way until he reached the rising of the sun and found it rising on a people to whom We had not given any shelter from it. (18:89-90)

(We said to Adam,) 'You will not go thirsty in it (the Garden) or burn in the sun.' (20:119)

So be steadfast in the face of what they say and glorify your Lord with praise before the rising of the sun and before its setting. And glorify Him during part of the night and at both ends of the day, so that hopefully you will be pleased. (20:130)

It is He Who created night and day and the sun and moon, each one swimming in a sphere. (21:33)

Do you not see that everyone in the heavens and everyone on the earth prostrates to Allah, and the sun and moon and stars and the mountains, trees

and beasts and many of mankind? But many of them inevitably merit punishment. Those Allah humiliates will have no one to honour them. Allah does whatever He wills. (22:18)

Do you not see how your Lord stretches out shadows? If He had wished He could have made them stationary. Then We appoint the sun to be the pointer to them. (25:45)

(The hoopoe said,) 'I found both her (Queen of Sheba) and her people prostrating to the sun instead of Allah. Satan has made their actions seem good to them and debarred them from the Way so they are not guided.' (27:24)

If you ask them, 'Who created the heavens and the earth and made the sun and moon subservient?' they will say, 'Allah.' So how have they been perverted? (29:61)

Do you not see that Allah makes night merge into day and day merge into night, and that He has made the sun and moon subservient, each one running for a specified time, and that Allah is aware of what you do? (31:29)

He makes night merge into day and day merge into night, and He has made the sun and moon subservient, each one running until a specified time. That is Allah, your Lord. The Kingdom is His. Those you call on besides Him have no power over even the smallest speck. (35:13)

And the sun runs to its resting place. That is the decree of the Almighty, the All-Knowing. (36:38) It is not for the sun to overtake the moon nor for the night to outstrip the day; each one is swimming in a sphere. (36:40)

We subjected the mountains to glorify with him (Dawud) in the evening and at sunrise. (38:18)

He (Sulayman) said, 'Truly do I love the love of good, with a view to the glory of my Lord until the sun disappeared behind its veil.' (38:32)

He created the heavens and the earth with truth. He wraps the night around the day and wraps the day around the night, and has made the sun and moon subservient, each one running for a specified term. Is He not indeed the Almighty, the Endlessly Forgiving? (39:5)

Among His Signs are the night and day and the sun and moon. Do not prostrate to the sun nor to the moon. Prostrate to Allah Who created them,

if you worship Him. (41:37)

So be patient in the face of what they say and glorify your Lord with praise before the rising of the sun and before it sets. (50:39)

The sun and the moon both run with precision. (55:5)

Do you not see how He created seven heavens in layers, and placed the moon as a light in them and made the sun a blazing lamp? (71:15-16)

And (when) the sun and moon are fused together, (75:9)

Reclining in it (the Garden) on couches, they will experience there neither burning sun nor bitter cold. (76:13)

When the sun is compacted in blackness, (81:1)

By the sun and its morning brightness, (91:1)

## SUNNAH (SEE PATTERN)

## SUPPORTERS (SEE ANSAR)

### SUWA

They have hatched a mighty plot saying, "Do not abandon your gods. Do not abandon Wadd or Suwa' or Yaghuth or Ya'uq or Nasr." (71:22-23)

### SWEAR

Those who swear to abstain from sexual relations with their wives can wait for a period of up to four months. If they then retract their oath, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:226)

How will it be when a disaster strikes them because of what they have done, and then they come to you swearing by Allah: 'We desired nothing but good and reconciliation'? (4:62)

Those who believe say, 'Are these the people who swore by Allah, with their most earnest oaths, that they were with you?' Their actions have come to nothing and they now are losers. (5:53)

You who believe! When one of you is near to death and makes a will, two just men from among you should act as witnesses; or, if you are travelling when the misfortune of death occurs, two men who are strangers to you. You should detain them after prayer and, if you are doubtful, they should swear by Allah: 'We will not sell it

for any price, even to a near relative, and we will not conceal the testimony of Allah. If we did we would indeed be wrongdoers.' If it then comes to light that the two of them have merited the allegation of wrongdoing, two others who have the most right to do so should take their place and swear by Allah: 'Our testimony is truer than their testimony. We have not committed perjury. If we had we would indeed be wrongdoers.' That makes it more likely that they will give their evidence properly or be afraid that their oaths will be refuted by subsequent oaths. Have fear of Allah and listen carefully. Allah does not guide deviant people. (5:106-108)

He (Satan) swore to them, 'I am one of those who give you good advice.' (7:21)

The Companions of the Ramparts will call out to men they recognise by their mark, saying, 'What you amassed was of no use to you, nor was your arrogance. Are these the people you swore that Allah's mercy would never reach?' 'Enter the Garden. You will feel no fear and know no sorrow.' (7:48-49)

If it had been a case of easy gains and a short journey, they would have followed you, but the distance was too great for them. They will swear by Allah: 'Had we been able to, we would have gone out with you.' They are destroying their own selves. Allah knows that they are lying. (9:42)

They swear by Allah that they are of your number, but they are not of your number. Rather, they are people who are scared. (9:56)

They swear to you by Allah in order to please you, but it would be more fitting for them to please Allah and His Messenger if they are believers. (9:62)

They will swear to you to make you pleased with them, but even if you are pleased with them, Allah is certainly not pleased with deviant people. (9:96)

As for those who have set up a mosque, causing harm and out of disbelief, to create division between the believers, and in readiness for those who previously made war on Allah and His Messenger, they will swear, 'We only desired the best.' But Allah bears witness that they are truly

liars. (9:107)

They swear by Allah with their most earnest oaths that Allah will not raise up those who die, when, on the contrary, it is a binding promise on Him; but most people do not know it. (16:38)

They have sworn by Allah with their most earnest oaths that if you give them the command, they will go out. Say: 'Do not swear. Honourable obedience is enough. Allah is aware of what you do.' (24:53)

They swore by Allah with their most earnest oaths that if a warner came to them they would be better guided than any other community. But then when a warner did come to them, it only increased their aversion. (35:42)

And I swear by the falling of the stars—and that is a mighty oath if you only knew. (56:75-76)

Do you not see those who have turned to people with whom Allah is angry? They belong neither to you nor to them. And they swear to falsehood and do so knowingly. (58:14)

On the Day Allah raises up all of them together they will swear to Him just as they have sworn to you and imagine they have something to stand upon. No indeed! It is they who are the liars. (58:18)

I swear both by what you see. (69:38)

No! I swear by the Lord of the Easts and Wests that We have the power. (70:40)

No! I swear by the planets with their retrograde motion, (81:15)

No, I swear by the evening glow, (84:16)

I swear by this city, (90:1)

## TABLE

And when the Disciples said, "Isa son of Maryam! Can your Lord send down a table to us out of heaven?" He said, 'Have fear of Allah if you are believers!' (5:112)

'Isa son of Maryam said, 'Allah, our Lord, send down a table to us out of heaven to be a feast for us, for the first and last of us, and as a Sign from You. Provide for us! You are the Best of Providers!' (5:114)

## TABLETS

We wrote about everything for him on the Tablets as an admonition and making all things clear. 'Seize hold of it vigorously and command your people to adopt the best in it. I will show you the home of the deviators!' (7:145)

When Musa returned to his people in anger and great sorrow, he said, 'What an evil thing you did in my absence after I left! Did you want to hasten your Lord's command?' He threw down the Tablets and seized hold of his brother's head, dragging him towards him. Harun said, 'Son of my mother, The people oppressed me and almost killed me. Do not give my enemies cause to gloat over me. Do not include me with the wrongdoing people.' (7:150)

When Musa's anger abated he picked up the Tablets and in their inscription was guidance and mercy for all of them who feared their Lord. (7:154)

## TABUK (SEE EXPEDITION TO TABUK)

### TACTICS MADE AND PRECAUTIONS TAKEN DURING THE BATTLE

You who believe! Take all necessary precautions, then go out to fight in separate groups or go out as one body. (4:71)

You who believe! When you go out to fight in the Way of Allah verify things carefully. Do not say, 'You are not a believer', to someone who greets you as a Muslim, simply out of desire for the goods of this world. With Allah there is booty in abundance. That is the way you were before but

Allah has been kind to you. So verify things carefully. Allah is aware of what you do. (4:94)

When you are with them and leading them in prayer, a group of them should stand with you, keeping hold of their weapons. When they prostrate, the others should guard your backs. Then the other group who have not yet prayed should come and pray with you. They too should be careful and keep hold of their weapons. Those who disbelieve would like you to be negligent of your arms and equipment so that they can swoop down on you once and for all. There is nothing wrong, if you are bothered by rain or you are ill, in laying your weapons down; but take every precaution. Allah has prepared a humiliating punishment for the disbelievers. (4:102)

You who believe! When you encounter those who disbelieve advancing in massed ranks into battle, do not turn your backs on them. (8:15)

Anyone who turns his back on them that day, unless he is withdrawing to rejoin the fight or withdrawing to support another group, brings Allah's anger down upon himself. His refuge is Hell. What an evil destination! (8:16)

If you fear treachery on the part of a people, revoke your treaty with them mutually. Allah does not love treacherous people. (8:58)

Arm yourselves against them with all the fire-power and cavalry you can muster, to terrify the enemies of Allah and your enemies, and others besides them whom you do not know. Allah knows them. Anything you spend in the Way of Allah will be repaid to you in full. You will not be wronged. (8:60)

If they incline to peace, you too incline to it, and put your trust in Allah. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing. (8:61)

If they had really desired to go out (to fight), they would have made proper preparations for it, but Allah was averse to their setting out so He held them back and they were told: 'Stay behind with those who stay behind.' (9:46)

Allah has made shaded places for you in what He has created and He has made shelters for you in the mountains and He has made shirts for you to protect you from the heat and shirts to protect you from each other's violence. In that way He

perfects His blessing on you so that hopefully you will become Muslims. (16:81)  
We taught him the art of making garments for you to protect you against each others' violence. But do you show any thanks? (21:80)

### **TAFAKKUR (SEE PONDER; SEE REFLECT)**

### **TAQWA (SEE FEAR OF ALLAH; HEED; GUARDING AGAINST EVIL)**

#### **TALUT**

Their Prophet said to them, 'Allah has appointed Talut to be your king.' They said, 'How can he have kingship over us when we have much more right to kingship than he does? He has not even got much wealth!' He said, 'Allah has chosen him over you and favoured him greatly in knowledge and physical strength. Allah gives kingship to anyone He wills. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing.' (2:247)

Their Prophet said to them, 'The sign of his kingship is that the Ark will come to you, containing serenity from your Lord and certain relics left by the families of Musa and Harun. It will be borne by angels. There is a sign for you in that if you are believers.' (2:248)

When Talut marched out with the army, he said, 'Allah will test you with a river. Anyone who drinks from it is not with me. But anyone who does not taste it is with me—except for him who merely scoops up a little in his hand.' But they drank from it—except for a few of them. Then when he and those who believed with him had crossed it, they said, 'We do not have the strength to face Goliath and his troops today.' But those who were sure that they were going to meet Allah said, 'How many a small force has triumphed over a much greater one by Allah's permission! Allah is with the steadfast.' (2:249)

When they came out against Goliath and his troops, they said, 'Our Lord, pour down steadfastness upon us, and make our feet firm, and help us against this disbelieving people.' (2:250) And with Allah's permission they routed them. Dawud killed Goliath and Allah gave him kingship and wisdom and taught him whatever He

willed. If it were not for Allah's driving some people back by means of others, the earth would have been corrupted. But Allah shows favour to all the worlds. (2:251)

### **TAWAKKUL (SEE PUTTING ONE'S TRUST IN ALLAH)**

### **TAWBAH (SEE REPENTANCE)**

### **TAWHID (SEE ONENESS OF ALLAH)**

#### **TEAR**

That night they came back to their father in tears. (12:16)

Neither heaven nor earth shed any tears for them (Pharaoh and his troops) and they were granted no reprieve. (44:29)

(Has he not been informed) that it is He Who brings about both laughter and tears? (53:43)

#### **TEST - TRIAL**

Remember when We rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you—slashing your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial for you from your Lord. (2:49)

They follow what the Satans recited in the reign of Sulayman. Sulayman did not disbelieve, but the Satans did, teaching people sorcery and what had been sent down to Harut and Marut, the two angels in Babylon, who taught no one without first saying to him, 'We are merely a trial and temptation, so do not disbelieve.' People learned from them how to separate a man and his wife but they cannot harm anyone by it, except with Allah's permission. They have learned what will harm them and will not benefit them. They know that any who deal in it will have no share in the hereafter. What an evil thing they have sold themselves for if they only knew! (2:102)

Remember when Ibrahim was tested by his Lord with certain words which he carried out completely. He said, 'I will make you a model for mankind.' He asked, 'And what of my descendants?' He said, 'My contract does not include the wrongdoers.' (2:124)

We will test you with a certain amount of fear and hunger and loss of wealth and life and fruits. But give good news to the steadfast. (2:155)

When Talut marched out with the army, he said, 'Allah will test you with a river. Anyone who drinks from it is not with me. But anyone who does not taste it is with me—except for him who merely scoops up a little in his hand.' But they drank from it—except for a few of them. Then when he and those who believed with him had crossed it, they said, 'We do not have the strength to face Goliath and his troops today.' But those who were sure that they were going to meet Allah said, 'How many a small force has triumphed over a much greater one by Allah's permission! Allah is with the steadfast.' (2:249)

Allah fulfilled His promise to you when you were slaughtering them by His permission. But then you faltered, disputing the command, and disobeyed after He showed you what you love. Among you are those who want this world and among you are those who want the hereafter. Then He turned you from them in order to test you—but He has pardoned you. Allah shows favour to the believers. (3:152)

Then He sent down to you, after the distress, security, restful sleep overtaking a group of you, whereas another group became prey to anxious thoughts, thinking other than the truth about Allah—thoughts belonging to the Time of Ignorance—saying, 'Do we have any say in the affair at all?' Say, 'The affair belongs entirely to Allah.' They are concealing things inside themselves which they do not disclose to you, saying, 'If we had only had a say in the affair, none of us would have been killed here in this place.' Say, 'Even if you had been inside your homes, those people for whom killing was decreed would have gone out to their place of death.' So that Allah might test what is in your breasts and purge what is in your hearts. Allah knows the contents of your hearts. (3:154)

You will be tested in your wealth and in yourselves and you will hear many abusive words from those given the Book before you and from those who are idolaters. But if you are steadfast and guard against evil, that is the most resolute

course to take. (3:186)

And We have sent down the Book to you with truth, confirming and conserving the previous Books. So judge between them by what Allah has sent down and do not follow their whims and desires deviating from the Truth that has come to you. We have appointed a law and a practice for every one of you. Had Allah willed, He would have made you a single community, but He wanted to test you regarding what has come to you. So compete with each other in doing good. Every one of you will return to Allah and He will inform you regarding the things about which you differed. (5:48)

You who believe! Allah will test you with game animals which come within the reach of your hands and spears, so that Allah will know those who fear Him in the Unseen. Anyone who oversteps the limits after this will have a painful punishment. (5:94)

In this way We try some of them by means of others so that they say, 'Are these the people among us to whom Allah has shown His favour?' Does not Allah know best those who are thankful? (6:53)

It is He Who appointed you successors on the earth and raised some of you above others in rank so He could test you regarding what He has given you. Your Lord is Swift in Retribution; and He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (6:165)

Remember when We rescued you from Pharaoh's people who were inflicting an evil punishment on you, killing your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord. (7:141)

Musa chose seventy men from his people for Our appointed time and when the earthquake seized them he said, 'My Lord, if You had willed, You could have destroyed them previously and me as well. Would you destroy us for what the fools among us did? It was only a trial from You by which You misguided those You willed and guided those You willed. You are our Protector so forgive us and have mercy on us. You are the Best of Forgivers.' (7:155)

Ask them about the town which was by the sea when they broke the Sabbath—when their fish

came to them near the surface on their Sabbath day but did not come on the days which they did not keep the Sabbath. In this way We put them to the test because they were deviators. (7:163) You did not kill them; it was Allah Who killed them; and you did not throw, when you threw; it was Allah Who threw: so He might test the believers with this excellent trial from Him. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (8:17)

It is He Who created the heavens and the earth in six days when His Throne was on the water, in order to test which of you has the best actions. If you say, 'You will be raised up after death,' those who disbelieve will say, 'This is nothing but downright magic.' (11:7)

Do not be like a woman who spoils the thread she has spun by unravelling it after it is strong, by making your oaths a means of deceiving one another, merely because one community is bigger than another. Allah is only testing you by this. He will make clear to you on the Day of Rising the things about which you differed. (16:92)

When We said to you, 'Surely your Lord encompasses the people with His knowledge.' We only appointed the vision We showed you and the Accursed Tree in the Qur'an as a trial and temptation for the people. We frighten them, but it only increases them in their excessive insolence. (17:60)

We made everything on the earth adornment for it so that We could test them to see whose actions are the best. (18:7)

(Allah said,) 'When your sister went and said, "Shall I direct you to someone who will take care of him?" that was how We returned you to your mother so that she might delight her eyes and not be grieved. You killed a man and We rescued you from trouble and tested you with many trials. You stayed some years among the people of Madyan. Then you arrived at the pre-ordained time, Musa!' (20:40)

Do not direct your eyes longingly to what We have given certain of them to enjoy, the flower of the life of this world, so that We can test them by it. Your Lord's provision is better and longer lasting. (20:131)

Every self will taste death. We test you with both

good and evil as a trial. And you will be returned to Us. (21:35)

We did not send any Messenger or any Prophet before you without Satan insinuating something into his recitation while he was reciting. But Allah revokes whatever Satan insinuates and then Allah confirms His Signs—Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise—so that He can make what Satan insinuates a trial for those with sickness in their hearts and for those whose hearts are hard—the wrongdoers are entrenched in hostility. (22:52-53)

There are Signs in that. We are always putting people to the test. (23:30)

Do not make the Messenger's summoning of you the same as your summoning of one another. Allah knows those of you who sneak away. Those who oppose his command should beware of a testing trial coming to them or a painful punishment striking them. (24:63)

We never sent any Messengers before you who did not eat food and walk in the market-place. But We have made some of you a trial for others to see if you will be steadfast? Your Lord sees everything. (25:20)

He who possessed knowledge of the Book said, 'I will bring it to you before your glance returns to you.' And when he (Sulayman) saw it standing firmly in his presence, he said, 'This is part of my Lord's favour to test me to see if I will give thanks or show ingratitude. Whoever gives thanks only does so to his own gain. Whoever is ungrateful, my Lord is Rich Beyond Need, Generous.' (27:40)

They said, 'We see you, and those with you, as an evil omen.' He (Salih) said, 'No, your evil omen is with Allah; you are merely a people undergoing a trial.' (27:47)

Do people imagine that they will be left to say, 'We believe,' and will not be tested? (29:2)

We tested those before them so that Allah would know the truthful and would know the liars. (29:3)

When they came at you from above you and below you, when your eyes rolled and your hearts rose to your throats, and you thought unworthy thoughts about Allah, at that point the be-

lievers were tested and severely shaken. (33:10-11)

He (Dawud) said, 'He has wronged you by asking for your ewe to add to his ewes. Truly many partners are unjust to one another—except those who believe and do right actions, and how few they are!' Dawud realised that We had put him to the test. He begged forgiveness from his Lord and fell down prone, prostrating, and repented. (38:24)

We tested Sulayman and placed a lifeless body on his throne. Then he repented. (38:34)

Before them We put Pharaoh's people to the test when a noble Messenger came to them, saying 'Hand over to me the servants of Allah. I am a trustworthy Messenger to you.' (44:17-18)

Therefore when you meet those who disbelieve strike their necks. Then when you have decimated them, tie their bonds tightly and set them free or ransom them, until the war is finally over. That is how it is to be. If Allah willed, He could avenge Himself on them. But it is so that He can test some of you by means of others. As for those who fight in the Way of Allah, He will not let their actions go astray. (47:4)

We will test you until We know the true fighters among you and those who are steadfast and test what is reported of you. (47:31)

Those who lower their voices when they are with the Messenger of Allah are people whose hearts Allah has tested for heedfulness. They will have forgiveness and an immense reward. (49:3)

You who believe! When women who believe come to you as emigrants, submit them to a test. Allah has best knowledge of their faith. If you know they are believers, do not return them to the disbelievers. They are not lawful for the disbelievers nor are the disbelievers lawful for them. Give the disbelievers whatever dowry they paid. And there is nothing wrong in your marrying them provided you pay them their due. Do not hold to any marriage ties with women who disbelieve. Ask for what you paid and let them ask for what they paid. That is Allah's judgement. Allah will judge between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (60:10)

He Who created death and life to test which of

you is best in action. He is the Almighty, the Ever-Forgiving. (67:2)

If only they were to go straight on the Path, We would give them abundant water to drink so that We could test them by it. Whoever turns aside from the remembrance of his Lord, He will introduce him to an arduous punishment. (72:16-17) We created man from a mingled drop to test him, and We made him hearing and seeing. (76:2)

As for man, when his Lord tests him by honouring him and favouring him, he says, 'My Lord has honoured me!' But then when He tests him by restricting his provision, he says, 'My Lord has humiliated me!' (89:15-16)

## TEXT

If they deny you, Messengers before you were also denied, who brought the Clear Signs and written texts and the illuminating Book. (3:184)

They say, 'If only he would bring us a Sign from his Lord!' Have they not received the Clear Sign of what is written in the earlier texts? (20:133)

Or has he not been informed what is in the texts of Musa? (53:36)

This is certainly in the earlier texts, the texts of Ibrahim and Musa. (87:18-19)

The People of the Book who disbelieve and the idolaters would not be cut off until the Clear Sign came to them: a Messenger from Allah reciting purified texts. (98:1-2)

## THANKSGIVING

Then We pardoned you after that so that perhaps you would show thanks. (2:52)

Then We brought you back to life after your death, so that perhaps you would show thanks. (2:56)

Remember Me—I will remember you. Give thanks to Me and do not be ungrateful. (2:152)

You who believe! Eat of the good things We have provided for you and give thanks to Allah if you worship Him alone. (2:172)

The month of Ramadan is the one in which the Qur'an was sent down as guidance for mankind, with Clear Signs containing guidance and discrimination. Any of you who are resident for the month should fast it. But any of you who are ill or

on a journey should fast a number of other days. Allah desires ease for you; He does not desire difficulty for you. You should complete the number of days and proclaim Allah's greatness for the guidance He has given you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (2:185)

Allah helped you at Badr when you were weak so have fear of Allah, so that hopefully you will be thankful. (3:123)

Muhammad is only a Messenger and he has been preceded by other Messengers. If he were to die or be killed, would you turn on your heels? Those who turn on their heels do not harm Allah in any way. Allah will recompense the thankful. (3:144)

No self can die except with Allah's permission, at a predetermined time. If anyone desires the reward of this world, We will give him some of it. If anyone desires the reward of the hereafter, We will give him some of it. We will recompense the thankful. (3:145)

Why should Allah punish you if you are thankful and believe? Allah is All-Thankful, All-Knowing. (4:147)

You who believe! When you get up to perform prayer, wash your faces and your hands and your arms to the elbows, and wipe over your heads, and (wash) your feet to the ankles. If you are in a state of major impurity, then purify yourselves. But if you are ill or on a journey, or have come from the lavatory, or have touched women, and cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, and wipe your faces and your hands therewith. Allah does not want to make things difficult for you, but He does want to purify you and to perfect His blessing upon you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:6)

Allah does not take you to task for your inadvertent oaths, but He will take you to task for oaths you make intentionally. The expiation in that case is to feed ten poor people with the average amount you feed your family, or clothe them, or free a slave. Anyone without the means to do so should fast three days. That is the expiation for breaking oaths when you have sworn them. Keep your oaths. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will be thankful. (5:89)

In this way We try some of them by means of others so that they say, 'Are these the people among us to whom Allah has shown His favour?' Does not Allah know best those who are thankful? (6:53)

Say: 'Who rescues you from the darkness of the land and sea? You call on Him humbly and secretly: "If you rescue us from this, we will truly be among the thankful." (6:63)

We have established you firmly on the earth and granted you your livelihood in it. What little thanks you show! (7:10)

(Satan said,) 'Then I will come at them, from in front of them and behind them, from their right and from their left. You will not find most of them thankful.' (7:17)

Good land yields up its plants by its Lord's permission, but that which is bad only yields up scantily. In this way We vary the Signs for people who are thankful. (7:58)

He said, 'Musa, I have chosen you over all mankind for My Message and My Word. Take what I have given you and be among the thankful.' (7:144)

It is He Who created you from a single self and made from him his spouse so that he might find repose in her. Then when he covered her she bore a light load and carried it around. Then when it became heavy they called on Allah, their Lord, 'If You grant us a healthy child, we will be among the thankful!' (7:189)

When you were few and oppressed in the land, afraid that the people would snatch you away, He gave you refuge and supported you with His help and provided you with good things so that hopefully you would be thankful. (8:26)

It is He Who conveys you on both land and sea so that when some of you are on a boat, running before a fair wind, rejoicing at it, and then a violent squall comes upon them and the waves come at them from every side and they realise there is no way of escape, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His: 'If You rescue us from this, we will truly be among the thankful.' (10:22)

What will those who invent lies against Allah think on the Day of Rising? Allah shows favour to

mankind but most of them are not thankful. (10:60)

(Yusuf said,) 'I hold fast to the creed of my fore-bears Ibrahim and Ishaq and Ya'qub. We don't associate anything with Allah. And that is how Allah has favoured us and all mankind, but most do not give thanks.' (12:38)

We sent Musa with Our Signs: 'Bring your people from the darkness to the light and remind them of the Days of Allah.' There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast, thankful. (14:5)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord! I have settled some of my offspring by Your Sacred House in an uncultivated valley. Our Lord! Let them perform prayer! Make the hearts of mankind incline towards them and provide them with fruits, so that hopefully they will be thankful.' (14:37)

It is He Who made the sea subservient to you so that you can eat fresh flesh from it and bring out from it ornaments to wear. And you see the ships cleaving through it so that you can seek His bounty, and so that hopefully you will show thanks. (16:14)

Allah brought you out of your mothers' wombs knowing nothing at all, and gave you hearing, sight and hearts so that perhaps you would show thanks. (16:78)

So eat from what Allah has provided for you, lawful and good, and be thankful for the blessing of Allah if it is Him you worship. (16:114)

He (Ibrahim) was thankful for His blessings. Allah chose him and guided him to a straight path. (16:121)

We taught him the art of making garments for you to protect you against each others' violence, but do you show any thanks? (21:80)

We have appointed the sacrificial animals for you as one of the sacred rites of Allah. There is good in them for you, so invoke Allah's name over them, as they stand in rows. And then when they collapse on their sides, eat of them and feed both those who ask and those who are too shy to ask. In this way We have subjected them to you so that hopefully you will be thankful. (22:36)

It is He Who has created hearing, sight and hearts for you. What little thanks you show! (23:78)

It is He Who made night and day succeed each other for those who want to pay heed or to give thanks. (25:62)

He (Sulayman) smiled, laughing at its words, and said, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing You have bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You, and admit me, by Your mercy, among Your servants who are righteous.' (27:19)

He who possessed knowledge of the Book said, 'I will bring it to you before your glance returns to you.' And when he (Sulayman) saw it standing firmly in his presence, he said, 'This is part of my Lord's favour to test me to see if I will give thanks or show ingratitude. Whoever gives thanks only does so to his own gain. Whoever is ungrateful, my Lord is Rich Beyond Need, Generous.' (27:40)

Allah shows favour to mankind but most of them are not thankful. (27:73)

But part of His mercy is that He has made both night and day for you so that you can have your rest and seek His bounty, and so that hopefully you will be thankful. (28:73)

(Ibrahim said to his people,) 'Instead of Allah you worship only idols. You are inventing a lie. Those you worship besides Allah have no power to provide for you. So seek your provision from Allah and worship Him and give thanks to Him. It is to Him you will be returned.' (29:17)

Among His Signs is that He sends the winds bearing good news, to give you a taste of His mercy, and to make the ships run by His command, and to enable you to seek His bounty so that hopefully you will be thankful. (30:46)

We gave Luqman wisdom: 'Give thanks to Allah. Whoever gives thanks only does so to his own good. Whoever is ungrateful, Allah is Rich Beyond Need, Praiseworthy.' (31:12)

We have instructed man concerning his parents. Bearing him caused his mother great debility and the period of his weaning was two years: 'Give thanks to Me and to your parents. I am your final destination.' (31:14)

Do you not see that ships sail on the sea by Allah's blessing so that He can show you something of His Signs? There are certainly Signs in

that for everyone who is steadfast and thankful. (31:31)

Then (He) formed him and breathed His Spirit into him and gave you hearing, sight and hearts. What little thanks you show! (32:9)

They made for him anything he (Sulayman) wished: high arches and statues, huge dishes like cisterns, great built-in cooking vats. 'Work, family of Dawud, in thankfulness!' But very few of My servants are thankful. (34:13)

There was also a sign for Saba in their dwelling place: two gardens—one to the right and one to the left. 'Eat of your Lord's provision and give thanks to Him: a bountiful land and a forgiving Lord.' (34:15)

They said, 'Our Lord, put more distance between our staging posts.' They wronged themselves so We made legends of them and scattered them without a trace. There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast and thankful. (34:19)

The two seas are not the same: the one is sweet, refreshing, delicious to drink, the other salty, bitter to the taste. Yet from both of them you eat fresh flesh and extract ornaments for yourselves to wear; and you see ships on them, cleaving through the waves so that you can seek His bounty and so that hopefully you will be thankful. (35:12)

We place in it gardens of dates and grapes, and cause springs to gush out in it, so they may eat its fruits—they did not do it themselves. So will they not be thankful? (36:34-35)

And they have other uses for them, and milk to drink. So will they not be thankful? (36:73)

No! Worship Allah and be among the thankful. (39:66)

Allah is He Who appointed the night for you so that you might rest in it, and the day for seeing. Allah pours out His favour on mankind but most people do not show thanks. (40:61)

If He wills He makes the wind stop blowing and then they lie motionless on its back. There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast and thankful. (42:33)

It is Allah Who has made the sea subservient to you so that the ships sail on it at His command,

enabling you to seek His bounty, so that hopefully you will be thankful. (45:12)

We have instructed man to be good to his parents. His mother bore him with difficulty and with difficulty gave birth to him; and his bearing and weaning take thirty months. Then when he achieves his full strength and reaches forty, he says, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing You bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You. And make my descendants righteous. I have repented to You and I am truly one of the Muslims.' (46:15)

It was a blessing direct from Our presence. That is how We recompense those who give thanks. (54:35)

If We wished We could have made it (the water that you drink) bitter, so will you not give thanks? (56:70)

Say: 'It is He Who brought you into being and gave you hearing, sight and hearts. What little thanks you show!' (67:23)

We created man from a mingled drop to test him, and We made him hearing and seeing. We guided him on the Way, whether he is thankful or unthankful. (76:2-3)

## THATCHER

We sent a single Blast against them and they were just like a thatcher's reeds. (54:31)

## THIEF - STEALING

As for thieves, both male and female, cut off their hands in reprisal for what they have done: an object lesson from Allah. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (5:38)

Then when he (Yusuf) had supplied them with their needs, he put the goblet in his brother's bag. A herald called out, 'Caravan! You are thieves!' (12:70)

They said, 'By Allah, you know we did not come to corrupt the land and that we are not thieves.' (12:73)

They said, 'If he steals now, his brother stole before.' But Yusuf kept it to himself and still did not disclose it to them, saying, 'The plight that you are in is worse than that. Allah knows best the matter you describe.' (12:77)

(The eldest of Yusuf's brothers said,) 'Return now to your father and say to him, "Your son stole, father. We can do no more than testify to what we know and we are not the guardians of the Unseen.'" (12:81)

Mankind! An example has been made, so listen to it carefully. Those whom you call upon besides Allah are not even able to create a single fly, even if they were to join together to do it. And if a fly steals something from them, they cannot get it back. How feeble are both the seeker and the sought! (22:73)

O Prophet! When women who believe come to you pledging allegiance to you on the grounds that they will not associate anything with Allah or steal or fornicate or kill their children or give a false ascription of paternity—making up lies about their bodies—or disobey you in respect of anything right, then accept their pledge and ask forgiveness for them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (60:12)

### **THING OF THE PAST**

We made them a thing of the past, an example for later peoples. (43:56)

### **THIRST**

It was not for people of Madina, and the desert arabs around them, to remain behind the Messenger of Allah nor to prefer themselves to him. That is because no thirst or weariness or hunger will afflict them in the Way of Allah, nor will they take a single step to infuriate the disbelievers, nor secure any gain from the enemy, without a right action being written down for them because of it. Allah does not let the wage of the good-doers go to waste. (9:120)

(We said, Adam,) 'You will not go thirsty in it or burn in the sun.' (20:119)

But the actions of those who disbelieve are like a mirage in the desert. A thirsty man thinks it is water but when he reaches it, he finds it to be nothing at all, but he finds Allah there. He will pay him his account in full. Allah is swift at reckoning. (24:39)

Then you, you misguided, you deniers will eat from the tree of Zaqqum, filling your stomachs

with it and drink scalding water on top of it, slurping like thirst-crazed camels. (56:51-55)

### **THOSE FIRMLY ROOTED IN KNOWLEDGE**

It is He Who sent down the Book to you from Him: verses containing clear judgements—they are the core of the Book—and others which are open to interpretation. Those with deviation in their hearts follow what is open to interpretation in it, desiring conflict, seeking its inner meaning. No one knows its inner meaning but Allah. Those firmly rooted in knowledge say, 'We believe in it. All of it is from our Lord.' But only people of intelligence pay heed. (3:7)

But those of them who are firmly rooted in knowledge, and the believers, believe in what has been sent down to you and what was sent down before you: those who perform prayer and give the alms, and believe in Allah and the Last Day—We will pay such people an immense wage. (4:162)

### **THOSE IN COMMAND**

You who believe! Obey Allah and obey the Messenger and those in command among you. If you have a dispute about something, refer it back to Allah and the Messenger, if you believe in Allah and the Last Day. That is the best thing to do and gives the best result. (4:59)

When news of any matter reaches them they spread it about, whether it is of a reassuring or disquieting nature. If they had only referred it to the Messenger and those in command among them, those among them able to discern the truth about it would have had proper knowledge of it. If it were not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, all but a very few of you would have followed Satan. (4:83)

### **THOSE WHO FLEE FROM BATTLE**

Among you there are people who hang back and if you encounter a setback then they say, 'Allah has blessed me in that I was not there with them.' (4:72)

But if you meet with favour from Allah they say—as if there were no friendship between you

and them—‘Oh! If only I had been with them so that I too might have won a great victory.’ (4:73)  
... Do not take any of them as either a friend or helper—except for those who seek shelter with people with whom you have a treaty, or who come to you greatly perturbed at the prospect of fighting either you or their own people. If Allah had willed, He could have given them the upper hand over you and then they would have fought you. If they keep away from you and do not fight you and submit to you, Allah has not given you any way against such people. (4:89-90)

You will find others who desire to be safe from you and safe from their own people. Each time they are returned to dissension they are overwhelmed by it. If they do not keep away from you or submit to you or refrain from fighting, seize them and kill them wherever you find them. Over such people We have given you clear authority. (4:91)

You who believe! When you encounter those who disbelieve advancing in massed ranks into battle, do not turn your backs on them. (8:15)

Anyone who turns his back on them that day, unless he is withdrawing to rejoin the fight or withdrawing to support another group, brings Allah's anger down upon himself. His refuge is Hell. What an evil destination! (8:16)

You who believe! What is the matter with you that when you are told, ‘Go out and fight in the way of Allah,’ you sink down heavily to the earth? Are you happier with this world than the hereafter? Yet the enjoyment of this world is very small compared to that of the hereafter. (9:38)

If you do not go out to fight, He will punish you with a painful punishment and substitute another people in your place. You will not harm Him in any way. Allah has power over all things. (9:39)

If you do not help him, Allah did help him when those who disbelieved drove him out and there were two of them in the Cave. He said to his companion, ‘Do not be despondent, Allah is with us.’ Then Allah sent down His serenity upon him and reinforced him with troops you could not see. He made the word of those who disbelieved undermost. It is the word of Allah which is uppermost. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:40)

Go out to fight, light-armed and heavy-armed, and strive with your wealth and yourselves in the Way of Allah. That is better for you if you only knew. (9:41)

If it had been a case of easy gains and a short journey, they would have followed you, but the distance was too great for them. They will swear by Allah: ‘Had we been able to, we would have gone out with you.’ They are destroying their own selves. Allah knows that they are lying. (9:42)

Allah pardon you! Why did you excuse them until it was clear to you which of them were telling the truth and until you knew the liars? (9:43)

Those who believe in Allah and the Last Day do not ask you to excuse them from striving with their wealth and themselves. Allah knows the people who guard against evil. (9:44)

Only those who do not believe in Allah and the Last Day ask you to excuse them. Their hearts are full of doubt and in their doubt they waver to and fro. (9:45)

If they had really desired to go out (to fight), they would have made proper preparations for it, but Allah was averse to their setting out so He held them back and they were told: ‘Stay behind with those who stay behind.’ (9:46)

If they had gone out among you, they would have added nothing to you but confusion. They would have scurried about amongst you seeking to cause conflict between you, and among you there are some who would have listened to them. Allah knows the wrongdoers. (9:47)

They have already tried to cause conflict before, and turned things completely upside down for you, until the truth came and Allah's command prevailed even though they detested it. (9:48)

Among them are there some who say, ‘Give me permission to stay. Do not put temptation in my way.’ Have they not fallen into that very temptation? Hell hems in the disbelievers. (9:49)

If good happens to you it galls them. If a mishap occurs to you, they say, ‘We made our preparations in advance,’ and they turn away rejoicing. (9:50)

Say: ‘Nothing can happen to us except what

Allah has ordained for us. He is Our Master. It is in Allah that the believers should put their trust.' (9:51)

Say: 'What do you await for us except for one of the two best things? But what we await for you is for Allah to inflict a punishment on you either directly from Himself or at our hands. So wait, we are waiting with you!' (9:52)

Say: 'Whether you give readily or reluctantly, it will not be accepted from you. You are people who are deviators.' (9:53)

They swear by Allah that they are of your number, but they are not of your number. Rather, they are people who are scared. (9:56)

If they could find a bolt-hole, cave or burrow, they would turn and scurry away into it. (9:57)

Those who were left behind were glad to stay behind the Messenger of Allah. They did not want to strive with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah. They said, 'Do not go out to fight in the heat.' Say: 'The Fire of Hell is much hotter, if they only understood.' (9:81)

Let them laugh little and weep much, in repayment for what they have earned. (9:82)

If Allah returns you to a group of them, and they ask you for permission to go out, say, 'You will never go out with me, nor will you ever fight an enemy with me. You were happy to stay behind the first time, so stay behind with those who are left behind.' (9:83)

Never pray over any of them who die or stand at their graves. They rejected Allah and His Messenger and died as deviators. (9:84)

They will swear to you to make you pleased with them, but even if you are pleased with them, Allah is certainly not pleased with deviant people. (9:96)

You who believe! Remember Allah's blessing to you when forces came against you and We sent a wind against them and other forces you could not see. Allah sees what you do. (33:9)

When they came at you from above you and below you, when your eyes rolled and your hearts rose to your throats, and you thought unworthy thoughts about Allah, at that point the believers were tested and severely shaken. (33:10-11)

When the hypocrites and people with sickness in their hearts said, 'What Allah and His Messenger promised us was mere delusion.' and a group of them said, 'People of Yathrib, Your position is untenable so return!', some of them asked the Prophet to excuse them, saying, 'Our houses are exposed,' when they were not exposed; it was merely that they wanted to run away. (33:12-13) If they had been overrun from every side, and had then been asked to revert to disbelief, they would have done so and hesitated very little about it. (33:14)

Yet they had previously made a contract with Allah that they would never turn their backs. Contracts made with Allah will be asked about. (33:15)

Say: 'Flight will not benefit you if you try to run away from death or being killed. Then you will only enjoy a short respite.' (33:16)

Say: 'Who is going to shield you from Allah if He desires evil for you or desires mercy for you?' They will find no one to protect or help them besides Allah. (33:17)

Allah knows the obstructers among you and those who say to their brothers, 'Come to us,' and who only come to fight a very little, and are begrudging towards you. Then when fear comes, you see them looking at you, their eyes rolling like people scared to death. But when fear departs they flay you with sharp tongues, grasping for wealth. Such people have no faith and Allah will make their actions come to nothing. That is easy for Allah. (33:18-19)

They think that the Confederates have not departed and if the Confederates did appear then they would wish they were out in the desert with the Arabs, asking for news of you. If they were with you they would only fight a very little. (33:20)

## **THOSE WHO HAVE PERMISSION NOT TO FIGHT**

Nothing is held against the weak and sick nor against those who find nothing to spend, provided they are true to Allah and His Messenger—there is no way open against good-doers, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful—nor

is anything held against those who, when they came to you for you to provide them with mounts and you said, 'I cannot find anything on which to mount you,' turned away with their eyes overflowing with tears, overcome by grief at having nothing to give. (9:92)

There is no objection to the blind, no objection to the lame, no objection to the sick; nor to yourselves if you eat in your own houses or your fathers' houses or your mothers' houses or your brothers' houses or your sisters' houses or the houses of your paternal uncles or paternal aunts or the houses of your maternal uncles or maternal aunts or places to which you own the keys or those of your friends. There is nothing wrong in your eating together or eating separately. And when you enter houses greet one another with a greeting from Allah, blessed and good. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (24:61) There is no constraint on the blind, nor on the lame, nor on the sick. We will admit all who obey Allah and His Messenger into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. But We will punish with a painful punishment anyone who turns his back. (48:17)

## THROAT

When they came at you from above you and below you, when your eyes rolled and your hearts rose to your throats, and you thought unworthy thoughts about Allah, at that point the believers were tested and severely shaken. (33:10-11)

And warn them of the Day of Immediacy when hearts rise choking to the throat. The wrongdoers will have no close friend nor any intercessor who might be heard. (40:18)

Why then, when death reaches his throat and you are at that moment looking on—and We are nearer him than you but you cannot see—why then, if you are not subject to Our command, do you not send it back if you are telling the truth? (56:83-87)

## THRONE

He (Yusuf) raised his parents up onto the throne.

The others fell prostrate in front of him. He said, 'My father, truly this is now the interpretation of the dream I had. My Lord has made it all come true; and He was kind to me by letting me out of prison and brought you from the desert when Satan had caused dissent between me and my brothers. My Lord is kind to anyone He wills. He is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise.' (12:100) (The hoopoe said,) 'I found a woman ruling over them who has been given everything. She possesses a mighty throne.' (27:23)

He (Sulayman) said, 'Council! Who among you will bring me her throne before they come to me in submission?' (27:38)

He (Sulayman) said, 'Disguise her throne. We shall see whether she is guided or someone who is not guided.' (27:41)

Then when she came, she was asked, 'Is your throne like this?' She said, 'It is exactly like it.' 'We were given knowledge before her and were already Muslims,' (27:42)

We tested Sulayman and placed a lifeless body on his throne. Then he repented. (38:34)

## THRONE, THE

Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then settled Himself firmly on the Throne. He covers the day with the night, each pursuing the other urgently; and the sun and moon and stars are subservient to His command. Both creation and command belong to Him. Blessed be Allah, the Lord of all the worlds. (7:54)

But if they turn away, say, 'Allah is enough for me. There is no god but Him. I have put my trust in Him. He is the Lord of the Mighty Throne.' (9:129)

Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then established Himself firmly on the Throne. He directs the whole affair. No one can intercede except with His permission. That is Allah your Lord, so worship Him. Will you not pay heed? (10:3)

It is He Who created the heavens and the earth in six days when His Throne was on the water, in order to test which of you has the best actions. If you say, 'You will be raised up after death,' those

who disbelieve will say, 'This is nothing but downright magic.' (11:7)

Allah is He Who raised up the heavens without any support—you can see that—and then established Himself firmly on the Throne. He made the sun and moon subservient, each running for a specified term. He directs the whole affair. He makes the Signs clear so that hopefully you will be certain about the meeting with your Lord. (13:2)

Say: 'If there had, as you say, been other gods together with Him, they would have sought a way to the Master of the Throne.' (17:42)

(The Qur'an is) a Revelation from Him Who created the earth and the high heavens, the All-Merciful, established firmly upon the Throne. (20:4-5)

If there had been any gods besides Allah in heaven or earth, they would both be ruined. Glory be to Allah, Lord of the Throne, beyond what they describe! (21:22)

Say: 'Who is the Lord of the Seven Heavens and the Lord of the Mighty Throne?' (23:86)

Exalted be Allah, the King, the Real. There is no god but Him, Lord of the Noble Throne. (23:116)  
He Who created the heavens and the earth and everything in between them in six days, and then established Himself firmly on the Throne; the All-Merciful—ask anyone who is informed about Him. (25:59)

(The hoopoe said,) 'Allah—there is no god but Him—the Lord of the Mighty Throne.' (27:26)

Allah is He Who created the heavens and the earth and everything between them in six days and then established Himself firmly upon the Throne. You have no protector or intercessor apart from Him. So will you not pay heed? (32:4)  
You will see the angels circling round the Throne, glorifying their Lord with praise. It will be decided between them with truth. And it will be said: 'Praise be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds.' (39:75)

Those who bear the Throne, and all those around it, glorify their Lord with praise and believe in Him and ask forgiveness for those who believe: 'Our Lord, You encompass everything in mercy and knowledge! Forgive those who turn to You

and who follow Your Way and safeguard them from the punishment of the Blazing Fire.' (40:7)  
He is the Raiser of ranks, the Possessor of the Throne, He sends the Spirit by His command to whichever of His servants He wills so that he may warn mankind about the Day of Meeting. (40:15)

Glory be to the Lord of the heavens and the earth, the Lord of the Throne, beyond what they describe. (43:82)

It is He Who created the heavens and the earth in six days, then established Himself firmly on the Throne. He knows what goes into the earth and what comes out of it, what comes down from heaven and what goes up into it. He is with you wherever you are—Allah sees what you do. (57:4)  
The angels will be gathered round its edge. On that Day, eight will bear the Throne of their Lord above their heads. (69:17)

Truly it (the Qur'an) is the speech of a noble Messenger, possessing great strength, securely placed with the Lord of the Throne. (81:19-20)  
(He is) the Possessor of the Throne, the All-Glorious. (85:15)

## THUNDER

Or (their likeness is) that of a storm-cloud in the sky, full of darkness, thunder and lightning. They put their fingers in their ears against the thunder-claps, fearful of death. Allah encompasses the disbelievers. (2:19)

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not believe in you until we see Allah with our own eyes.' So the thunder-bolt struck you dead while you were looking. (2:55)

The thunder glorifies His praise, as do the angels, out of fear of Him. He discharges the thunderbolts, striking with them anyone He wills. Yet still they argue about Allah when He is inexorable in His power! (13:13)

## TIGHT-FISTED

Those who are tight-fisted with the bounty Allah has given them should not suppose that that is better for them. No indeed, it is worse for them! What they were tight-fisted with will be hung around their necks on the Day of Rising. Allah is

the inheritor of the heavens and the earth and Allah is aware of what you do. (3:180)

As for those who are tight-fisted and direct others to be tight-fisted, and hide the bounty Allah has given them, We have prepared a humiliating punishment for those who disbelieve. (4:37)

You who believe! Many of the rabbis and monks devour people's property under false pretences and bar people from access to the Way of Allah. As for those who hoard up gold and silver and do not spend it in the Way of Allah, give them the news of a painful punishment on the Day it is heated up in the fire of Hell and their foreheads, sides and backs are branded with it: 'This is what you hoarded for yourselves, so taste what you were hoarding!' (9:34-35)

But when He does give them of His bounty they are tight-fisted with it and turn away. (9:76)

Do not keep your hand chained to your neck but do not extend it either to its full extent so that you sit there blamed and destitute. (17:29)

Say: 'Even if you possessed the vast storehouses of my Lord's mercy, you would still hold back, fearing they would run out.' (17:100)

(Believers are) those who, when they spend, are neither extravagant nor mean, but take a stance mid way between the two. (25:67)

If He did ask you for it and put you under pressure, you would be tight-fisted and it would bring out your malevolence. (47:37)

Here you are then: people who are called upon to spend in the Way of Allah and then some of you are tight-fisted! But whoever is tight-fisted is only tight-fisted to himself. Allah is Rich and you are poor. If you turn away, He will replace you with a people other than yourselves and they will not be like you. (47:38)

(Allah does not love) those who are tight-fisted and tell others to be tight-fisted. If anyone turns away, Allah is the Rich Beyond Need, the Praiseworthy. (57:24)

We have tried them as We tried the owners of the garden when they swore that they would harvest in the morning but did not say the redeeming words, 'If Allah wills'. So a visitation from your Lord came upon it while they slept and in the morning it was like burnt land stripped bare. In the

morning they called out to one another, 'Leave early for your land if you want to pick the fruit.' So they set off, quietly saying to one another, 'Do not let any poor man into it today while you are there.' They left early, intent on carrying out their scheme. But when they saw it, they said, 'We must have lost our way. No, the truth is we are destitute!' The best of them said, 'Did I not say to you, "Why do you not glorify Allah?"' They said, 'Glory be to our Lord! Truly we have been wrong-doers.' They turned to face each other in mutual accusation. They said, 'Woe to us! We were indeed inordinate. Maybe our Lord will give us something better than it in exchange. We entreat our Lord.' Such is the punishment. And the punishment of the hereafter is much greater if they only knew. (68:17-33)

He used not to believe in Allah the Magnificent, nor did he urge the feeding of the poor. (69:33-34)  
No indeed! You do not honour orphans nor do you urge the feeding of the poor. (89:17-18)

But no! It is a Raging Blaze stripping away the limbs and scalp, which calls for all who drew back and turned away, and amassed and hoarded up. (70:15-18)

Nor is he miserly with the Unseen. (81:24)

But as for him who is stingy and self-satisfied, and denies the Good, We will pave his way to Difficulty. His wealth will not help him when he plummets to the depths. (92:8-11)

Have you seen him who denies the religion? He is the one who harshly rebuffs the orphan and does not urge the feeding of the poor. (107:1-3)

## TIME BEFORE DAWN

The steadfast, the truthful, the obedient, the givers, and those who seek forgiveness before dawn. (3:17)

The part of the night they spent asleep was small and they would seek forgiveness before the dawn. (51:17-18)

We unleashed a sudden squall of stones against all of them, except the family of Lut, who We rescued before dawn. (54:34)

## TIREDNESS

They will not be affected by any tiredness there

and they will never be made to leave. (15:48) When they had gone a distance further on, he (Musa) said to his servant, 'Bring us our morning meal. Truly this journey of ours has made us tired.' (18:62)

Everyone in the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. Those in His presence do not consider themselves too great to worship Him and do not grow tired of it. (21:19)

If they grow arrogant, those who are with your Lord glorify Him night and day and never grow tired. (41:38)

Man never tires of praying for the good and if evil touches him, he despairs and loses hope. (41:49)

## TONGUE

Among them is a group who distort the Book with their tongues so that you think it is from the Book when it is not from the Book. They say, 'It is from Allah,' but it is not from Allah. They tell a lie against Allah and they know it. (3:78)

Some of the Jews distort the true meaning of words, saying, 'We hear and disobey,' and 'Listen without listening,' and 'Listen to us!' twisting them with their tongues, disparaging the religion. If they had said, 'We hear and we obey,' and 'Listen,' and, 'Look at us!' that would have been better for them and more upright. But Allah has cursed them for their disbelief. Very few of them believe. (4:46)

They have the word, 'Obedience!' on their tongues but when they leave your presence, a group of them spend the night plotting to do other than what you say. Allah is recording their nocturnal plotting. So let them be and put your trust in Allah. Allah suffices as a Guardian. (4:81) O Messenger! Do not be grieved by those who rush headlong into disbelief among those who say 'We believe' with their tongues when their hearts contain no faith. And among the Jews are those who listen to lies, listening to other people who have not come to you, distorting words from their proper meanings, saying, 'If you are given this, then take it. If you are not given it, then beware!' If Allah desires misguidance for someone, you cannot help him against Allah in any way. Those are the people whose hearts Allah does

not want to purify. They will have disgrace in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (5:41)

Those among the tribe of Israel who disbelieved were cursed on the tongue of Dawud and that of 'Isa, son of Maryam. That is because they rebelled and overstepped the limits. (5:78)

If We had wanted to, We would have raised him up by them. But he gravitated towards the earth and pursued his whims and base desires. His metaphor is that of a dog: if you chase it away, it lolls out its tongue and pants, and if you leave it alone, it lolls out its tongue and pants. That is the metaphor of those who deny Our Signs. So tell the story so that hopefully they will reflect. (7:176)

They allot to Allah what they themselves dislike and their tongues frame the lie that they will receive the Best. There is no doubt at all that they will receive the Fire and that they are people who go to excess. (16:62)

Do not say about what your lying tongues describe: 'This is lawful and this is forbidden,' inventing lies against Allah. Those who invent lies against Allah are not successful. (16:116)

We have made it easy on your tongue so that you can give good news to those who guard against evil and warn stubbornly hostile people by it. (19:97)

(Musa said, 'O Lord,) loosen the knot in my tongue.' (20:27)

You were bandying it about on your tongues, your mouths uttering something about which you had no knowledge. You considered it to be a trivial matter, but, in Allah's sight, it is immense. (24:15)

... they will have a terrible punishment on the Day when their tongues and hands and feet will testify against them about what they were doing. (24:23-24)

He (Musa) said, 'My Lord, I fear they will deny me and that my breast will be constricted and that my tongue will not be free, so send Harun as a Messenger as well.' (26:12-13)

The Faithful Spirit brought it down to your heart so you would be one of the Warners in a clear Arabic tongue. (26:193-195)

Allah knows the obstructers among you and those who say to their brothers, 'Come to us,' and who only come to fight a very little, and are begrudging towards you. Then when fear comes, you see them looking at you, their eyes rolling like people scared to death. But when fear departs they flay you with sharp tongues, grasping for wealth. Such people have no faith and Allah will make their actions come to nothing. That is easy for Allah. (33:18-19)

If We had made it a Qur'an in a foreign tongue they would have said, 'Why have its Signs not been made plain? What! A foreign language for an Arab?' Say: 'It is guidance and healing for people who believe. Those who do not believe have heaviness in their ears and for them it is blindness. Such people are being called from a very distant place.' (41:44)

We have made it easy in your own tongue so that hopefully they will pay heed. (44:58)

But before it there was the Book of Musa as a model and a mercy. And this is a corroborating Book in the Arabic tongue so that you may warn those who do wrong, and as good news for the good-doers. (46:12)

Those Arabs who remained behind will say to you, 'Our wealth and families kept us occupied, so ask forgiveness for us.' They say with their tongues what is not in their hearts. Say: 'Who can control Allah for you in any way whether He wants harm for you or wants benefit for you?'

Allah is aware of what you do. (48:11)

If they come upon you, they will be your enemies and stretch out their hands and tongues against you with evil intent, and they would dearly love you to disbelieve. (60:2)

Do not move your tongue trying to hasten it. Its collection and recitation are Our affair. (75:16-17)

Have We not given him two eyes, and a tongue and two lips? (90:8-9)

## **TORAH**

Believe in what I have sent down, confirming what is with you (Torah). Do not be the first to reject it and do not sell My Signs for a paltry price. Have fear of Me alone. (2:41)

When a Book does come to them from Allah, confirming what is with them (Torah)—even though before that they were praying for victory over the disbelievers—yet when what they recognise does come to them, they reject it. Allah's curse is on the disbelievers. (2:89)

He has sent down the Book to you with truth, confirming what was there before it. And He sent down the Torah and the Gospel. (3:3)

He will teach him ('Isa) the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel. (3:48)

('Isa said,) 'I come confirming the Torah I find already there, and to make lawful for you some of what was previously forbidden to you. I have brought you a Sign from your Lord. So have fear of Allah and obey me.' (3:50)

(Say,) 'People of the Book! Why do you argue concerning Ibrahim when the Torah and Gospel were only sent down after him? Why do you not use your intellect?' (3:65)

All food was lawful for the tribe of Israel except what Israel made unlawful for himself before the Torah was sent down. Say, 'Bring the Torah and read it out if you are telling the truth.' (3:93)

You who have been given the Book! Believe in what We have sent down confirming what is with you (the Torah and Gospel), before We obliterate faces, turning them inside out, or We curse you as We cursed the Companions of the Sabbath. Allah's command is always carried out. (4:47)

How can they make you their judge when they have the Torah with them which contains the judgement of Allah? Then even after that they turn their backs! Such people are certainly not believers. (5:43)

We sent down the Torah containing guidance and light, and the Prophets who had submitted themselves gave judgement by it for the Jews—as did their scholars and their rabbis—by what they had been allowed to preserve of Allah's Book to which they were witnesses. Do not be afraid of people, be afraid of Me. And do not sell My Signs for a paltry price. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are disbelievers. (5:44)

We prescribed for them in it: a life for a life, an

eye for an eye, a nose for a nose, an ear for an ear, a tooth for a tooth, and retaliation for wounds. But if anyone forgoes that as a charity, it will act as expiation for him. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are wrongdoers. (5:45)

And We sent 'Isa son of Maryam following in their footsteps, confirming the Torah that came before him. We gave him the Gospel containing guidance and light, confirming the Torah that came before it, and as guidance and admonition for those who guard against evil. (5:46)

If only they had implemented the Torah and the Gospel and what was sent down to them from their Lord (the Qur'an), they would have been fed from above their heads and beneath their feet. Among them there is a moderate group but what most of them do is evil. (5:66)

Say: 'People of the Book! You have nothing to stand on until you implement the Torah and the Gospel and what has been sent down to you from your Lord.' What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of them in insolence and disbelief. So do not waste your grief on the people of the disbelievers. (5:68)

Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to your mother when I reinforced you with the Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth the dead by My permission; and when I held back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but downright magic" (5:110)

... He said, 'As for My punishment, I strike with it anyone I will. My mercy extends to all things but I will prescribe it for those who guard against evil and give the alms, and those who believe in Our Signs: those who follow the Messenger, the Ummi, whom they find written down with them

in the Torah and the Gospel, commanding them to do right and forbidding them to do wrong, making good things lawful for them and bad things forbidden for them, relieving them of their heavy loads and the chains which were around them. Those who believe in him and honour him and help him, and follow the Light that has been sent down with him, they are the ones who are successful.' (7:156-157)

Allah has bought from the believers their selves and their wealth in return for the Garden. They fight in the Way of Allah and they kill and are killed. It is a promise binding on Him in the Torah, the Gospel and the Qur'an and who is truer to his contract than Allah? Rejoice then in the bargain you have made. That is the great victory. (9:111)

Say: 'Bring a Book, then, from Allah which guides better than both of them (the Torah and the Qur'an) and follow it if you are telling the truth.' (28:49)

Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and those who are with him are fierce to the disbelievers, merciful to one another. You see them bowing and prostrating, seeking Allah's good favour and His pleasure. Their mark is on their faces, the traces of prostration. That is their likeness in the Torah. And their likeness in the Gospel is that of a seed which puts up a shoot and makes it strong so that it thickens and grows up straight upon its stalk, filling the sowers with delight--so that by them He may infuriate the disbelievers. Allah has promised those of them who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (48:29)

And when 'Isa son of Maryam said, 'Tribe of Israel, I am the Messenger of Allah to you, confirming the Torah which came before me and giving you the good news of a Messenger after me whose name is Ahmad.' When he brought them the Clear Signs, they said, 'This is downright magic.' (61:6)

The metaphor of those who were charged with the Torah but then have not upheld it, is that of a donkey loaded with weighty tomes. How evil is the metaphor of those who deny Allah's Signs! Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (62:5)

## **TOWN**

Remember when We said, 'Go into this town and eat from it wherever you like, freely. Enter the gate prostrating and say, "Relieve us of our burdens!" Your mistakes will be forgiven. We will grant increase to all good-doers.' (2:58)

Or (what about) the one who passed by a town which had fallen into ruin? He asked, 'How can Allah restore this to life when it has died?' Allah caused him to die a hundred years then brought him back to life. Then He asked, 'How long have you been here?' He replied, 'I have been here a day or part of a day.' He said, 'Not so! You have been here a hundred years. Look at your food and drink—it has not gone bad—and look at your donkey so We can make you a Sign for all mankind. Look at the bones—how We raise them up and clothe them in flesh.' When it had become clear to him, he said, 'Now I know that Allah has power over all things.' (2:259)

When they were told: 'Live in this town and eat of it wherever you like and say, "Relieve us of our burdens!" and enter the gate prostrating. Your mistakes will be forgiven you. We will grant increase to good-doers.' (7:161)

Ask them about the town which was by the sea when they broke the Sabbath—when their fish came to them near the surface on their Sabbath day but did not come on the days which they did not keep the Sabbath. In this way We put them to the test because they were deviators. (7:163)

So they went on until they reached the inhabitants of a town. They asked them for food but they refused them hospitality. They found there a wall about to fall down and he built it up. Musa said, 'If you had wanted, you could have taken a wage for doing that.' (18:77)

'As for the wall, it belonged to two young orphans in the town and there was a treasure underneath it, belonging to them. Their father was one of the righteous and your Lord wanted them to come of age and then to unearth their treasure as a mercy from Him. I did not do it of my own volition. That is the explanation of the things about which you were not able to restrain yourself.' (18:82)

If We had wished We could have sent a warner

to every town. (25:51)

They will not fight against you all together as a group except in fortified towns or behind high walls. Their hostility towards each other is intense. They are full of bravado in each other's company. You consider them united but their hearts are scattered wide. That is because they are people who do not use their intellect. (59:14)

## **TRACE**

How many generations We have destroyed before them! Do you see a trace of any one of them or hear even a whisper of them? (19:98)  
They said, 'Our Lord, put more distance between our staging posts.' They wronged themselves so We made legends of them and scattered them without a trace. There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast and thankful. (34:19)

Have they not travelled in the earth and seen the final fate of those before them? They were greater than them in strength and left far deeper traces on the earth, yet Allah seized them for their wrong actions and they had no one to protect them from Allah. (40:21)

Have they not travelled in the land and seen the final fate of those before them? They were more numerous than them and greater in strength and left more and deeper traces on earth, but what they earned was of no use to them. (40:82)

Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and those who are with him are fierce to the disbelievers, merciful to one another. You see them bowing and prostrating, seeking Allah's good favour and His pleasure. Their mark is on their faces, the traces of prostration. That is their likeness in the Torah. And their likeness in the Gospel is that of a seed which puts up a shoot and makes it strong so that it thickens and grows up straight upon its stalk, filling the sowers with delight—so that by them He may infuriate the disbelievers. Allah has promised those of them who believe and do right actions forgiveness and an immense reward. (48:29)

## **TRADE**

Those who practise usury will not rise from the

grave except as someone driven mad by Satan's touch. That is because they say, 'Trade is the same as usury.' But Allah has permitted trade and He has forbidden usury. Whoever is given a warning by his Lord and then desists, can keep what he received in the past and his affair is Allah's concern. But all who return to it will be the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:275)

You who believe! When you take on a debt for a specified period, write it down. A writer should write it down between you justly. No writer should refuse to write; as Allah has taught him, so he should write. The one incurring the debt should dictate and should have fear of Allah his Lord and not reduce it in any way. If the person incurring the debt is incompetent or weak or unable to dictate, then his guardian should dictate for him justly. Two men among you should act as witnesses. But if there are not two men, then a man and two women with whom you are satisfied as witnesses; then if one of them forgets, the other can remind her. Witnesses should not refuse when they are called upon. Do not think it too trivial to write down, whether small or large, with the date that it falls due. Doing that is more just in Allah's sight and more helpful when bearing witness and more likely to eliminate any doubt-unless it is an immediate transaction hand to hand, taken and given without delay. There is nothing wrong in your not writing that down. Call witnesses when you trade. Neither writer nor witness should be put under pressure. If you do that, it is deviancy on your part. Have fear of Allah and Allah will give you knowledge. Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:282)

You who believe! Do not consume one another's property by false means, but only by means of mutually agreed trade. And do not kill yourselves. Allah is Most Merciful to you. (4:29)

... there are men who proclaim His glory morning and evening, not distracted by trade or commerce from the remembrance of Allah and the performance of prayer and the giving of the alms; fearing a day when all hearts and eyes will be in turmoil. (24:36-37)

But when they see a chance of trade or entertain-

ment they scatter off to it and leave you standing there. Say: 'What is with Allah is better than trade or entertainment. Allah is the Best of Providers.' (62:11)

## TRANSACTION

You who believe! When you take on a debt for a specified period, write it down. A writer should write it down between you justly. No writer should refuse to write; as Allah has taught him, so he should write. The one incurring the debt should dictate and should have fear of Allah his Lord and not reduce it in any way. If the person incurring the debt is incompetent or weak or unable to dictate, then his guardian should dictate for him justly. Two men among you should act as witnesses. But if there are not two men, then a man and two women with whom you are satisfied as witnesses; then if one of them forgets, the other can remind her. Witnesses should not refuse when they are called upon. Do not think it too trivial to write down, whether small or large, with the date that it falls due. Doing that is more just in Allah's sight and more helpful when bearing witness and more likely to eliminate any doubt-unless it is an immediate transaction hand to hand, taken and given without delay. There is nothing wrong in your not writing that down. Call witnesses when you trade. Neither writer nor witness should be put under pressure. If you do that, it is deviancy on your part. Have fear of Allah and Allah will give you knowledge. Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:282)

Those who recite the Book of Allah and perform prayer and give of what We have provided for them, secretly and openly, hope for a transaction which will not prove profitless. (35:29)

You who believe! Shall I direct you to a transaction which will save you from a painful punishment? (61:10)

## TRANSMISSION

If they argue with you, say, 'I have submitted myself completely to Allah, and so have all who follow me.' Say to those given the Book and those who have no Book, 'Have you become Muslim?' If they become Muslim, they have been guided.

If they turn away, you are only responsible for transmission. Allah sees His servants. (3:20)

O Messenger! Transmit what has been sent down to you from your Lord. If you do not do it you will not have transmitted His Message. Allah will protect you from people. Allah does not guide the people of the disbelievers. (5:67)

Obey Allah and obey the Messenger and beware! If you turn your backs, know that Our Messenger is only responsible for clear transmission. (5:92)

The Messenger is only responsible for transmission. Allah knows what you divulge and what you hide. (5:99)

He (Nuh) said, 'My people, I am not in error at all but rather am a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds, transmitting my Lord's Message to you and giving you good counsel, and I know from Allah what you do not know.' (7:61-62)

He (Hud) said, 'My people, I am by no means a fool, but rather am a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds, transmitting my Lord's Message to you, and I am a faithful counsellor to you.' (7:67-68)

He (Salih) turned away from them and said, 'My people, I transmitted my Lord's message to you and gave you good counsel. However, you do not like good counsellors!' (7:79)

So he (Shu'ayb) turned away from them and said, 'My people, I transmitted My Lord's message to you and gave you good counsel. Why should I grieve for a disbelieving people?' (7:93)

(Hud said,) 'If you turn your backs, I have transmitted to you what I was sent to you with, and my Lord will replace you with another people, and you will not harm Him at all. My Lord is the Preserver of everything.' (11:57)

Whether We show you something of what We have promised them or We take you back to Us, your responsibility is transmission and the Reckoning is Ours. (13:40)

The idolaters say, 'If Allah had willed we would not have worshipped anything apart from Him, neither we nor our fathers, nor would we have forbidden anything without His say.' Those before them said the same. Are the Messengers responsible for anything but clear transmission? (16:35)

But if they turn their backs, you are only responsible for clear transmission. (16:82)

And if you deny it, nations before you also denied the truth. The Messenger is only responsible for clear transmission. (29:18)

They (messengers) said, 'Our Lord knows we have been sent as Messengers to you. We are only responsible for clear transmission.' (36:16-17)

But if they turn away, We have not sent you to be their guardian. You are only responsible for transmission. When We let a man taste mercy from Us he exults in it. But if something bad strikes him for what he has done he is ungrateful. (42:48)

He said, 'All knowledge is with Allah. I only transmit to you what I have been sent with. But I see that you are a people who are ignorant.' (46:23)

So be steadfast as the Messengers with firm resolve were also steadfast. And do not seek to hasten it for them. On the Day they see what they were promised, it will be as if they had only tarried for just one hour of a single day. It has been transmitted! Will any be destroyed except for deviant people? (46:35)

Obey Allah and obey the Messenger. But if you turn your backs, the Messenger is only responsible for clear transmission. (64:12)

Say: 'No one can protect me from Allah and I will never find any refuge apart from Him—only in transmitting from Allah and His Messages. As for him who disobeys Allah and His Messenger, he will have the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever and ever.' (72:22-23)

(It is) so that He may know that they have indeed transmitted the Messages of their Lord. He encompasses what is in their hands and has counted the exact number of everything. (72:28)

## TRAVEL

It (the charity) is for the poor who are held back in the Way of Allah, unable to travel in the land. The ignorant consider them rich because of their reticence. You will know them by their mark. They do not ask from people insistently. Whatever good you give away, Allah knows it. (2:273)

Whole societies have passed away before your time, so travel about the earth and see the final fate of the deniers. (3:137)

You who believe! Do not approach the prayer when you are drunk, so that you will know what you are saying, nor in a state of major impurity—unless you are travelling—until you have washed yourselves completely. If you are ill or on a journey, or any of you have come from the lavatory or touched women, and you cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, wiping your faces and your hands. Allah is Ever-Pardoning, Ever-Forgiving. (4:43)

When you are travelling in the land, there is nothing wrong in your shortening your prayer if you fear that those who disbelieve may harass you. The disbelievers are your clear-cut enemies. (4:101)

You who believe! When one of you is near to death and makes a will, two just men from among you should act as witnesses; or, if you are travelling when the misfortune of death occurs, two men who are strangers to you. You should detain them after prayer and, if you are doubtful, they should swear by Allah: ‘We will not sell it for any price, even to a near relative, and we will not conceal the testimony of Allah. If we did we would indeed be wrongdoers.’ (5:106)

An announcement to those idolaters you have a general treaty with that Allah and His Messenger are free of them: ‘You may travel about in the land for four months and know that you cannot thwart Allah and that Allah will humiliate the disbelievers.’ (9:1-2)

We sent none before you but men inspired with revelation from among the people of the cities. Have they not travelled in the land and seen the final fate of those before them? The abode of the hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. So will you not use your intellect? (12:109) (Messengers said to Lut,) ‘Travel with your family in the dead of night, following behind with them in front of you. None of you must look back. Go where you are ordered to.’ (15:65)

We sent a Messenger among every people saying: ‘Worship Allah and keep clear of all false gods.’ Among them were some whom Allah

guided but others received the misguidance they deserved. Travel about the earth and see the final fate of the deniers. (16:36)

Or (do those who plot evil actions feel secure) that He will not seize them on their travels, something they are powerless to prevent? (16:46) (Your Lord revealed to the bees:) ‘Then eat from every kind of fruit and travel the paths of your Lord, which have been made easy for you to follow.’ From inside them comes a drink of varying colours, containing healing for mankind. There is certainly a Sign in that for people who reflect. (16:69)

Allah has made your houses places of rest for you and made houses for you out of cattle hides which are light for you to carry both when you are travelling and when you are staying in one place. And from their wool and fur and hair you obtain clothing and carpets and household utensils for a time. (16:80)

We revealed to Musa, ‘Travel with My servants by night. Strike a dry path for them through the sea. Have no fear of being overtaken and do not be afraid.’ (20:77)

Have they not travelled about the earth and do they not have hearts to understand with or ears to hear with? It is not their eyes which are blind but the hearts in their breasts which are blind. (22:46)

We revealed to Musa: ‘Travel with Our servants by night. You will certainly be pursued.’ (26:52) Say: ‘Travel about the earth and see the final fate of the evildoers.’ (27:69)

Say: ‘Travel about the earth and see how He brought creation out of nothing. Then later Allah will bring about the next existence. Allah has power over all things.’ (29:20)

Have they not travelled in the earth and seen the final fate of those before them? They had greater strength than them and cultivated the land and inhabited it in far greater numbers than they do. Their Messengers also came to them with the Clear Signs. Allah would never have wronged them; but they wronged themselves. (30:9)

Say: ‘Travel about the earth and see the final fate of those before. Most of them were idolaters.’ (30:42)

We placed between them and the cities We had blessed other clearly conspicuous cities, making them measured stages on the way: 'Travel between them in safety by night and day.' (34:18) Have they not travelled in the land and seen the final fate of those before them? They were far greater than them in strength. Allah cannot be withheld in any way, either in the heavens or on earth. He is All-Knowing, All-Powerful. (35:44) Have they not travelled in the earth and seen the final fate of those before them? They were greater than them in strength and left far deeper traces on the earth, yet Allah seized them for their wrong actions and they had no one to protect them from Allah. (40:21)

Have they not travelled in the land and seen the final fate of those before them? They were more numerous than them and greater in strength and left more and deeper traces on earth, but what they earned was of no use to them. (40:82) Have they not travelled about the earth and seen the final fate of those before them? Allah destroyed them utterly. And those who disbelieve will suffer the same fate. (47:10)

Your Lord knows that you stay up nearly two-thirds of the night—or half of it, or a third of it—and a group of those with you. Allah determines the night and day. He knows you will not keep count of it, so He has turned towards you. Recite as much of the Qur'an as is easy for you. He knows that some of you are ill and that others are travelling in the land seeking Allah's bounty, and that others are fighting in the Way of Allah. So recite as much of it as is easy for you. And perform prayer and give the alms and lend a generous loan to Allah. Whatever good you send ahead for yourselves you will find it with Allah as something better and as a greater reward. And seek forgiveness from Allah. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (73:20)

## TRAVELLER

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to

their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms; those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

They will ask you what they should give away. Say, 'Any wealth you give away should go to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor and travellers.' Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. (2:215)

Worship Allah and do not associate anything with Him. Be good to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to neighbours who are related to you and neighbours who are not related to you, and to companions and travellers and your slaves. Allah does not love anyone vain or boastful. (4:36)

Anything you catch in the sea is lawful for you, and all food from it, for your enjoyment and that of travellers, but land game is forbidden for you while you are in the state of pilgrimage. So have fear of Allah, Him to Whom you will be gathered. (5:96)

Know that when you take any booty a fifth of it belongs to Allah, and to the Messenger, and to close relatives, orphans, the very poor and travellers, if you believe in Allah and in what We sent down to Our servant on the Day of Discrimination, the day the two groups met—Allah has power over all things. (8:41)

The alms are for: the poor, the destitute, those who collect it, reconciling people's hearts, freeing slaves, those in debt, spending in the Way of Allah, and travellers. It is a legal obligation from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:60)

One of them said, 'Do not take Yusuf's life but throw him to the bottom of the well, so that some travellers may discover him, if this is something that you have to do.' (12:10)

Some travellers came that way and then dispatched their water-drawer who let his bucket down. He said, 'Good news for me, I've found a boy!' They then hid him away among their goods. Allah knew very well what they were doing. (12:19)

Give your relatives their due, and the very poor and travellers but do not squander what you have. (17:26)

Give relatives their due, and the poor and travellers. That is best for those who seek the pleasure of Allah. They are the ones who are successful. (30:38)

Have you thought about the fire that you light? Is it you who make the trees that fuel it grow or are We the Grower? We have made it to be a reminder and a comfort for travellers in the wild. (56:71-73)

Whatever booty Allah gives to His Messenger from city dwellers belongs to Allah and to the Messenger and to near relatives and orphans and the very poor and travellers, so that it does not become something which merely revolves between the rich among you. Whatever the Messenger gives you you should accept and whatever he forbids you you should forgo. Have fear of Allah—Allah is severe in retribution. (59:7)

### TREACHERY

We have sent down the Book to you with the truth so that you can judge between people according to what Allah has shown to you. But do not be an advocate for the treacherous. (4:105)

But because of their breaking of their covenant, We have cursed them and made their hearts hard. They distort the true meaning of words and have forgotten a good portion of what they were reminded of. You will never cease to come upon some act of treachery on their part, except for a few of them. Yet pardon them, and overlook. Allah loves good-doers. (5:13)

If you fear treachery on the part of a people, revoke your treaty with them mutually. Allah does not love treacherous people. (8:58)

When the waves hang over them like canopies, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His. But then when He delivers them safely to the land, some of them are ambivalent. None but a treacherous, thankless man denies Our Signs. (31:32)

### TREASURE - TREASURY

Say: 'I do not say to you that I possess the treas-

uries of Allah, nor do I know the Unseen, nor do I say to you that I am an angel. I only follow what has been revealed to me.' Say: 'Are the blind the same as those who can see? So will you not reflect?' (6:50)

Perhaps you are leaving aside part of what has been revealed to you and your breast is constricted by this because they say, 'Why has treasure not been sent down to him or an angel not accompanied him?' You are only a warner and Allah is Guardian over all things. (11:12)

(Nuh said to his people,) 'I do not say to you that I possess the treasures of Allah; nor do I know the Unseen; nor do I say that I am an angel; nor do I say to those who are vile in your eyes that Allah will not give them any good. Allah knows best what is in their hearts. If I did, I would certainly be one of the wrongdoers.' (11:31)

(He said to Musa,) 'As for the wall, it belonged to two young orphans in the town and there was a treasure underneath it, belonging to them. Their father was one of the righteous and your Lord wanted them to come of age and then to unearth their treasure as a mercy from Him. I did not do it of my own volition. That is the explanation of the things about which you were not able to restrain yourself.' (18:82)

(Disbelievers say,) 'Why has treasure not been showered down on him? Why does he not have a garden to give him food?' The wrongdoers say, 'You are merely following a man who is bewitched.' (25:8)

We expelled them (Pharaoh and his troops) from gardens and springs, from treasures and a splendid situation. (26:57-58)

Qarun was one of the people of Musa but he lorded it over them. We gave him treasures, the keys alone to which were a heavy weight for a party of strong men. When his people said to him, 'Do not gloat. Allah does not love people who gloat. Seek the abode of the hereafter with what Allah has given you, without forgetting your portion of this world. And do good as Allah has been good to you. And do not seek to cause corruption in the earth. Allah does not love corrupters', he said, 'I have only been given it because of knowledge I have.' Did he not know

that before him Allah had destroyed generations with far greater strength than his and far more possessions? The evildoers will not be questioned about their sins. (28:76-78)

Or do they possess the treasures of your Lord's mercy, the Almighty, the Ever-Giving? (38:9)

Or do they possess the treasures of your Lord or do they have control of them? (52:37)

They are the people who say, 'Do not spend on those who are with the Messenger of Allah, so that they may go away.' The treasures of the heavens and earth belong to Allah. But the hypocrites do not understand this. (63:7)

## TREATY

They will be plunged into abasement wherever they are found, unless they have a treaty with Allah and with the people. They have brought down anger from Allah upon themselves, and they have been plunged into destitution. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they disobeyed and went beyond the limits. (3:112)

They would like you to disbelieve as they disbelieve so that you will all be the same. Do not take any of them as friends until they have migrated in the Way of Allah. But if they run away then seize them and kill them wherever you find them. Do not take any of them as either a friend or helper—except for those who seek shelter with people with whom you have a treaty, or who come to you greatly perturbed at the prospect of fighting either you or their own people. If Allah had willed, He could have given them the upper hand over you and then they would have fought you. If they keep away from you and do not fight you and submit to you, Allah has not given you any way against such people. (4:89-90)

A believer should never kill another believer unless it is by mistake. Anyone who kills a believer by mistake should free a believing slave and pay blood-money to his family unless they forgo it as a charity. If he is from a people who are your enemies and is a believer, you should free a believing slave. If he is from a people you have a treaty with, blood money should be paid to his family

and you should free a believing slave. Anyone who cannot find the means should fast two consecutive months. This is a concession from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:92)

The worst of animals in the sight of Allah are those who disbelieve and do not believe, those with whom you make a treaty and who then break it every time. They don't guard against evil. So if you come upon such people in war, make a harsh example of them to deter those coming after them so that hopefully they will pay heed. If you fear treachery on the part of a people, revoke your treaty with them mutually. Allah does not love treacherous people. (8:55-58)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah, and those who have given refuge and help, they are the friends and protectors of one another. But as for those who believe but have not migrated, you are not in any way responsible for their protection until they migrate. But if they ask you for help in respect of the religion, it is your duty to help them, except against people you have a treaty with. Allah sees what you do. (8:72)

An announcement to those idolaters you have a general treaty with that Allah and His Messenger are free of them: 'You may travel about in the land for four months and know that you cannot thwart Allah and that Allah will humiliate the disbelievers.' A proclamation from Allah and His Messenger to mankind on the day of the greater pilgrimage: 'Allah is free of the idolaters, as is His Messenger. If you repent, it will be better for you. But if you turn your backs, know that you cannot thwart Allah.' Give those who disbelieve the news of a painful punishment—except those among the idolaters you have treaties with, who have not then broken their treaties with you in any way, nor granted assistance to anyone against you. Honour their treaties until their time runs out. Allah loves those who guard against evil. (9:1-4)

How could any of the idolaters possibly have a treaty with Allah and with His Messenger, except for those you made a treaty with at the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram)? As long as they are

straight with you, be straight with them. Allah loves those who guard against evil. How indeed! For if they get the upper hand over you, they will respect neither kinship nor treaty. They please you with their mouths but their hearts belie their words. Most of them are deviators. (9:7-8)

They respect neither kinship nor treaty where a believer is concerned. They are the people who overstep the limits. (9:10)

If they break their oaths after making their treaty and defame your religion, then fight the leaders of disbelief—they have no binding oaths—so that hopefully they will stop. (9:12)

### TREE

We said, ‘Adam, live in the Garden, you and your wife, and eat freely from it wherever you will. But do not approach this tree and so become wrongdoers.’ (2:35)

It is He Who produces gardens, both cultivated and wild, and palm-trees and crops of diverse kinds, and olives and pomegranates, both similar and dissimilar. Eat of their fruits when they bear fruit and pay their due on the day of their harvest, and do not be profligate. He does not love the profligate. (6:141)

(Allah said,) ‘Adam, live in the Garden, you and your wife, and eat of it wherever you like. But do not go near this tree lest you become wrongdoers.’ (7:19)

Then Satan whispered to them, disclosing to them their private parts that had been concealed from them. He said, ‘Your Lord has only forbidden you this tree lest you become angels or among those who live for ever.’ (7:20)

So he (Satan) enticed them to do it by means of trickery. Then when they tasted the tree, their private parts were disclosed to them and they started stitching together the leaves of the Garden in order to cover themselves. Their Lord called out to them, ‘Did I not forbid you this tree and say to you, “Satan is an outright enemy to you?”’ (7:22)

In the earth there are diverse regions side by side and gardens of grapes and cultivated fields, and palm-trees sharing one root and others with individual roots, all watered with the same water.

And We make some things better to eat than others. There are Signs in that for people who use their intellect. (13:4)

Do you not see how Allah makes a metaphor of a good word: a good tree whose roots are firm and whose branches are in heaven? (14:24)

The metaphor of a corrupt word is that of a rotten tree, uprooted on the surface of the earth. It has no staying-power. (14:26)

Your Lord revealed to the bees: ‘Build dwellings in the mountains and the trees, and also in the structures which men erect.’ (16:68)

When We said to you, ‘Surely your Lord encompasses the people with His knowledge.’ We only appointed the vision We showed you and the Accursed Tree in the Qur'an as a trial and temptation for the people. We frighten them, but it only increases them in their excessive insolence. (17:60)

But Satan whispered to him, saying, ‘Adam, shall I show you the way to the Tree of Everlasting Life and to a kingdom which will never fade away?’ (20:120)

Do you not see that everyone in the heavens and everyone on the earth prostrates to Allah, and the sun and moon and stars and the mountains, trees and beasts and many of mankind? But many of them inevitably merit punishment. Those Allah humiliates will have no one to honour them. Allah does whatever He wills. (22:18)

By means of it (water) We produce gardens of dates and grapes for you, in which there are many fruits for you and from which you eat, and a tree springing forth from Mount Sinai yielding oil and a seasoning to those who eat. (23:19-20)

Allah is the Light of the heavens and the earth. The metaphor of His Light is that of a niche in which is a lamp, the lamp inside a glass, the glass like a brilliant star, lit from a blessed tree, an olive, neither of the east nor of the west, its oil all but giving off light even if no fire touches it. Light upon Light. Allah guides to His Light whoever He wills and Allah makes metaphors for mankind and Allah has knowledge of all things. (24:35)

He Who created the heavens and the earth and sends down water for you from the sky by which We make luxuriant gardens grow—you could

never make their trees grow. Is there another god besides Allah? No indeed, but they are people who equate others with Him! (27:60)

If all the trees on earth were pens and all the sea, with seven more seas besides, was ink Allah's words still would not run dry. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (31:27)

But they turned away so We unleashed against them the flood from the great dam and exchanged their two gardens for two others containing bitter-tasting plants and tamarisk and a few lotus trees. (34:16)

Say 'He Who made them in the first place will bring them back to life. He has total knowledge of each created thing; He Who produces fire for you from green trees so that you use them to light your fires.' (36:79-80)

Is that better by way of hospitality or the tree of Zaqqum which We have made to be an ordeal for the wrongdoers? It is a tree that emerges in the depths of the Blazing Fire. (37:62-64)

And We caused a gourd tree to grow over him (Yunus). (37:146)

The Tree of az-Zaqqum is the food of the wicked. (44:43)

Allah was pleased with the believers when they pledged allegiance to you under the tree. He knew what was in their hearts, and sent down serenity to them and has rewarded them with an imminent victory. (48:18)

He saw him again another time by the Lote-tree of the Final Limit, beside which is the Garden of Refuge, when that which covered the Lote-tree covered it. (53:13-16)

The stars and the trees all bow down in prostration. (55:6)

(The Companions of the Right are) amid thornless lotus-trees. (56:28)

(Deniers) will eat from the tree of Zaqqum. (56:52)

Is it you who make the trees that fuel it grow or are We the Grower? (56:72)

Whatever palm-trees you cut down, or left standing upright on their roots, it was done by Allah's permission in order to disgrace the deviators. (59:5)

## **TRIBE OF ISRAEL (CHILDREN OF ISRAEL)**

Tribe of Israel! Remember the blessing I conferred on you. Honour My contract and I will honour your contract. Have dread of Me alone. (2:40)

Tribe of Israel! Remember the blessing I conferred on you and that I preferred you over all other beings. (2:47)

Remember when We made a covenant with the tribe of Israel: 'Worship none but Allah and be good to your parents and to relatives and orphans and the very poor. And speak good words to people. And perform prayer and give the alms.' But then you turned away—except a few of you—you turned aside. (2:83)

Tribe of Israel! Remember the blessing I conferred on you, and that I preferred you over all other beings. (2:122)

Ask the tribe of Israel how many Clear Signs We gave to them. If anyone alters Allah's blessing after it has come to him, Allah is fierce in retribution. (2:211)

What do you think about the council of the tribe of Israel after Musa's time when they said to one of their Prophets, 'Give us a king and we will fight in the Way of Allah!?' He said, 'Is it not possible that if fighting were prescribed for you, you would not fight?' They said, 'How could we not fight in the way of Allah when we have been driven from our homes and children?' But then when fighting was prescribed for them, they turned their backs—except for a few of them. Allah knows the wrongdoers. (2:246)

He will teach him ('Isa) the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel, as a Messenger to the tribe of Israel, saying: 'I have brought you a Sign from your Lord. I will create the shape of a bird out of clay for you and then breathe into it and it will be a bird by Allah's permission. I will heal the blind and the leper, and bring the dead to life, by Allah's permission. I will tell you what you eat and what you store up in your homes. There is a Sign for you in that if you are believers.' (3:48-49)

All food was lawful for the tribe of Israel except what Israel made unlawful for himself before the

Torah was sent down. Say, 'Bring the Torah and read it out if you are telling the truth.' (3:93) Allah made a covenant with the tribe of Israel and We raised up twelve leaders from among them. Allah said, 'I am with you. If you perform prayer and give the alms, and believe in My Messengers and respect and support them, and make a generous loan to Allah, I will erase your wrong actions from you and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them. Any of you who disbelieve after that have gone astray from the right way.' (5:12)

Then Allah sent a crow which scratched at the earth to show him (one of Adam's two sons) how to conceal his brother's corpse. He said, 'Woe is me! Can I not even be like this crow and conceal my brother's corpse?' And he became one of those who suffer bitter remorse on account of that. So We decreed for the tribe of Israel that if someone kills another person-unless it is in retaliation for someone else or for causing corruption in the earth-it is as if he had murdered all mankind. And if anyone gives life to another person, it is as if he had given life to all mankind. Our Messengers came to them with Clear Signs but even after that many of them committed outrages in the earth. (5:31-32)

We made a covenant with the tribe of Israel and We sent Messengers to them. Each time a Messenger came to them with something their lower selves did not desire, they denied some and they murdered others. (5:70)

Those who say that the Messiah, son of Maryam, is Allah are disbelievers. The Messiah said, 'Tribe of Israel! Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord. If anyone associates anything with Allah, Allah has forbidden him the Garden and his refuge will be the Fire.' The wrongdoers will have no helpers. (5:72)

Those among the tribe of Israel who disbelieved were cursed on the tongue of Dawud and that of 'Isa, son of Maryam. That is because they rebelled and overstepped the limits. (5:78)

Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to your mother when I reinforced you with the Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in

the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth the dead by My permission; and when I held back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but downright magic" (5:110)

Musa said, 'Pharaoh! I am truly a Messenger from the Lord of all the worlds, duty bound to say nothing about Allah except the truth. I have come to you with a Clear Sign from your Lord. So send the tribe of Israel away with me.' (7:104-105)

Whenever the plague came down on them they said, 'Musa, pray to your Lord for us by the contract He has with you. If you remove the plague from us, we will definitely believe in you and send the tribe of Israel away with you.' (7:134)

And We bequeathed to the people who had been oppressed the easternmost part of the land We had blessed, and its westernmost part as well. The most excellent Word of your Lord was fulfilled for the tribe of Israel on account of their steadfastness. And We utterly destroyed what Pharaoh and his people made and the buildings they constructed. (7:137)

We conveyed the tribe of Israel across the sea and they came upon some people who were devoting themselves to some idols which they had. They said, 'Musa, give us a god just as these people have gods.' He said, 'You are indeed an ignorant people.' (7:138)

We brought the tribe of Israel across the sea and Pharaoh and his troops pursued them out of tyranny and enmity. Then, when he was on the point of drowning, he said, 'I believe that there is no god but Him in Whom the tribe of Israel believe. I am one of the Muslims.' (10:90)

We settled the tribe of Israel in a noble place and gave them good things as provision. They did not differ until knowledge came to them. Your Lord will decide between them on the Day of Rising

regarding the things about which they differed. (10:93)

We gave Musa the Book and made it guidance for the tribe of Israel: 'Do not take anyone besides Me as a guardian.' (17:2)

We decreed in the Book for the tribe of Israel: 'You will twice cause corruption on the earth and you will rise to a great height. When the promised first time came, We sent against you servants of Ours possessing great force, and they ransacked your houses, rampaging right through them. It was a promise which was fulfilled. Then once again We gave you the upper hand over them and supplied you with more wealth and children and made you the most numerous group. If you do good, you do it to yourselves. If you do evil, you do it to your detriment. When the next promised time arrived, it was so that they could injure you and enter the Temple as they had entered it the first time, and in order to completely destroy what they had conquered. It may well be that your Lord will have mercy on you. But if you revert to what you did, We also will revert. We have made Hell a prison for the disbelievers.' (17:4-8)

We gave Musa nine Clear Signs. Ask the tribe of Israel about when he came to them and Pharaoh said to him, 'Musa, I think you are bewitched.' (17:101)

We said to the tribe of Israel after that, 'Inhabit the land and, when the promise of the hereafter comes, We will produce you as a motley crowd.' (17:104)

Those are some of the Prophets Allah has blessed, from the descendants of Adam and from those We carried with Nuh, and from the descendants of Ibrahim and Isra'il and from those We guided and chose. When the Signs of the All-Merciful were recited to them they fell on their faces, weeping, in prostration. (19:58)

(Allah said to Musa,) 'Go to him (Pharaoh) and say, "We are your Lord's Messengers so send the tribe of Israel away with us and do not punish them. We have brought you a Sign from your Lord. Peace be upon those who follow the guidance.'" (20:47)

Tribe of Israel! We rescued you from your enemy

and made an appointment with you on the right hand side of the Mount and sent down manna and quails for you. (20:80)

He (Harun) said, 'Son of my mother! Do not seize me by the beard or by the hair. I was afraid that you would say, "You have caused division in the tribe of Israel and taken no notice to anything I said."' (20:94)

(Allah said to Musa,) 'Go to Pharaoh and say, "We are the Messenger of the Lord of all the worlds to tell you to send the tribe of Israel away with us.'" (26:16-17)

(Musa said to Pharaoh,) 'And anyway you can only reproach me with this favour because you made the tribe of Israel into slaves!' (26:22)

So it was! And We bequeathed them to the tribe of Israel. (26:59)

Is it not indeed a Sign for them that the scholars of the tribe of Israel have knowledge of it? (26:197)

Certainly this Qur'an narrates to the tribe of Israel most of the things about which they differ. (27:76)

We gave Musa the Book—be in no doubt about the meeting with him—and made it a guidance for the tribe of Israel. (32:23)

We gave Musa the guidance and bequeathed the Book to the tribe of Israel. (40:53)

He (the son of Maryam) is only a servant on whom We bestowed Our blessing and whom We made an example for the tribe of Israel. (43:59)

We rescued the tribe of Israel from the humiliating punishment. (44:30)

We gave the Book and Judgement and Prophethood to the tribe of Israel and provided them with good things and favoured them over all other people. (45:16)

Say: 'What do you think? If it is from Allah and you reject it, when a witness from the tribe of Israel testifies to its similarity and believes while you are arrogant...! Allah certainly does not guide wrongdoing people.' (46:10)

And when 'Isa son of Maryam said, 'Tribe of Israel, I am the Messenger of Allah to you, confirming the Torah which came before me and giving you the good news of a Messenger after me whose name is Ahmad.' When he brought them

the Clear Signs, they said, 'This is downright magic.' (61:6)

You who believe! Be helpers of Allah as 'Isa son of Maryam said to the Disciples, 'Who will be my helpers to Allah?' The Disciples said, 'We will be the helpers of Allah.' One faction of the tribe of Israel believed and the other disbelieved. So We supported those who believed against their enemy and they became victorious. (61:14)

### **TRIBES**

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and 'Isa were given, and what all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:136)

Or do they say that Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes were Jews or Christians? Say, 'Do you know better or does Allah? Who could do greater wrong than someone who hides the evidence he has been given by Allah? Allah is not unaware of what you do.' (2:140)

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim, Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and 'Isa and all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (3:84)

We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh and the Prophets who came after him. And We revealed to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and 'Isa and Ayyub and Yunus and Harun and Sulayman. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (4:163)

Children of Adam! Do not let Satan tempt you into trouble as He expelled your parents from the Garden, stripping them of their covering and disclosing to them their private parts. He and his tribe see you from where you do not see them. We have made the Satans friends of those who have no faith. (7:27)

We divided them up into twelve tribes—communities. We revealed to Musa, when his people

asked him for water: 'Strike the rock with your staff.' Twelve fountains flowed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. And We shaded them with clouds and sent down manna and quails to them: 'Eat of the good things We have provided you with.' They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they wronged. (7:160) Say: 'If your fathers or your sons or your brothers or your wives or your tribe, or any wealth you have acquired, or any business you fear may slump, or any house which pleases you, are dearer to you than Allah and His Messenger and striving in His Way, then wait until Allah brings about His command. Allah does not guide people who are deviators.' (9:24)

'Did I not make a contract with you, tribe of Adam, not to worship Satan, who truly is an outright enemy to you, but to worship Me? That is a straight path.' (36:60-61)

Mankind! We created you from a male and female, and made you into peoples and tribes so that you might come to know each other. The noblest among you in Allah's sight is the one of you who best performs his duty. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (49:13)

### **TRIBUTE**

They said, 'Dhu'l-Qarnayn! Yajuj and Majuj are causing corruption in the land. Can we, therefore, pay tribute to you in return for your constructing a barrier between us and them?' (18:94)

### **TROOP**

When Talut marched out with the army, he said, 'Allah will test you with a river. Anyone who drinks from it is not with me. But anyone who does not taste it is with me—except for him who merely scoops up a little in his hand.' But they drank from it—except for a few of them. Then when he and those who believed with him had crossed it, they said, 'We do not have the strength to face Goliath and his troops today.' But those who were sure that they were going to meet Allah said, 'How many a small force has triumphed over a much greater one by Allah's permission! Allah is with the steadfast.' (2:249) When they came out against Goliath and his

troops, they said, ‘Our Lord, pour down steadfastness upon us, and make our feet firm, and help us against this disbelieving people.’ (2:250)

If it was a decisive victory you were seeking, that victory has clearly been won. If you desist, it will be better for you; but if you return, We also will return. Your troops will not help you at all, however many they are. Allah is with the believers. (8:19)

Know that when you take any booty a fifth of it belongs to Allah, and to the Messenger, and to close relatives, orphans, the very poor and travellers, if you believe in Allah and in what We sent down to Our servant on the Day of Discrimination, the day the two groups met—Allah has power over all things. (8:41)

You who believe! When you meet a troop, stand firm and remember Allah repeatedly so that hopefully you will be successful. (8:45)

Then Allah sent down His serenity on His Messenger and on the believers, and sent down troops you could not see, and punished those who disbelieved. That is how the disbelievers are repaid. (9:26)

If you do not help him, Allah did help him when those who disbelieved drove him out and there were two of them in the Cave. He said to his companion, ‘Do not be despondent, Allah is with us.’ Then Allah sent down His serenity upon him and reinforced him with troops you could not see. He made the word of those who disbelieved undermost. It is the word of Allah which is uppermost. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:40)

We brought the tribe of Israel across the sea and Pharaoh and his troops pursued them out of tyranny and enmity. Then, when he was on the point of drowning, he said, ‘I believe that there is no god but Him in Whom the tribe of Israel believe. I am one of the Muslims.’ (10:90)

Say: ‘As for those who are astray, let the All-Merciful prolong their term until they see what they were promised, whether it be the punishment or the Hour. Then they will know who is in the worse position and has the weaker troops.’ (19:75)

Pharaoh pursued them with his troops and the sea overwhelmed them utterly. (20:78)

They will be bundled into it head first, they and the misled, and every one of Diabolis’s regiments. (26:94-95)

Sulayman’s troops, made up of jinn and men and birds, were assembled for him, paraded in tight ranks. (27:17)

Then, when they reached the Valley of the Ants, an ant said, ‘Ants! Enter your dwellings so that Sulayman and his troops do not crush you unwittingly.’ (27:18)

(Sulayman said,) ‘Return to them. We will come to them with troops they cannot face and we will expel them from it abased and humiliated.’ (27:37)

And (We desired to) establish them firmly in the land and to show Pharaoh and Haman and their troops the very thing that they were fearing from them. (28:6)

The family of Pharaoh picked him (Musa) up so that he might be an enemy and a source of grief to them. Certainly Pharaoh and Haman and their troops were in the wrong. (28:8)

He (Pharaoh) and his troops were arrogant in the land without any right. They thought that they would not return to Us. So We seized him and his troops and flung them into the sea. See the final fate of the wrongdoers! (28:39-40)

You who believe! Remember Allah’s blessing to you when forces came against you and We sent a wind against them and other forces you could not see. Allah sees what you do. (33:9)

## TRUNK

The pains of labour drove her to the trunk of a date-palm. She (Maryam) said, ‘Oh if only I had died before this time and was something discarded and forgotten!’ (19:23)

(A voice called out to Maryam), ‘Shake the trunk of the palm towards you and fresh, ripe dates will drop down onto you.’ (19:25)

Pharaoh said, ‘Do you believe in him before I have authorised you? He is your chief, the one who taught you magic. I will cut off your hands and feet alternately and have you crucified on palm trunks. Then you will know for certain which of us has the harsher and longer lasting punishment.’ (20:71)

## **TRUST**

If you are on a journey and cannot find a writer, something can be left as a security. If you leave things on trust with one another the one who is trusted must deliver up his trust and have fear of Allah his Lord. Do not conceal testimony. If someone does conceal it, his heart commits a crime. Allah knows what you do. (2:283)

(A group of the People of the Book say,) ‘Do not trust anyone except for those who follow your religion.’ Say, ‘Allah’s guidance is true guidance. But you think it is impossible for anyone to be given the same as you were given, or to argue with you before your Lord.’ Say, ‘All favour is in Allah’s Hand and He gives it to whoever He wills. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing.’ (3:73)

They said, ‘Our Father! What is wrong with you that you refuse to trust us with Yusuf when in truth we only wish him well? (12:11)

The King said, ‘Bring him to me straight away! So I may draw him very close to me.’ When he had spoken with him, he declared, ‘Today you are trusted, established in our sight.’ (12:54)

He (Yusuf’s father) said, ‘How will my trusting him to your care be different from entrusting his brother before? The Best of Guardians, however, is Allah. He is the Most Merciful of the merciful.’ (12:64)

A demon of the jinn said, ‘I will bring it to you before you get up from your seat. I am strong and trustworthy enough to do it.’ (27:39)

One of them said, ‘Hire him, father. The best person to hire is someone strong and trustworthy.’ (28:26)

(Nuh said to Pharaoh,) ‘Hand over to me the servants of Allah. I am a trustworthy Messenger to you.’ (44:18)

Truly it (the Qur'an) is the speech of a noble Messenger, possessing great strength, securely placed with the Lord of the Throne, obeyed there, trustworthy. (81:19-21)

## **(HONOURING) TRUSTS**

If you are on a journey and cannot find a writer, something can be left as a security. If you leave things on trust with one another the one who is

trusted must deliver up his trust and have fear of Allah his Lord. Do not conceal testimony. If someone does conceal it, his heart commits a crime. Allah knows what you do. (2:283)

Among the People of the Book there are some who, if you entrust them with a pile of gold, will return it to you. But there are others among them who, if you entrust them with just a single dinar, will not return it to you, unless you stay standing over them. That is because they say, ‘We are under no obligation where the gentiles are concerned.’ They tell a lie against Allah and they know it. (3:75)

Allah commands you to return to their owners the things you hold on trust and, when you judge between people, to judge with justice. How excellent is what Allah exhorts you to do! Allah is All-Hearing, All-Seeing. (4:58)

You who believe! Do not betray Allah and His Messenger, and do not knowingly betray your trusts. (8:27)

(Believers are) those who honour their trusts and their contracts. (23:8)

We offered the Trust to the heavens, the earth and the mountains but they refused to take it on and shrank from it. But man took it on. He is indeed wrongdoing and ignorant. (33:72)

(Believers are) those who honour their trusts and contracts. (70:32)

## **TUBBA (SEE PEOPLE OF TUBBA)**

### **TUNNEL**

If their turning away is hard on you, then go down a tunnel deep into the earth, if you can, or climb up a ladder into heaven, and bring them a Sign. If Allah had wanted to He would have gathered them all to guidance. So do not be among the ignorant. (6:35)

### **TUWA**

(Allah said to Musa,) ‘I am your Lord. Take off your sandals. You are in the holy valley of Tuwa.’ (20:12)

Has the story of Musa reached you: when his Lord called out to him in the holy valley of Tuwa? (79:15-16)

## **TYRANNY - TYRANT**

They said, 'There are tyrants in it, Musa. We will not enter it until they leave. If they leave it, then we will go in.' (5:22)

We brought the tribe of Israel across the sea and Pharaoh and his troops pursued them out of tyranny and enmity. Then, when he was on the point of drowning, he said, 'I believe that there is no god but Him in whom the tribe of Israel believe. I am one of the Muslims.' (10:90)

That was 'Ad. They denied the Signs of their Lord and disobeyed His Messengers and followed the command of every obdurate tyrant. (11:59)

They asked for Allah's victory, and every obdurate tyrant failed. (14:15)

Allah commands justice and doing good and giving to relatives. And He forbids indecency and doing wrong and tyranny. He warns you so that hopefully you will pay heed. (16:90)

(Hud said to his people,) 'Do you build a tower on every hilltop, just to amuse yourselves, and construct great fortresses, hoping to live for ever, and when you attack, attack as tyrants do?' (26:128-130)

But when he was about to grab the man who was their common enemy, he said, 'Musa! Do you want to kill me just as you killed a person yesterday? You only want to be a tyrant in the land; you do not want to be a reformer.' (28:19)

They only split up after knowledge came to them, tyrannising one another. And were it not for a prior decree from your Lord for a specified term, the judgement between them would already have been made. Those who inherited the Book after them are indeed in grave doubt about it. (42:14)

We made the Commandments very clear to them and they only differed after knowledge came to them, tyrannising one other. Your Lord will decide between them on the Day of Rising regarding the things they differed about. (45:17)

Do you not see what your Lord did with 'Ad-Iram of the Columns whose like was not created in any land—and Thamud who carved out rocks in the valley-side, and Pharaoh of the Stakes, all of whom were tyrants in their lands and caused much corruption in them? (89:6-12)

Thamud denied in their excessive tyranny.  
(91:11)

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## UHUD (SEE BATTLE OF UHUD)

### UMMI

... He said, 'As for My punishment, I strike with it anyone I will. My mercy extends to all things but I will prescribe it for those who guard against evil and give the alms, and those who believe in Our Signs: those who follow the Messenger, the Ummi, whom they find written down with them in the Torah and the Gospel, commanding them to do right and forbidding them to do wrong, making good things lawful for them and bad things forbidden for them, relieving them of their heavy loads and the chains which were around them. Those who believe in him and honour him and help him, and follow the Light that has been sent down with him, they are the ones who are successful.' (7:156-157)

Say: 'Mankind! I am the Messenger of Allah to you all, of Him to Whom the kingdom of the heavens and earth belongs. There is no god but Him. He gives life and causes to die.' So believe in Allah and His Messenger, the Ummi, who believes in Allah and His words, and follow him so that hopefully you will be guided. (7:158)

### UNAWARENESS

Because of the fact that they broke their covenant, and rejected Allah's Signs, and killed the Prophets without any right to do so and said, 'Our hearts are uncircumcised,' Allah has stamped them with disbelief, so they do not believe except for very few. (4:155)

Even if We were to send down a book to you on parchment pages and they were actually to touch it with their own hands, those who disbelieve would still say, 'This is nothing but downright magic.' (6:7)

They do not measure Allah with His true measure when they say, 'Allah would not send down anything to a mere human being.' Say: 'Who, then, sent down the Book which Musa brought as a Light and Guidance for the people?' You put it down on sheets of paper to display it while concealing much. You were taught things you

did not know, neither you nor your forefathers. Say: 'Allah!' Then leave them engrossed in playing their games. (6:91)

They said, 'No matter what kind of Sign you bring us to bewitch us, we will not believe in you.' (Qur'an, 7:132)

I will divert from My Signs all those who are arrogant in the earth without any right. If they see every Sign, they will not believe in it. If they see the way of right guidance, they will not take it as a way. But if they see the way of error, they will take that as a way. That is because they denied Our Signs and paid no attention to them. (7:146) We created many of the jinn and mankind for Hell. They have hearts they do not understand with. They have eyes they do not see with. They have ears they do not hear with. Such people are like cattle. No, they are even further astray! They are the unaware. (7:179)

Remember your Lord in yourself humbly and fearfully, without loudness of voice, morning and evening. Do not be one of the unaware. (7:205) Then after him We sent Messengers to their people, and they brought them the Clear Signs, but they were never going to believe in something which they had previously denied. That is how We seal up the hearts of those who overstep the limits. (10:74)

Those are the people whose hearts, hearing and sight Allah has sealed up. They are the unaware. (16:108)

When you recite the Qur'an, We place an obscuring veil between you and those who do not believe in the hereafter. (17:45)

We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. When you mention your Lord alone in the Qur'an, they turn their backs and run away. (17:46)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who is reminded of the Signs of his Lord and then turns away from them, forgetting all that he has done before? We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. Though you call them to guidance, they will nonetheless never be guided. (18:57)

(On the Day of Threat, they will be told,) ‘You were heedless of this so We have stripped you of your covering and today your sight is sharp.’ (50:22)

Restrain yourself patiently with those who call on their Lord morning and evening, desiring His face. Do not turn your eyes from them, desiring the attractions of this world. And do not obey someone whose heart We have made neglectful of Our remembrance and who follows his own whims and desires and whose life has transgressed all bounds. (18:28)

Warn them of the Day of Bitter Regret when the affair will be resolved. But they take no notice. They have no faith. (19:39)

Mankind’s Reckoning has drawn very close to them, yet they heedlessly turn away. (21:1)

And (when) the True Promise is very close, the eyes of those who disbelieved will be transfixed: ‘Alas for us! We were unmindful of this! No, rather we were definitely wrongdoers.’ (21:97)  
So leave them in their glut of ignorance for a while. (23:54)

However, their hearts are overwhelmed by ignorance about this matter and they do other things as well. (23:63)

If you asked them, ‘Who created the heavens and the earth?’ they would say, ‘Allah!’ Say: ‘Praise be to Allah!’ But most of them do not know. (31:25)  
They say, ‘Our hearts are covered up against what you call us to and there is a heaviness in our ears. There is a screen between us and you.

So act—we are certainly acting.’ (41:5)

Have you seen him who takes his whims and desires to be his god—whom Allah has misguided knowingly, sealing up his hearing and his heart and placing a blindfold over his eyes? Who then will guide him after Allah? So will you not pay heed? (45:23)

That is because they have believed and then returned to disbelief. So their hearts have been sealed up and they cannot understand. (63:3)

Say: ‘Allah gives you life, then causes you to die, and then will gather you together for the Day of Rising about which there is no doubt. But most people do not know it.’ (45:26)

## UNCLE

There is no objection to the blind, no objection to the lame, no objection to the sick; nor to yourselves if you eat in your own houses or your fathers’ houses or your mothers’ houses or your brothers’ houses or your sisters’ houses or the houses of your paternal uncles or paternal aunts or the houses of your maternal uncles or maternal aunts or places to which you own the keys or those of your friends. There is nothing wrong in your eating together or eating separately. And when you enter houses greet one another with a greeting from Allah, blessed and good. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (24:61)

O Prophet! We have made lawful for you: your wives to whom you have given dowries and any slavegirls you own from the booty Allah has allotted you and the daughters of your paternal uncles and the daughters of your paternal aunts and the daughters of your maternal uncles and the daughters of your maternal aunts who have migrated with you and any believing woman who gives herself to the Prophet if the Prophet desires to marry her: exclusively for you as opposed to the rest of the believers—We know very well what We have prescribed for them regarding their wives and any slavegirls they possess—in order that there be no restriction on you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:50)

## UNCLEAN

Say: ‘I do not find, in what has been revealed to me, any food it is forbidden to eat except for carrion, flowing blood, and pork—for that is unclean—or some deviance consecrated to other than Allah. But if anyone is forced to eat it, without desiring to or going to excess in it, your Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.’ (6:145)

You who believe! The idolaters are unclean, so after this year they should not come near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). If you fear impoverishment, Allah will enrich you from His bounty if He wills. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:28)

## **UNDERSTANDING**

We said, 'Hit him (the body of the person you killed) with part of it (the cow you sacrificed)!' In that way Allah gives life to the dead and He shows you His Signs so that hopefully you will understand. (2:73)

Do you really hope they will follow you in faith when a group of them heard Allah's Word and then, after grasping it, knowingly distorted it? (2:75)

When they are told, 'Follow what Allah has sent down to you,' They say, 'We are following what we found our fathers doing.' What, even though their fathers did not understand a thing and were not guided! (2:170)

Allah, there is no god but Him, the Living, the Self-Sustaining. He is not subject to drowsiness or sleep. Everything in the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. Who can intercede with Him except by His permission? He knows what is before them and what is behind them but they cannot grasp any of His knowledge save what He wills. His Footstool encompasses the heavens and the earth and their preservation does not tire Him. He is the Most High, the Magnificent. (2:255)

Wherever you are, death will catch up with you, even if you are in impregnable fortresses. If a good thing happens to them, they say, 'This has come from Allah.' But if a bad thing happens to them, they say, 'This has come from you.' Say, 'Everything comes from Allah.' What is the matter with these people that they scarcely understand a single word? (4:78)

Some of them listen to you but We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. Though they see every Sign, they still have no faith, so that when they come to you, disputing with you, those who disbelieve say, 'This is nothing but the myths of previous peoples!' (6:25)

Say: 'He possesses the power to send you punishment from above your heads or from beneath your feet, or to confuse you in sects and make you taste one another's violence.' Look how We vary the Signs so that hopefully they will understand. (6:65)

It is He Who first produced you from a single self, then from a resting-place and a repository. We have made the Signs clear for people who understand. (6:98)

We created many of the jinn and mankind for Hell. They have hearts they do not understand with. They have eyes they do not see with. They have ears they do not hear with. Such people are like cattle. No, they are even further astray! They are the unaware. (7:179)

O Prophet! Spur on the believers to fight. If there are twenty of you who are steadfast, they will overcome two hundred; and if there are a hundred of you, they will overcome a thousand of those who disbelieve, because they are people who do not understand. (8:65)

They are pleased to be with those who stay behind. Their hearts have been stamped so they do not understand. (9:87)

Each time a sura is sent down, they look at one another, implying, 'Can anyone see you?' Then they turn away. Allah has turned their hearts away because they are people who do not understand. (9:127)

Among them there are some who listen to you. But can you make the deaf hear even though they cannot understand? (10:42)

They said, 'Shu'ayb, We do not understand much of what you say and we see you are weak among us. Were it not for your clan, we would have stoned you. We do not hold you in high esteem!' (11:91)

The seven heavens and the earth and everyone in them glorify Him. There is nothing which does not glorify Him with praise but you do not understand their glorification. He is All-Forbearing, Ever-Forgiving. (17:44)

We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. When you mention your Lord alone in the Qur'an, they turn their backs and run away. (17:46)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who is reminded of the Signs of his Lord and then turns away from them, forgetting all that he has done before? We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it,

and heaviness in their ears. Though you call them to guidance, they will nonetheless never be guided. (18:57)

Then he (Dhu'l-Qarnayn) followed a path until he arrived between the two mountains where he found a people scarcely able to understand speech. (18:92-93)

Loosen the knot in my tongue so that they will understand my words. (20:27-28)

We gave Sulayman understanding of it. We gave each of them judgement and knowledge. We subjected the mountains to Dawud, glorifying, and the birds as well. This is something We are well able to do. (21:79)

Have they not travelled about the earth and do they not have hearts to understand with or ears to hear with? It is not their eyes which are blind but the hearts in their breasts which are blind. (22:46)

Do you suppose that most of them hear or understand? They are just like cattle. Indeed they are even more astray! (25:44)

Such metaphors—We devise them for mankind; but only those with knowledge understand them. (29:43)

People will ask you about the Last Hour. Say: 'Only Allah has knowledge of it. What will make you understand? It may be that the Last Hour is very near.' (33:63)

You are a greater cause of terror in their breasts than Allah! That is because they (the hypocrites) are people who do not understand. (59:13)

That is because they have believed and then returned to disbelief. So their hearts have been sealed up and they cannot understand. (63:3)

They are the people who say, 'Do not spend on those who are with the Messenger of Allah, so that they may go away.' The treasures of the heavens and earth belong to Allah. But the hypocrites do not understand this. (63:7)

## UNGRATEFULNESS

Remember Me—I will remember you. Give thanks to Me and do not be ungrateful. (2:152)

If We let man taste mercy from Us, and then take it away from him, he is despairing, ungrateful. (11:9)

He has given you everything you have asked Him for. If you tried to number Allah's blessings, you could never count them. Man is indeed wrongdoing, ungrateful. (14:34)

(Musa said to his people,) 'And when your Lord announced: "If you are grateful, I will certainly give you increase, but if you are ungrateful, My punishment is severe." (14:7)

Allah makes an example of a city which was safe and at peace, its provision coming to it plentifully from every side. Then it showed ingratitude for Allah's blessings so Allah made it wear the robes of hunger and fear for what it did. (16:112) But when He removes the harm from you, a group of you associate others with their Lord, ungrateful for what We have given them. Enjoy yourselves. You will soon know! (16:54-55)

Squanderers are brothers to the Satans, and Satan was ungrateful to his Lord. (17:27)

When harm occurs to you at sea, those you call on vanish—except for Him alone! But when He delivers you to dry land, you turn away. Man truly is ungrateful. (17:67)

Or do you feel secure against Him taking you back into it another time and sending a violent storm against you and drowning you for your ingratitude? Then you will find no one to defend you against Us. (17:69)

Allah will defend those who believe. Allah does not love any thankless traitor. (22:38)

It is He Who gave you life and then will cause you to die and then will give you life again. Man is truly ungrateful. (22:66)

(Pharaoh said to Musa,) 'Yet you did the deed you did and were ungrateful.' (26:19)

He who possessed knowledge of the Book said, 'I will bring it to you before your glance returns to you.' And when he saw it standing firmly in his presence, he (Sulayman) said, 'This is part of my Lord's favour to test me to see if I will give thanks or show ingratitude. Whoever gives thanks only does so to his own gain. Whoever is ungrateful, my Lord is Rich Beyond Need, Generous.' (27:40)

Let them be ungrateful for what We have given them! Let them enjoy themselves—they will soon know! (29:66)

When harm touches people they call on their Lord, repenting to Him. But then, when He gives them a taste of mercy from Him, a group of them immediately associate others with their Lord to show ingratitude for what We have given them. 'Enjoy yourselves—you will soon know.' (30:33-34)

When the waves hang over them like canopies, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His. But then when He delivers them safely to the land, some of them are ambivalent. None but a treacherous, thankless man denies Our Signs. (31:32)

That is how We repaid them for their ingratitude. Are any but the ungrateful repaid like this? (34:17)

Whereas for those who disbelieve there will be the Fire of Hell. They will not be killed off so that they die and its punishment will not be lightened for them. That is how We repay every thankless man. (35:36)

But if they turn away, We have not sent you to be their guardian. You are only responsible for transmission. When We let a man taste mercy from Us he exults in it. But if something bad strikes him for what he has done he is ungrateful. (42:48)

They have assigned to Him a portion of His creatures! Truly man is openly ungrateful. (43:15)

We guided him on the Way, whether he is thankful or unthankful. (76:3)

Therefore wait patiently for the judgement of your Lord. Do not obey any evildoer or thankless man among them. (76:24)

Curse man for his ingratitude! (80:17)

Truly man is ungrateful to his Lord. (100:6)

## UNITY

Hold fast to the rope of Allah all together, and do not separate. Remember Allah's blessing to you when you were enemies and He joined your hearts together so that you became brothers by His blessing. You were on the very brink of a pit of the Fire and He rescued you from it. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will be guided. (3:103)

Obey Allah and His Messenger and do not quarrel among yourselves lest you lose heart and your

momentum disappear. And be steadfast. Allah is with the steadfast. (8:46)

He has laid down the same religion for you as He enjoined on Nuh: that which We have revealed to you and which We enjoined on Ibrahim, Musa and 'Isa: 'Establish the religion and do not make divisions in it.' What you call the idolaters to follow is very hard for them. Allah chooses for Himself anyone He wills and guides to Himself those who turn to Him. (42:13)

Allah loves those who fight in His Way in ranks like well-built walls. (61:4)

## UNSEEN, THE (AL-GAYB)

... It (the Qur'an) contains guidance for those who guard against evil: those who believe in the Unseen and perform prayer and spend from what We have provided for them. (2:2-3)

He said, 'Adam, tell them their names.' When he had told them their names, He said, 'Did I not tell you that I know the Unseen of the heavens and the earth, and I know what you make known and what you hide?' (2:33)

This is news from the Unseen which We reveal to you. You were not with them when they cast their reeds to see which of them would be the guardian of Maryam. You were not with them when they quarrelled. (3:44)

Allah will only leave the believers in the position you now are in so that He can sift out the rotten from the good. Allah has not given you access to the Unseen. But Allah chooses those of His Messengers whom He wills. So believe in Allah and His Messengers. If you believe and guard against evil you will have an immense reward. (3:179)

You who believe! Allah will test you with game animals which come within the reach of your hands and spears, so that Allah will know those who fear Him in the Unseen. Anyone who oversteps the limits after this will have a painful punishment. (5:94)

On the day Allah gathers the Messengers together and says, 'What response did you receive?' they will say, 'We do not know. You are the Knower of unseen things.' (5:109)

And when Allah says, "Isa son of Maryam! Did

you say to people, "Take me and my mother as gods besides Allah?" he will say, 'Glory be to You! It is not for me to say what I have no right to say! If I had said it, then You would have known it. You know what is in my self but I do not know what is in Your Self. You are the Knower of all unseen things.' (5:116)

Say: 'I do not say to you that I possess the treasures of Allah, nor do I know the Unseen, nor do I say to you that I am an angel. I only follow what has been revealed to me.' Say: 'Are the blind the same as those who can see? So will you not reflect?' (6:50)

The keys of the Unseen are in His possession. No one knows them but Him. He knows everything in the land and sea. No leaf falls without His knowing it. There is no seed in the darkness of the earth, and nothing moist or dry which is not in a Clear Book. (6:59)

It is He Who created the heavens and the earth with truth. The day He says 'Be!' it is. His speech is Truth. The Kingdom will be His on the Day the Trumpet is blown, the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible. He is the All-Wise, the All-Aware. (6:73)

Say: 'I possess no power to help or harm myself, except as Allah wills. If I had had knowledge of the Unseen, I would have sought to gain much good and no evil would have touched me. I am only a warner and a bringer of good news to people who believe.' (7:188)

Do they not know that Allah knows their secrets and their private talk, and that Allah is the Knower of all unseen things? (9:78)

They will make excuses to you when you return to them. Say: 'Do not make excuses, we will not believe you. Allah has already informed us about you. Allah will see your actions, as will His Messenger. Then you will be returned to the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible, and He will inform you regarding what you did.' (9:94)

Say: 'Act, for Allah will see your actions, and so will His Messenger and the believers. You will be returned to the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible and He will inform you regarding what you did.' (9:105)

They say, 'Why has a Sign not been sent down to

him from his Lord?' Say: 'The Unseen belongs to Allah alone. So wait, I am waiting with you.' (10:20)

(Nuh said to his people,) 'I do not say to you that I possess the treasures of Allah; nor do I know the Unseen; nor do I say that I am an angel; nor do I say to those who are vile in your eyes that Allah will not give them any good. Allah knows best what is in their hearts. If I did, I would certainly be one of the wrongdoers.' (11:31)

That is some of the news of the Unseen which We reveal to you. Neither you nor your people knew it before this time. So be steadfast. The best end result is for those who guard against evil. (11:49)

The Unseen of the heavens and the earth belongs to Allah and the whole affair will be returned to Him. So worship Him and put your trust in Him. Your Lord is not unaware of what you do. (11:123)

(The eldest of them said,) 'Return now to your father and say to him, "Your son stole, father. We can do no more than testify to what we know and we are not the guardians of the Unseen." (12:81) This is news of the Unseen which We reveal to you. You were not with them when they decided what to do and devised their scheme. (12:102)

(He is) the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible, the Most Great, the High-Exalted. (13:9)

The Unseen of the heavens and earth belongs to Allah. The matter of the Hour is only the blink of an eye away, or even nearer. Allah has power over all things. (16:77)

They will say, 'There were three of them, their dog being the fourth.' They will say, 'There were five of them, their dog being the sixth,' guessing at the Unseen. And they will say, 'There were seven of them, their dog being the eighth.' Say: 'My Lord knows best their number. Those who know about them are very few.' So do not enter into any argument concerning them, except in relation to what is clearly known. And do not seek the opinion of any of them regarding them. (18:22)

Say: 'Allah knows best how long they stayed. The Unseen of the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. How perfectly He sees, how well He hears!

They have no protector apart from Him. Nor does He share His rule with anyone.' (18:26)

Gardens of Eden which the All-Merciful has promised to His servants in the Unseen. His promise is always kept. (19:61)

Has he surveyed the Unseen or has he a contract with the All-Merciful? (19:78)

... for the heedful: those who fear their Lord in the Unseen and are apprehensive about the Hour. (21:48-49)

Knower of the Unseen and the Visible! May He be exalted above all they associate with Him! (23:92)

Say: 'No one in the heavens and the earth knows the Unseen except Allah.' They are not aware of when they will be raised. (27:65)

That is the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible, the Almighty, the Most Merciful. (32:6)

Those who disbelieve say, 'The Hour will never come.' Say: 'Yes, by my Lord, it certainly will come!' He is the Knower of the Unseen, Whom not even the weight of the smallest particle eludes, either in the heavens or in the earth; nor is there anything smaller or larger than that which is not in a Clear Book. (34:3)

Then when We decreed that he should die, nothing divulged his death to them except the worm which ate his staff; so that when he fell down it was made clear to the jinn that if they had truly had knowledge of the Unseen they need not have stayed there suffering humiliating punishment. (34:14)

Say: 'My Lord hurls forth the Truth—the Knower of all unseen things.' (34:48)

They will say, 'We believe in it,' but how can they reach out for it from a distant place when beforehand they had rejected it, shooting forth about the Unseen from a distant place? (34:52-53)

No burden-bearer can bear another's burden. If someone weighed down calls for help to bear his load, none of it will be borne for him, even by his next of kin. You can only warn those who fear their Lord in the Unseen and perform prayer. Whoever is purified, is purified for himself alone. Allah is your final destination. (35:18)

Allah knows the Unseen of the heavens and

earth. Allah knows what the heart contains. (35:38)

You can only warn those who act on the Reminder and fear the All-Merciful in the Unseen. Give them the good news of forgiveness and a generous reward. (36:11)

Say: 'O Allah, Originator of the heavens and the earth, Knower of the Unseen and the Visible, You will judge between Your servants regarding what they differed about.' (39:46)

Allah knows the unseen things of the heavens and the earth. Allah sees what you do. (49:18)

(The Garden is for) those who fear the All-Merciful in the Unseen and come with a contrite heart. (50:33)

Or is the Unseen in their hands so they can write out what is to happen? (52:41)

Does he have knowledge of the Unseen, enabling him to see? (53:35)

We sent Our Messengers with the Clear Signs and sent down the Book and the Balance with them so that mankind might establish justice. And We sent down iron in which there lies great force and which has many uses for mankind, so that Allah might know those who help Him and His Messengers in the Unseen. Allah is All-Strong, Almighty. (57:25)

He is Allah—there is no god but Him. He is the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible. He is the All-Merciful, the Most Merciful. (59:22)

Say: 'Death, from which you are fleeing, will certainly catch up with you. Then you will be returned to the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible and He will inform you about what you did.' (62:8)

(Allah is) the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (64:18)

Those who fear their Lord in the Unseen will have forgiveness and an immense reward. (67:12)

Or is the Unseen in their hands, so they can write out what is to happen? (68:47)

He is the Knower of the Unseen, and does not divulge His Unseen to anyone—except a Messenger with whom He is well pleased, and then He posts sentinels before him and behind him. (72:26-27)

Nor is he miserly with the Unseen. (81:24)

### **USURY (RIBA)**

Those who practise usury will not rise from the grave except as someone driven mad by Satan's touch. That is because they say, 'Trade is the same as usury.' But Allah has permitted trade and He has forbidden usury. Whoever is given a warning by his Lord and then desists, can keep what he received in the past and his affair is Allah's concern. But all who return to it will be the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:275)

Allah obliterates usury but makes charity grow in value! Allah does not love any persistently ungrateful wrongdoer. (2:276)

You who believe! Have fear of Allah and forgo any remaining usury if you are believers. If you do not, know that it means war from Allah and His Messenger. But if you repent you may have your capital, without wronging and without being wronged. (2:278-279)

You who believe! Do not feed on usury, multiplied and then remultiplied. Have fear of Allah so that hopefully you will be successful. (3:130) And because of their practising usury when they were forbidden to do it, and because of their consuming people's wealth by wrongful means, We have prepared for the disbelievers among them a painful punishment. (4:161)

What you give with usurious intent, aiming to get back a greater amount from people's wealth, does not become greater with Allah. But anything you give as alms, seeking the Face of Allah—all who do that will get back twice as much. (30:39)

### **UZAYR (AS)**

The Jews say, "Uzayr is the son of Allah," and the Christians say, "The Messiah is the son of Allah." That is what they say with their mouths, copying the words of those who disbelieved before. Allah fight them! How perverted they are! (9:30)

# V

## VAINGLORY

But those who disbelieve are full of vainglory and entrenched in hostility. (38:2)

## VALLEY

Nor will they give away any amount, whether large or small, nor will they cross any valley, without it being written down for them so that Allah can recompense them for the best of what they did. (9:121)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord! I have settled some of my offspring by Your Sacred House in an uncultivated valley. Our Lord! Let them perform prayer! Make the hearts of mankind incline towards them and provide them with fruits, so that hopefully they will be thankful.' (14:37)

(Allah said to Musa) 'I am your Lord. Take off your sandals. You are in the holy valley of Tuwa.' (20:12)

Then, when they reached the Valley of the Ants, an ant said, 'Ants! Enter your dwellings so that Sulayman and his troops do not crush you unwittingly.' (27:18)

But when he reached it a voice called out to him from the right hand side of the valley in the part which was full of blessing, from out of the bush: 'Musa, I am Allah, the Lord of all the worlds.' (28:30)

When they saw it as a storm cloud advancing on their valleys they said, 'This is a storm cloud which will give us rain.' No, rather it is what you desired to hasten—a wind containing painful punishment. (46:24)

Has the story of Musa reached you: when his Lord called out to him in the holy valley of Tuwa? (79:15-16)

Do you not see what your Lord did with 'Ad—Iram of the Columns whose like was not created in any land—and Thamud who carved out rocks in the valley-side? (89:6-9)

## VEGETABLES

And when you said, 'Musa, we will not put up with just one kind of food so ask your Lord to supply to us some of what the earth produces—its

green vegetables, cucumbers, grains, lentils and onions,' he said, 'Do you want to replace what is better with what is inferior? Go back to Egypt, then you will have what you are asking for.' Abasement and destitution were stamped upon them. They brought down anger from Allah upon themselves. That was because they rejected Allah's Signs and killed the Prophets without any right to do so. That was because they rebelled and went beyond the limits. (2:61)

## VEIL

When you recite the Qur'an, We place an obscuring veil between you and those who do not believe in the hereafter. (17:45)

Mention Maryam in the Book, how she withdrew from her people to an eastern place, and veiled herself from them. Then We sent Our Spirit to her and it took on for her the form of a handsome, well-built man. (19:16-17)

He (Sulayman) said, 'Truly do I love the love of good, with a view to the glory of my Lord until the sun disappeared behind its veil.' (38:32)

It does not befit Allah to address any human being except by inspiration, or from behind a veil, or He sends a messenger who then reveals by His permission whatever He wills. He is indeed Most High, All-Wise. (42:51)

No indeed! Rather that Day they will be veiled from their Lord. (83:15)

## VEIN

We created man and We know what his own self whispers to him. We are nearer to him than his jugular vein. (50:16)

## VERSES THAT ARE THE CORE OF THE BOOK (MUHKAM VERSES)

It is He Who sent down the Book to you from Him: verses containing clear judgements—they are the core of the Book—and others which are open to interpretation. Those with deviation in their hearts follow what is open to interpretation in it, desiring conflict, seeking its inner meaning. No one knows its inner meaning but Allah. Those firmly rooted in knowledge say, 'We believe in it. All of it is from our Lord.' But only peo-

ple of intelligence pay heed. (3:7)

### **VERSES THAT ARE OPEN TO INTERPRETATION (MUTASHABIH VERSES)**

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### **VICTORIOUS**

So let those who sell the life of this world for the hereafter fight in the Way of Allah. If someone fights in the Way of Allah, whether he is killed or is victorious, We will pay him an immense reward. (4:74)

Two men among those who were afraid, but whom Allah had blessed, said, ‘Enter the gate against them! Once you have entered it, you will be victorious. Put your trust in Allah if you are believers.’ (5:23)

As for those who make Allah their friend, and His Messenger and those who believe: it is the party of Allah who are victorious! (5:56)

Those who believe and migrate and strive in the Way of Allah with their wealth and themselves have a higher rank with Allah. They are the ones who are victorious. (9:20)

(Allah will say,) ‘Today I have rewarded them for being steadfast. They are the ones who are victorious.’ (23:111)

All who obey Allah and His Messenger and have awe of Allah and fear of Him, they are the ones who are victorious. (24:52)

In the land nearby, but after their defeat they will themselves be victorious. (30:3)

It is Our army which will be victorious. (37:173)

Allah will give security those who guarded against evil in their victorious Safe Haven. No evil will touch them and they will know no sorrow. (39:61)

Allah has written, ‘I will be victorious, I and My

Messengers.’ Allah is Most Strong, Almighty. (58:21)

You who believe! Be helpers of Allah as ‘Isa son of Maryam said to the Disciples, ‘Who will be my helpers to Allah?’ The Disciples said, ‘We will be the helpers of Allah.’ One faction of the tribe of Israel believed and the other disbelieved. So We supported those who believed against their enemy and they became victorious. (61:14)

### **VICTORY**

When a Book does come to them from Allah, confirming what is with them—even though before that they were praying for victory over the disbelievers—yet when what they recognise does come to them, they reject it. Allah’s curse is on the disbelievers. (2:89)

These are Allah’s limits. As for those who obey Allah and His Messenger, We will admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the Great Victory. (4:13)

But if you meet with favour from Allah they say—as if there were no friendship between you and them—‘Oh! If only I had been with them so that I too might have won a great victory.’ (4:73) Those who anticipate the worst for you say, ‘Were we not with you?’ whenever you gain a victory from Allah, but if the disbelievers have a success they say, ‘Did we not have the upper hand over you and yet in spite of that keep the believers away from you?’ Allah will judge between you on the Day of Rising. Allah will not give the disbelievers any way against the believers. (4:141)

Yet you see those with sickness in their hearts rushing to them, saying, ‘We fear the wheel of fate may turn against us.’ But it may well be that Allah will bring about victory or some other contingency from Him. Then they will deeply regret their secret thoughts. (5:52)

Allah will say, ‘This is the Day when the sincerity of the sincere will benefit them. They will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. That is the Great Victory.’ (5:119)

Anyone from whom punishment is averted on that Day has been shown great mercy by Allah. That is the Clear Victory. (6:16)

Remember when you called on your Lord for help and He responded to you: 'I will reinforce you with a thousand angels riding rank after rank.' Allah only did this to give you good news and that so your hearts would be at rest. Victory comes from no one but Allah. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (8:9-10)

If it was a decisive victory you were seeking, that victory has clearly been won. If you desist, it will be better for you; but if you return, We also will return. Your troops will not help you at all, however many they are. Allah is with the believers. (8:19)

Those who believe and migrate and strive in the Way of Allah with their wealth and themselves have a higher rank with Allah. They are the ones who are victorious. (9:20)

Allah has promised the men and women of the believers Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and fine dwellings in the Gardens of Eden. And Allah's good pleasure is even greater. That is the great victory. (9:72)

Allah has prepared Gardens for them with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the great victory. (9:89)  
The forerunners—the first of the Migrants (Muhajirun) and the Supporters (Ansar)—and those who have followed them in doing good: Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. He has prepared Gardens for them with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. That is the great victory. (9:100)

Allah has bought from the believers their selves and their wealth in return for the Garden. They fight in the Way of Allah and they kill and are killed. It is a promise binding on Him in the Torah, the Gospel and the Qur'an and who is truer to his contract than Allah? Rejoice then in the bargain you have made. That is the great victory. (9:111)

There is good news for them in the life of this world and in the hereafter. There is no changing

the words of Allah. That is the great victory! (10:64)

They asked for Allah's victory, and every obdurate tyrant failed. (14:15)

(Allah will say,) 'Today I have rewarded them for being steadfast. They are the ones who are victorious.' (23:111)

All who obey Allah and His Messenger and have awe of Allah and fear of Him, they are the ones who are victorious. (24:52)

The Romans have been defeated in the land nearby, but after their defeat they will themselves be victorious in a few years' time. The affair is Allah's from beginning to end. On that day, the believers will rejoice in Allah's help. He grants victory to whoever He wills. He is the Almighty, the Most Merciful. (30:2-5)

They say, 'When will this victory come if you are telling the truth?' (32:28)

Say: 'On the Day of Victory the faith of those who disbelieved will be of no use to them. They will be granted no reprieve.' (32:29)

He will put your actions right for you and forgive you your wrong deeds. All who obey Allah and His Messenger have won a mighty victory. (33:71)

Truly this is the Great Victory! (37:60)

Allah will give security those who guarded against evil in their victorious Safe Haven. No evil will touch them and they will know no sorrow. (39:61)

(Angels ask forgiveness for those who believe:) 'And safeguard them from evil acts. Those You safeguard from evil acts are truly the recipients of Your mercy on that Day. That is the Mighty Victory.' (40:9)

A favour from your Lord. That is the Great Victory. (44:57)

As for those who believed and did right actions, their Lord will admit them into His mercy. That is the Clear Victory. (45:30)

Truly We have granted you a clear victory, so that Allah may forgive you your earlier errors and any later ones and complete His blessing upon you, and guide you on a Straight Path and so that Allah may help you with a mighty help. (48:1-3)  
(It is) so that He may admit the men and women

of the believers into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and erase their bad actions from them; and in Allah's sight that is a mighty victory. (48:5) Allah was pleased with the believers when they pledged allegiance to you under the tree. He knew what was in their hearts, and sent down serenity to them and has rewarded them with an imminent victory, and with much booty which they will take. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (48:18-19)

Allah has confirmed His Messenger's vision with truth: 'You will enter the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) in safety, Allah willing, shaving your heads and cutting your hair without any fear.' He knew what you did not know and ordained, in place of this, an imminent victory. (48:27)

And how is it with you that you do not give in the Way of Allah, when the inheritance of the heavens and the earth belongs to Allah? Those of you who gave and fought before the Victory are not the same as those who gave and fought afterwards. They are higher in rank. But to each of them Allah has promised the Best. Allah is aware of what you do. (57:10)

On the Day you see the men and women of the believers, with their light streaming out in front of them, and to their right: 'Good news for you today of Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the Great Victory.' (57:12)

The Companions of the Fire and the Companions of the Garden are not the same. It is the Companions of the Garden who are the victors. (59:20)

He will forgive you your wrong actions and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, and fine dwellings in the Gardens of Eden. That is the Great Victory. (61:12)

And other things you love: support from Allah and imminent victory. Give good news to the believers! (61:13)

On the Day He gathers you for the Day of Gathering—that is the Day of Profit and Loss. As for those who believe in Allah and act rightly, We will erase their bad actions from them and admit them into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever and ever. That

is the Great Victory! (64:9)

For those who guard against evil there is triumph. (78:31)

But those who believe and do right actions will have Gardens with rivers flowing under them. That is the Great Victory. (85:11)

When Allah's help and victory have arrived and you have seen people entering Allah's religion in droves, then glorify your Lord's praise and ask His forgiveness. He is the Ever-Returning. (110:1-3)

## VIRGIN

They said, 'Ask your Lord to make it clear to us what it should be like.' He (Musa) said, 'He says it should be a cow, not old or virgin, but somewhere between the two. So do as you have been told.' (2:68)

(In Paradise) We have brought maidens into being and made them purest virgins. (56:35-36) It may be that if he does divorce you, his Lord will give him in exchange better wives than you: Muslim women, believing women, obedient women, penitent women, women who worship, women who fast much—previously married women as well as virgins. (66:5)

## VISION

The King declared, 'I dreamt of seven fat cows which seven thin ones ate and seven green ears of wheat and seven others which were dry. O counsellors! Explain my dream to me if you are those who can interpret visions!' (12:43)

When We said to you, 'Surely your Lord encompasses the people with His knowledge.' We only appointed the vision We showed you and the Accursed Tree in the Qur'an as a trial and temptation for the people. We frighten them, but it only increases them in their excessive insolence. (17:60)

We called out to him, 'Ibrahim! You have discharged your vision.' That is how We recompense good-doers. (37:104-105)

Allah has confirmed His Messenger's vision with truth: 'You will enter the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) in safety, Allah willing, shaving your heads and cutting your hair without any fear.' He knew what you did not know and ordained, in

place of this, an imminent victory. (48:27)

### VOICE

Remember your Lord in yourself humbly and fearfully, without loudness of voice, morning and evening. Do not be one of the unaware. (7:205) (Allah said to Satan,) ‘Stir up any of them you can with your voice and rally against them your cavalry and your infantry and share with them in their children and their wealth and make them promises!’ The promise of Satan is nothing but delusion. (17:64)

A voice called out to her (Maryam) from under her, ‘Do not grieve! Your Lord has placed a small stream at your feet.’ (19:24)

Then when he reached it, a voice called out, ‘Musa!’ (20:11)

On that day they will follow the Summoner who has no crookedness in him at all. Voices will be humbled before the All-Merciful and nothing but a whisper will be heard. (20:108)

But when he (Musa) reached it, a voice called out to him, ‘Blessed be Him who is in the Fire and all who are around it. Glory be to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds!’ (27:8)

But when he reached it a voice called out to him from the right hand side of the valley in the part which was full of blessing, from out of the bush: ‘Musa, I am Allah, the Lord of all the worlds.’ (28:30)

(Luqman said to his son,) ‘Be moderate in your tread and lower your voice. The most hateful of voices is the donkey’s bray.’ (31:19)

You who believe! Do not raise your voices above the voice of the Prophet and do not be as loud when speaking to him as you are when speaking to one another, lest your actions should come to nothing without your realising it. (49:2)

Those who lower their voices when they are with the Messenger of Allah are people whose hearts Allah has tested for heedfulness. They will have forgiveness and an immense reward. (49:3)

### VOW

Whatever amount you spend or vow you make, Allah knows it. The wrongdoers have no helpers. (2:270)

(A voice called out to Maryam,) ‘Eat and drink and delight your eyes. If you should see anyone at all, just say, “I have made a vow of abstinence to the All-Merciful and today I will not speak to any human being.”’ (19:26)

(We said to Ibrahim,) ‘Then they should end their state of self-neglect and fulfil their vows and circle the Ancient House.’ (22:29)

They fulfil their vows and fear a Day whose evil will spread far and wide. (76:7)

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## WADD

They have hatched a mighty plot saying, "Do not abandon your gods. Do not abandon Wadd or Suwa' or Yaghuth or Ya'uq or Nasr." (71:22-23)

## WAGE

They are the ones Allah has guided, so be guided by their guidance. Say, 'I do not ask you for any wage for it. It is simply a reminder to all beings.' (6:90)

(Hud said,) 'My people! I do not ask you for any wage for it. My wage is the responsibility of Him Who brought me into being. So will you not use your intellect?' (11:51)

You do not ask them for any wage for it. It is only a reminder to all beings. (12:104)

So they went on until they reached the inhabitants of a town. They asked them for food but they refused them hospitality. They found there a wall about to fall down and he built it up. Musa said, 'If you had wanted, you could have taken a wage for doing that.' (18:77)

Say: 'I do not ask you for any wage for it—only that anyone who wants to should make his way towards his Lord.' (25:57)

(Nuh said,) 'I do not ask you for any wage for it. My wage is the responsibility of no one but the Lord of all the worlds.' (26:109)

(Hud said,) 'I do not ask you for any wage for it. My wage is the responsibility of no one but the Lord of all the worlds.' (26:127)

(Salih said,) 'I do not ask you for any wage for it. My wage is the responsibility of no one but the Lord of all the worlds.' (26:145)

(Lut said,) 'I do not ask you for any wage for it. My wage is the responsibility of no one but the Lord of all the worlds.' (26:164)

(Shu'ayb said,) 'I do not ask you for any wage for it. My wage is the responsibility of no one but the Lord of all the worlds.' (26:180)

Say: 'I have not asked you for any wage—it is all for you. My wage is the responsibility of Allah alone. He is witness of everything.' (34:47)

(A man from the far side of the city said,) 'Follow those who do not ask you for any wage and who

have received guidance.' (36:21)

Say: 'I do not ask you for any wage for it, nor am I a man of false pretensions.' (38:86)

That is the good news which Allah gives to His servants who believe and do right actions. Say: 'I do not ask you for any wage for this—except for you to love your near of kin. If anyone does a good action, We will increase the good of it for him. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Ever-Thankful.' (42:23)

Or do you ask them for a wage so they are weighed down with debt? (52:40)

Let them (the women you divorced) live where you live, according to your means. Do not put pressure on them, so as to harass them. If they are pregnant, maintain them until they give birth. If they are suckling for you, give them their wages and consult together with correctness and courtesy. But if you make things difficult for one another, another woman should do the suckling for you. (65:6)

Or do you ask them for a wage so they are weighed down with debt? (68:46)

## WAITING PERIOD (FOR WOMEN) (IDDAH)

Divorced women should wait by themselves for three menstrual cycles; and it is not lawful for them to conceal what Allah has created in their wombs if they believe in Allah and the Last Day. Their husbands have the right to take them back within that time, if they desire to be reconciled. Women possess rights similar to those held over them to be honoured with fairness; but men have a degree above them. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:228)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, then either retain them with correctness and courtesy or release them with correctness and courtesy. Do not retain them by force, thus overstepping the limits. Anyone who does that has wronged himself. Do not make a mockery of Allah's Signs. Remember Allah's blessing to you and the Book and Wisdom He has sent down to you to admonish you. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:231)

When you divorce women and they are near the

end of their waiting period, do not prevent them from marrying their first husbands if they have mutually agreed to it with correctness and courtesy. This is an admonition for those of you who believe in Allah and the Last Day. That is better and purer for you. Allah knows and you do not know. Mothers should nurse their children for two full years—those who wish to complete the full term of nursing. It is the duty of the fathers to feed and clothe them with correctness and courtesy—no self is charged with more than it can bear. No mother should be put under pressure in respect of her child nor any father in respect of his child. The same duty is incumbent on the heir. If the couple both wish weaning to take place after mutual agreement and consultation, there is nothing wrong in their doing that. If you wish to find wet-nurses for your children, there is nothing wrong in your doing that provided you hand over to them what you have agreed to give with correctness and courtesy. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah sees what you do. Those of you who die leaving wives behind: they should wait by themselves for four months and ten nights. When their waiting period comes to an end, you are not to blame for anything they do with themselves with correctness and courtesy. Allah is aware of what you do. (2:232-234)

Nor is there anything wrong in any allusion to marriage you make to a woman, nor for any you keep to yourself. Allah knows that you will say things to them. But do not make secret arrangements with them, rather only speak with correctness and courtesy. Do not finally decide on the marriage contract until the prescribed period has come to its end. Know that Allah knows what is in your selves, so beware of Him! And know that Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (2:235) Those of you who die leaving wives behind should make a bequest to their wives of maintenance for a year without them having to leave their homes. But if they do leave you are not to blame for anything they do with themselves with correctness and courtesy. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:240)

You who believe! When you marry believing women and then divorce them before you have

touched them, there is no waiting period for you to calculate for them, so give them a gift and let them go with kindness. (33:49)

O Prophet! When any of you divorce women, divorce them during their period of purity and calculate their waiting period carefully. And have fear of Allah, your Lord. Do not evict them from their homes, nor should they leave, unless they commit an outright indecency. Those are Allah's limits, and anyone who oversteps Allah's limits has wronged himself. You never know, it may well be that after that Allah will cause a new situation to develop. Then when they have reached the end of their waiting period either retain them with correctness and courtesy or part from them with correctness and courtesy. Call two upright men from among yourselves as witnesses and they should carry out the witnessing for Allah. This is admonishment for all who believe in Allah and the Last Day. Whoever has fear of Allah—He will give him a way out and provide for him from where he does not expect. Whoever puts his trust in Allah—He will be enough for him. Allah always achieves His aim. Allah has appointed a measure for all things. In the case of those of your wives who are past the age of menstruation, if you have any doubt, their waiting period should be three months, and that also applies to those who have not yet menstruated. The time for women who are pregnant is when they give birth. Whoever has fear of Allah—He will make matters easy for him. That is Allah's command which He has sent down to you. Whoever has fear of Allah—He will erase his bad actions from him and greatly increase his reward. Let them live where you live, according to your means. Do not put pressure on them, so as to harass them. If they are pregnant, maintain them until they give birth. If they are suckling for you, give them their wages and consult together with correctness and courtesy. But if you make things difficult for one another, another woman should do the suckling for you. He who has plenty should spend out from his plenty, but he whose provision is restricted should spend from what Allah has given him. Allah does not demand from any self more than He has given it. Allah

will appoint after difficulty, ease. (65:1-7)

### **WALK LIGHTLY**

The servants of the All-Merciful are those who walk lightly on the earth and, who, when the ignorant speak to them, say, 'Peace'; (25:63)

### **WALL**

There will be a dividing wall between them and on the ramparts there will be men who recognise everyone by their mark. They will call out to the people of the Garden: 'Peace be upon you!' They will not enter it for all their ardent desire to do so. (7:46)

Accordingly We made them chance upon them unexpectedly so they might know that Allah's promise is true and that there is no doubt about the Hour. When they were arguing among themselves about the matter, they said, 'Wall up their cave, their Lord knows best about them.' But those who got the better of the argument concerning them said, 'We will build a place of worship over them.' (18:21)

Say: 'It is the truth from your Lord; so let whoever wishes believe and whoever wishes disbelieve.' We have prepared for the wrongdoers a Fire whose billowing walls of smoke will hem them in. If they call for help, they will be helped with water like seething molten brass, frying their faces. What a noxious drink! What an evil response! (18:29)

So they went on until they reached the inhabitants of a town. They asked them for food but they refused them hospitality. They found there a wall about to fall down and he built it up. Musa said, 'If you had wanted, you could have taken a wage for doing that.' (18:77)

(He said to Musa,) 'As for the wall, it belonged to two young orphans in the town and there was a treasure underneath it, belonging to them. Their father was one of the righteous and your Lord wanted them to come of age and then to unearth their treasure as a mercy from Him. I did not do it of my own volition. That is the explanation of the things about which you were not able to restrain yourself.' (18:82)

How many wrongdoing cities We destroyed, and

now all their roofs and walls are fallen in; how many abandoned wells and stuccoed palaces! (22:45)

That Day the men and women of the hypocrites will say to those who believe, 'Wait for us so that we can borrow some of your light.' They will be told, 'Go back and look for light!' And a wall will be erected between them with a gate in it, on the inside of which there will be mercy but before whose exterior lies the punishment. (57:13)

They (the hypocrites) will not fight against you all together as a group except in fortified towns or behind high walls. Their hostility towards each other is intense. They are full of bravado in each other's company. You consider them united but their hearts are scattered wide. That is because they are people who do not use their intellect. (59:14)

Allah loves those who fight in His Way in ranks like well-built walls. (61:4)

### **WAR**

If you do not, know that it means war from Allah and His Messenger. But if you repent you may have your capital, without wronging and without being wronged. (2:279)

The reprisal against those who wage war on Allah and His Messenger, and go about the earth corrupting it, is that they should be killed or crucified, or have their alternate hands and feet cut off, or be banished from the land. That will be their degradation in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (5:33) The Jews say, 'Allah's hand is chained.' Their hands are chained and they are cursed for what they say! No! Both His hands are open wide and He gives however He wills. What has been sent down to you from your Lord increases many of them in insolence and disbelief. We have incited enmity and hatred between them until the Day of Rising. Each time they kindle the fire of war, Allah extinguishes it. They rush about the earth corrupting it. Allah does not love corrupters. (5:64)

So if you come upon such people in war, make a harsh example of them to deter those coming after them so that hopefully they will pay heed. (8:57)

As for those who have set up a mosque, causing

harm and out of disbelief, to create division between the believers, and in readiness for those who previously made war on Allah and His Messenger, they will swear, 'We only desired the best.' But Allah bears witness that they are truly liars. (9:107)

Therefore when you meet those who disbelieve strike their necks. Then when you have decimated them, tie their bonds tightly and set them free or ransom them, until the war is finally over. That is how it is to be. If Allah willed, He could avenge Himself on them. But it is so that He can test some of you by means of others. As for those who fight in the Way of Allah, He will not let their actions go astray. (47:4)

## **WAR OF BADR (SEE BADR)**

### **WARNING - WARNER**

We made it an exemplary punishment for those there then, and those coming afterwards, and a warning to those who guard against evil. (2:66)

We have sent you with the Truth, bringing good news and giving warning. Do not ask about the inhabitants of the Blazing Fire. (2:119)

Mankind was a single community. Then Allah sent out Prophets bringing good news and giving warning, and with them He sent down the Book with truth to decide between people regarding their differences. Only those who were given it differed about it, after the Clear Signs had come to them, envying one another. Then, by His permission, Allah guided those who believed to the truth of that about which they had differed. Allah guides whoever He wills to a straight path. (2:213)

Those who practise usury will not rise from the grave except as someone driven mad by Satan's touch. That is because they say, 'Trade is the same as usury.' But Allah has permitted trade and He has forbidden usury. Whoever is given a warning by his Lord and then desists, can keep what he received in the past and his affair is Allah's concern. But all who return to it will be the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:275)

Allah knows what is in such people's hearts so

turn away from them and warn them and speak to them with words that take effect. (4:63) Messengers bringing good news and giving warning, so that people will have no argument against Allah after the coming of the Messengers. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (4:165)

People of the Book! Our Messenger has come to you, making things clear to you, after a period with no Messengers, lest you should say, 'No one came to us bringing good news or warning.' Someone has come to you bringing good news and a warning. Allah has power over all things. (5:19)

It is a Book sent down to you--so let there be no constriction in your breast because of it--so that you can give warning by it and as a reminder to the believers. (7:2)

Have they not reflected? Their companion is not mad. He is only a clear warner. (7:184)

Say: 'I possess no power to help or harm myself, except as Allah wills. If I had had knowledge of the Unseen, I would have sought to gain much good and no evil would have touched me. I am only a warner and a bringer of good news to people who believe.' (7:188)

Perhaps you are leaving aside part of what has been revealed to you and your breast is constricted by this because they say, 'Why has treasure not been sent down to him or an angel not accompanied him?' You are only a warner and Allah is Guardian over all things. (11:12)

Those who disbelieve say, 'If only a Sign could be sent down to him from his Lord!' You are only a warner. Every people has a guide. (13:7)

This is a communication to be transmitted to mankind so that they may be warned by it and so that they will know that He is One God and so that people of intelligence will pay heed. (14:52)

Say: 'I am indeed a clear warner.' (15:89)

Allah commands justice and doing good and giving to relatives. And He forbids indecency and doing wrong and tyranny. He warns you so that hopefully you will pay heed. (16:90)

We only send the Messengers to bring good news and to give warning. Those who disbelieve use fallacious arguments to deny the truth. They make a mockery of My Signs and also of the

warning they were given. (18:56)

Say: 'Mankind, I am only a clear warner to you.' (22:49)

Allah warns you never to repeat the like of it again if you are believers. (24:17)

Blessed be He Who has sent down the Furqan (Discrimination) to His servant so that he can be a warner to all beings; (25:1)

They say, 'What is the matter with this Messenger, that he eats food and walks in the market-place? Why has an angel not been sent down to him so that it can be a warner along with him?' (25:7)

If We had wished We could have sent a warner to every town. (25:51)

(Nuh said,) 'I am only a clear warner.' (26:115)

The Faithful Spirit brought it down to your heart so you would be one of the Warners. (26:193-194)

We have never destroyed a city without giving it prior warning. (26:208)

(Say:) 'And (I have been ordered) to recite the Qur'an.' Whoever is guided is only guided to his own good; if someone is misguided just say, 'I am only a warner.' (27:92)

Nor were you on the side of the Mount when We called, yet it is a mercy from your Lord so that you can warn a people to whom no warner came before, so that hopefully they will pay heed. (28:46)

They say, 'Why have no Signs been sent down to him from his Lord?' Say: 'The Signs are with Allah. I am only a clear warner.' (29:50)

Or do they say, 'He has invented it'? No indeed! It is the truth from your Lord to warn a people to whom, before you, no warner came, so that hopefully they will be guided. (32:3)

O Prophet! We have sent you as a witness, and a bringer of good news and a warner, (33:45)

We only sent you for the whole of mankind, bringing good news and giving warning. But most of mankind do not know it. (34:28)

We never sent a warner into any city without the affluent people in it saying, 'We reject what you have been sent with.' (34:34)

We have not given them any books which they are studying nor did We send, before you, any

warner to them. (34:44)

Say: 'I exhort you to do one thing alone: to stand before Allah in pairs and on your own and then reflect. Your companion is not possessed. He is only a warner come to you ahead of a terrible punishment.' (34:46)

You are only a warner. (35:23)

We have sent you with the truth bringing good news and giving warning. There is no community to which a warner has not come. (35:24)

They will shout out in it, 'Our Lord! Take us out! We will act rightly, differently from the way we used to act!' Did We not let you live long enough for anyone who was going to pay heed to pay heed? And did not the warner come to you? Taste it then! There is no helper for the wrongdoers. (35:37)

They swore by Allah with their most earnest oaths that if a warner came to them they would be better guided than any other community. But then when a warner did come to them, it only increased their aversion, (35:42)

Most of the earlier peoples went astray before them though We sent warners to them. (37:71-72)

They are surprised that a warner should come to them from among themselves. The disbelievers say, 'This is a lying magician.' (38:4)

Say: 'I am only a warner. There is no god except Allah, the One, the All-Conquering,' (38:65)

(Say:) 'It is only revealed to me that I am a clear warner.' (38:70)

A Book whose verses have been demarcated for people who know as an Arabic Qur'an, bringing good news and giving warning; but most of them have turned away and do not hear. (41:3-4)

Say: 'I am nothing new among the Messengers. I have no idea what will be done with me or you. I only follow what has been revealed to me. I am only a clear warner.' (46:9)

Remember the brother of 'Ad when he warned his people by the sand-dunes—and warners passed away before and after him—'Worship no one but Allah. I fear for you the punishment of a terrible Day.' (46:21)

We have sent you bearing witness, bringing good news and giving warning. (48:8)

Nonetheless they are amazed that a warner should have come to them from among themselves and those who disbelieve say, 'What an extraordinary thing! (50:2)

This is a warning like the warnings of old. (53:56)

It all but bursts with rage. Each time a group is flung into it its custodians will question them: 'Did no warner come to you?' (67:8)

They will say, 'Yes indeed, a warner did come to us but we denied him and said, "Allah has sent nothing down. You are just greatly misguided." (67:9)

Say: 'The knowledge is with Allah alone and I am only a clear warner.' (67:26)

He (Nuh) said, 'My people, I am a clear warner to you.' (71:2)

You are only the warner of those who fear it. (79:45)

covered by waves above which are waves above which are clouds, layers of darkness, one upon the other. If he puts out his hand, he can scarcely see it. Those Allah gives no light to, they have no light. (24:40)

When the waves hang over them like canopies, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His. But then when He delivers them safely to the land, some of them are ambivalent. None but a treacherous, thankless man denies Our Signs. (31:32)

The two seas are not the same: the one is sweet, refreshing, delicious to drink, the other salty, bitter to the taste. Yet from both of them you eat fresh flesh and extract ornaments for yourselves to wear; and you see ships on them, cleaving through the waves so that you can seek His bounty and so that hopefully you will be thankful. (35:12)

## **WASWAS (SEE WHISPERING OF SATAN)**

### **WAVE**

It is He Who conveys you on both land and sea so that when some of you are on a boat, running before a fair wind, rejoicing at it, and then a violent squall comes upon them and the waves come at them from every side and they realise there is no way of escape, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His: 'If You rescue us from this, we will truly be among the thankful.' (10:22)

It sailed with them through mountainous waves, and Nuh called out to his son, who had kept himself apart, 'My son! Come on board with us. Do not stay with the disbelievers!' (11:42)

He (Nuh's son) said, 'I will take refuge on a mountain; It will protect me from the flood.' He said, 'There is no protection from Allah's command today except for those He has mercy on.' The waves surged in between them and he was among the drowned. (11:43)

We will abandon them, that Day, to pound against each other in surging waves and the Trumpet will be blown and We will gather them all together. (18:99)

Or they (the actions of those who disbelieve) are like the darkness of a fathomless sea which is

### **WEAKNESS**

You who believe! When you take on a debt for a specified period, write it down. A writer should write it down between you justly. No writer should refuse to write; as Allah has taught him, so he should write. The one incurring the debt should dictate and should have fear of Allah his Lord and not reduce it in any way. If the person incurring the debt is incompetent or weak or unable to dictate, then his guardian should dictate for him justly. Two men among you should act as witnesses. But if there are not two men, then a man and two women with whom you are satisfied as witnesses; then if one of them forgets, the other can remind her. Witnesses should not refuse when they are called upon. Do not think it too trivial to write down, whether small or large, with the date that it falls due. Doing that is more just in Allah's sight and more helpful when bearing witness and more likely to eliminate any doubt—unless it is an immediate transaction hand to hand, taken and given without delay. There is nothing wrong in your not writing that down. Call witnesses when you trade. Neither writer nor witness should be put under pressure. If you do that, it is deviancy on your part. Have fear of Allah and Allah will give you knowledge. Allah

has knowledge of all things. (2:282)

Allah helped you at Badr when you were weak so have fear of Allah, so that hopefully you will be thankful. (3:123)

Now Allah has made it lighter on you, knowing there is weakness in you. If there are a hundred of you who are steadfast, they will overcome two hundred; and if there are a thousand of you, they will overcome two thousand with Allah's permission. Allah is with the steadfast. (8:66)

It is Allah Who created you from a weak beginning then after weakness gave you strength then after strength ordained weakness and grey hair. He creates whatever He wills. He is All-Knowing, All-Powerful. (30:54)

Those who disbelieve say, 'We will never believe in this Qur'an, nor in what came before it.' If only you could see when the wrongdoers, standing in the presence of their Lord, cast accusations back and forth at one another! Those deemed weak will say to those deemed great, 'Were it not for you, we would have been believers!' (34:31)

Those deemed great will say to those deemed weak, 'Did we debar you from the guidance when it came to you? No, it is you who were evildoers.' (34:32)

Those deemed weak will say to those deemed great, 'No, it was your scheming night and day when you commanded us to reject Allah and assign equals to Him.' But they will show their remorse when they see the punishment. We will put iron collars round the necks of those who disbelieve. Will they be repaid for anything but what they did? (34:33)

## **WEALTH – WEALTHY**

We will test you with a certain amount of fear and hunger and loss of wealth and life and fruits. But give good news to the steadfast. (2:155)

It is not devoutness to turn your faces to the East or to the West. Rather, those with true devoutness are those who believe in Allah and the Last Day, the Angels, the Book and the Prophets, and who, despite their love for it, give away their wealth to their relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to travellers and beggars and to set slaves free, and who perform prayer and give the alms;

those who honour their contracts when they make them, and are steadfast in poverty and illness and in battle. Those are the people who are true. They are the people who guard against evil. (2:177)

There is nothing wrong in your divorcing women before you have touched them or allotted a dowry to them. But give them a gift—he who is wealthy according to his means and he who is less well off according to his means—a gift to be given with correctness and courtesy: a duty for all good-doers. (2:236)

Their Prophet said to them, 'Allah has appointed Talut to be your king.' They said, 'How can he have kingship over us when we have much more right to kingship than he does? He has not even got much wealth!' He said, 'Allah has chosen him over you and favoured him greatly in knowledge and physical strength. Allah gives kingship to anyone He wills. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing.' (2:247)

The metaphor of those who spend their wealth in the Way of Allah is that of a grain which produces seven ears; in every ear there are a hundred grains. Allah gives such multiplied increase to whoever He wills. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing. (2:261)

Those who spend their wealth in the Way of Allah, and then do not follow what they have spent by demands for gratitude or insulting words will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:262)

You who believe! Do not nullify your charity by demands for gratitude or insulting words, like him who spends his wealth, showing off to people and not believing in Allah and the Last Day. His likeness is that of a smooth rock coated with soil, which, when heavy rain falls on it, is left stripped bare. They have no power over anything they have earned. Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (2:264)

The metaphor of those who spend their wealth, desiring the pleasure of Allah and firmness for themselves, is that of a garden on a hillside. When heavy rain falls on it, it doubles its produce; and if heavy rain does not fall, there is

dew. Allah sees what you do. (2:265)  
Those who give away their wealth by night and day, secretly and openly, will have their reward with their Lord. They will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. (2:274)

As for those who disbelieve, their wealth and children will not help them against Allah in any way. They are fuel for the Fire. (3:10)

As for those who disbelieve, their wealth and children will not help them against Allah in any way. They are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (3:116)

You will be tested in your wealth and in yourselves and you will hear many abusive words from those given the Book before you and from those who are idolaters. But if you are steadfast and guard against evil, that is the most resolute course to take. (3:186)

Keep a close check on orphans until they reach a marriageable age, then if you perceive that they have sound judgement hand over their property to them. Do not consume it extravagantly and precipitately before they come of age. Those who are wealthy should abstain from it altogether. Those who are poor should use it sensibly and correctly. When you hand over their property to them ensure that there are witnesses on their behalf. Allah suffices as a Reckoner. (4:6)  
And also married women, except for those you have taken in war as slaves. This is what Allah has prescribed for you. Apart from that He has made all other women lawful for you provided you seek them with your wealth in marriage and not in fornication. When you consummate your marriage with them give them their prescribed dowry. There is nothing wrong in any further agreement you might come to after the dowry has been given. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:24)

Men have charge of women because Allah has preferred the one above the other and because they spend their wealth on them. Right-acting women are obedient (to Allah), guarding the unseen as Allah has guarded. If there are women whose disobedience you fear, you may admonish them, refuse to sleep with them, and then beat them. But if they obey you, do not look for a

way to punish them. Allah is All-High, Most Great. (4:34)

As for those who are tight-fisted and direct others to be tight-fisted, and hide the bounty Allah has given them, We have prepared a humiliating punishment for those who disbelieve, and also for those who spend their wealth to show off to people, not believing in Allah and the Last Day. Anyone who has made Satan his comrade, what an evil comrade he is! (4:37-38)

Those believers who stay behind—other than those forced to by necessity—are not the same as those who strive in the Way of Allah, sacrificing their wealth and themselves. Allah has given those who strive with their wealth and themselves a higher rank than those who stay behind. Allah has promised the Best to both, but Allah has preferred those who strive over those who stay behind by an immense reward. (4:95)

And because of their practising usury when they were forbidden to do it, and because of their consuming people's wealth by wrongful means, We have prepared for the disbelievers among them a painful punishment. (4:161)

Know that your wealth and children are a trial and that there is an immense reward with Allah. (8:28)

Those who disbelieve spend their wealth barring access to the Way of Allah. They will spend it; then they will regret it; then they will be overthrown. Those who disbelieve will be gathered into Hell. (8:36)

Those who believe and have migrated and strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah, and those who have given refuge and help, they are the friends and protectors of one another. But as for those who believe but have not migrated, you are not in any way responsible for their protection until they migrate. But if they ask you for help in respect of the religion, it is your duty to help them, except against people you have a treaty with. Allah sees what you do. (8:72)

Those who believe and migrate and strive in the Way of Allah with their wealth and themselves have a higher rank with Allah. They are the ones who are victorious. (9:20)

Say: 'If your fathers or your sons or your brothers or your wives or your tribe, or any wealth you have acquired, or any business you fear may slump, or any house which pleases you, are dearer to you than Allah and His Messenger and striving in His Way, then wait until Allah brings about His command. Allah does not guide people who are deviators.' (9:24)

Go out to fight, light-armed and heavy-armed, and strive with your wealth and yourselves in the Way of Allah. That is better for you if you only knew. (9:41)

Those who believe in Allah and the Last Day do not ask you to excuse them from striving with their wealth and themselves. Allah knows the people who guard against evil. (9:44)

Do not let their wealth and children impress you. Allah merely wants to punish them by them during their life in this world and for them to expire while they are disbelievers. (9:55)

Like those before you who had greater strength than you and more wealth and children. They enjoyed their portion; so enjoy your portion as those before you enjoyed theirs. You have plunged into defamation as they plunged into it. The actions of such people come to nothing in this world or the hereafter. They are the lost. (9:69)

Those who were left behind were glad to stay behind the Messenger of Allah. They did not want to strive with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah. They said, 'Do not go out to fight in the heat.' Say: 'The Fire of Hell is much hotter, if they only understood.' (9:81)

Do not let their wealth and their children impress you. Allah merely wants to punish them by them in this world, and for them to expire while they are disbelievers. (9:85)

But the Messenger and those who believe along with him have strived with their wealth and with themselves. They are the people who will have the good things. They are the ones who are successful. (9:88)

Take charity from their wealth to purify and cleanse them and pray for them. Your prayers bring relief to them. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (9:103)

Allah has bought from the believers their selves and their wealth in return for the Garden. They fight in the Way of Allah and they kill and are killed. It is a promise binding on Him in the Torah, the Gospel and the Qur'an and who is truer to his contract than Allah? Rejoice then in the bargain you have made. That is the great victory. (9:111)

Musa said, 'Our Lord, You have given Pharaoh and his ruling circle finery and wealth in the life of this world, Our Lord, so that they may be misguided from Your Way. Our Lord, obliterate their wealth and harden their hearts so that they do not believe until they see the painful punishment.' (10:88)

(Nuh said,) 'My people! I do not ask you for any wealth for it. My wage is the responsibility of Allah alone. I will not chase away those who believe. They are surely going to meet their Lord. However, I see you as ignorant people.' (11:29)

They said, 'Shu'ayb, do your prayers instruct you that we should abandon what our fathers worshipped or stop doing whatever we want to with our wealth? You are clearly the forbearing, the rightly-guided!' (11:87)

Then once again We gave you the upper hand over them and supplied you with more wealth and children and made you the most numerous group. (17:6)

(Allah said to Satan,) 'Stir up any of them you can with your voice and rally against them your cavalry and your infantry and share with them in their children and their wealth and make them promises!' The promise of Satan is nothing but delusion. (17:64)

He was a man of wealth and property and he said to his companion, debating with him, 'I have more wealth than you and more people under me.' (18:34)

(His companion said to the garden owner,) 'Why, when you entered your garden, did you not say, "It is as Allah wills, there is no strength but in Allah"? Though you see me with less wealth and children than you possess, it may well be that my Lord will give me something better than your garden and send down on it a fireball from the sky so that morning finds it a shifting heap of dust.' (18:39-40)

Wealth and sons are the embellishment of the life of this world. But, in your Lord's sight, right actions which are lasting bring a better reward and are a better basis for hope. (18:46)

Have you seen him who rejects Our Signs and says, 'I will certainly be given wealth and children there'? (19:77)

Do they imagine that, in the wealth and children We extend to them, We are hastening to them with good things? No indeed, but they have no awareness! (23:55-56)

Those of you possessing affluence and ample wealth should not make oaths that they will not give to their relatives and the very poor and those who have migrated in the way of Allah. They should rather pardon and overlook. Would you not love Allah to forgive you? Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:22)

Those who cannot find the means to marry should be abstinent until Allah enriches them from His bounty. If any slaves you own want to make a contract to free themselves, write it for them if you know of good in them and give them some of the wealth Allah has given you. Do not force your slavegirls to prostitute themselves if they desire to be virtuous women out of your desire for the goods of this world. If anyone forces them, then after they have been forced, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:33)

The Day when neither wealth nor sons will be of any use. (26:88)

When it reached Sulayman he said, 'Would you give me wealth when what Allah has given me is better than what He has given you? No, rather it is you who delight in your gift.' (27:36)

What you give with usurious intent, aiming to get back a greater amount from people's wealth, does not become greater with Allah. But anything you give as alms, seeking the Face of Allah—all who do that will get back twice as much. (30:39)

He bequeathed their land, their houses and their wealth to you, and another land you had not yet trodden on. Allah has power over all things. (33:27)

They also said, 'We have more wealth and children. We are not going to be punished.' (34:35)

It is not your wealth or your children that will bring you near to Us—only in the case of people who believe and act rightly; such people will have a double recompense for what they did. They will be safe from all harm in the High Halls of Paradise. (34:37)

The life of this world is merely a game and a diversion. If you believe and guard against evil, He will pay you your wages and not ask you for all your wealth. (47:36)

Those Arabs who remained behind will say to you, 'Our wealth and families kept us occupied, so ask forgiveness for us.' They say with their tongues what is not in their hearts. Say: 'Who can control Allah for you in any way whether He wants harm for you or wants benefit for you?' Allah is aware of what you do. (48:11)

The believers are only those who have believed in Allah and His Messenger and then have had no doubt and have strived with their wealth and themselves in the Way of Allah. They are the ones who are true to their word. (49:15)

And beggars and the destitute received a due share of their wealth. (51:19)

Know that the life of this world is merely a game and a diversion and ostentation and a cause of boasting among yourselves and trying to outdo one another in wealth and children: like the plant-growth after rain which delights the cultivators, but then it withers and you see it turning yellow, and then it becomes broken stubble. In the hereafter there is terrible punishment but also forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure. The life of this world is nothing but the enjoyment of delusion. (57:20)

Neither their wealth nor their children will help them at all against Allah. Such people are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (58:17)

It is for the poor of the emigrants who were driven from their homes and wealth desiring the favour and the pleasure of Allah and supporting Allah and His Messenger. Such people are the truly sincere. (59:8)

It is to believe in Allah and His Messenger and strive in the Way of Allah with your wealth and your selves. That is better for you if you only

knew. (61:11)

You who believe! Do not let your wealth or children divert you from the remembrance of Allah. Whoever does that is lost. (63:9)

Your wealth and children are a trial. But with Allah there is an immense reward. (64:15)

But do not obey any vile swearer of oaths, any backbiter, slandermonger, impeder of good, evil aggressor, gross, coarse and furthermore, despicable, simply because he possesses wealth and sons. (68:10-14)

(He who is given his Book in his left hand will say,) 'My wealth has been of no use to me.' (69:28)

(Believers are) those in whose wealth there is a known share for beggars and the destitute. (70:24-25)

He will send heaven down on you in abundant rain and reinforce you with more wealth and sons, and grant you gardens and grant you waterways. (71:11-12)

Nuh said, 'My Lord, they have disobeyed me and followed those whose wealth and children have only increased them in loss.' (71:21)

Leave the person I created on his own to Me alone, him to whom I have given great wealth, (74:11-12)

And you have an insatiable love of wealth. (89:20)

He says, 'I have consumed vast quantities of wealth.' (90:6)

His wealth will not help him when he plummets to the depths. (92:11)

The most heedful will be far removed from it: those who give their wealth to purify themselves—not to repay someone else for a favour done—desiring only the Face of their Lord Most High. (92:17-20)

Truly he is fierce in his love of wealth. (100:8)

Woe to every faultfinding backbiter who has amassed wealth and hoarded it! (104:1-2)

He thinks his wealth will make him live for ever. (104:3)

His wealth has not helped him nor anything he has earned. (111:2)

## WEANING

Mothers should nurse their children for two full years—those who wish to complete the full term

of nursing. It is the duty of the fathers to feed and clothe them with correctness and courtesy—no self is charged with more than it can bear. No mother should be put under pressure in respect of her child nor any father in respect of his child. The same duty is incumbent on the heir. If the couple both wish weaning to take place after mutual agreement and consultation, there is nothing wrong in their doing that. If you wish to find wet-nurses for your children, there is nothing wrong in your doing that provided you hand over to them what you have agreed to give with correctness and courtesy. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah sees what you do. (2:233)

We have instructed man concerning his parents. Bearing him caused his mother great debility and the period of his weaning was two years: 'Give thanks to Me and to your parents. I am your final destination.' (31:14)

We have instructed man to be good to his parents. His mother bore him with difficulty and with difficulty gave birth to him; and his bearing and weaning take thirty months. Then when he achieves his full strength and reaches forty, he says, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing You bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You. And make my descendants righteous. I have repented to You and I am truly one of the Muslims.' (46:15)

## WEARINESS

It was not for people of Madina, and the desert arabs around them, to remain behind the Messenger of Allah nor to prefer themselves to him. That is because no thirst or weariness or hunger will afflict them in the Way of Allah, nor will they take a single step to infuriate the disbelievers, nor secure any gain from the enemy, without a right action being written down for them because of it. Allah does not let the wage of the good-doers go to waste. (9:120)

They will say, 'Praise be to Allah Who has removed all sadness from us. Truly our Lord is Ever-Forgiving, Ever-Thankful: He Who has lodged us, out of His favour, in the Abode of Permanence where no weariness or fatigue affects us.' (35:34-35)

## **WEEP**

Let them (those who were left behind) laugh little and weep much, in repayment for what they have earned. (9:82)

Weeping, they fall to the ground in prostration, and it increases them in humility. (17:109)

Those are some of the Prophets Allah has blessed, from the descendants of Adam and from those We carried with Nuh, and from the descendants of Ibrahim and Isra'il and from those We guided and chose. When the Signs of the All-Merciful were recited to them they fell on their faces, weeping, in prostration. (19:58)

## **WEIGHT**

And (He instructs) that you do not go near the property of orphans before they reach maturity—except in a good way; that you give full measure and full weight with justice—We impose on no self any more than it can bear; that you are equitable when you speak—even if a near relative is concerned; and that you fulfil Allah's contract. That is what He instructs you to do, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (6:152)

The weighing that Day will be the truth. As for those whose scales are heavy, they are the successful. As for those whose scales are light, they are the ones who have lost their own selves because they wrongfully rejected Our Signs. (7:8-9) And to Madyan We sent their brother Shu'ayb who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. A Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord. Give full measure and full weight. Do not diminish people's goods. Do not cause corruption in the land after it has been put right. That is better for you if you are believers.' (7:85)

And (We have sent) to Madyan their brother Shu'ayb. He said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no god apart from Him. Do not give short measure and short weight. I see you prospering and I fear for you the punishment of an all-encompassing Day. My people! Give full measure and full weight with justice; do not diminish people's goods; and do not go about the earth, corrupting it.' (11:84-85)

Give full measure when you measure and weigh

with a level balance. That is better and gives the best result. (17:35)

Those are the people who reject their Lord's Signs and the meeting with Him. Their actions will come to nothing and, on the Day of Rising, We will not assign them any weight. (18:105)

Those whose scales are heavy, they are the successful. Those whose scales are light, they are the losers of their selves, remaining in Hell timelessly, for ever. (23:102-103)

Weigh with a level balance. (26:182)

Give just weight—do not skimp in the balance. (55:9)

As for him whose balance is heavy, he will have a most pleasant life. But as for him whose balance is light, his motherland is Hawiya. (101:6-9)

## **WELL**

One of them said, 'Do not take Yusuf's life but throw him to the bottom of the well, so that some travellers may discover him, if this is something that you have to do.' (12:10)

But when, in fact, they did go out with him and gathered all together and agreed to put him at the bottom of the well, We then revealed to him that: 'You will inform them of this deed they perpetrate at a time when they are totally unaware.' (12:15)

How many wrongdoing cities We destroyed, and now all their roofs and walls are fallen in; how many abandoned wells and stuccoed palaces! (22:45)

## **WET-NURSING**

We first made him (Musa) refuse all wet-nurses, so she (his sister) said, 'Shall I show you to a household who will feed him for you and be good to him?' (28:12)

Forbidden for you are: your mothers and your daughters and your sisters, your maternal aunts and your paternal aunts, your brothers' daughters and your sisters' daughters, your foster mothers who have suckled you, your foster sisters by suckling, your wives' mothers, your stepdaughters who are under your protection: the daughters of your wives whom you have had sexual relations with (though if you have not had sexual

relations with them there is nothing blameworthy for you in it then), the wives of your sons whom you have fathered, and marrying two sisters at the same time—except for what may have already taken place. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:23)

Mothers should nurse their children for two full years—those who wish to complete the full term of nursing. It is the duty of the fathers to feed and clothe them with correctness and courtesy—no self is charged with more than it can bear. No mother should be put under pressure in respect of her child nor any father in respect of his child. The same duty is incumbent on the heir. If the couple both wish weaning to take place after mutual agreement and consultation, there is nothing wrong in their doing that. If you wish to find wet-nurses for your children, there is nothing wrong in your doing that provided you hand over to them what you have agreed to give with correctness and courtesy. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah sees what you do. (2:233)

### **WHIMS AND DESIRES**

The Jews and the Christians will never be pleased with you until you follow their religion. Say, ‘Allah’s guidance is the true guidance.’ If you were to follow their whims and desires, after the knowledge that has come to you, you would find no protector or helper against Allah. (2:120) If you were to bring every Sign to those given the Book, they still would not follow your direction. You do not follow their direction. They do not follow each other’s direction. If you followed their whims and desires, after the knowledge that has come to you, you would then be one of the wrongdoers. (2:145)

You who believe! Be upholders of justice, bearing witness for Allah alone, even against yourselves or your parents and relatives. Whether they are rich or poor, Allah is well able to look after them. Do not follow your own desires and deviate from the truth. If you twist or turn away, Allah is aware of what you do. (4:135)

And We have sent down the Book to you with truth, confirming and conserving the previous Books. So judge between them by what Allah has

sent down and do not follow their whims and desires deviating from the Truth that has come to you. We have appointed a law and a practice for every one of you. Had Allah willed, He would have made you a single community, but He wanted to test you regarding what has come to you. So compete with each other in doing good. Every one of you will return to Allah and He will inform you regarding the things about which you differed. (5:48)

Judge between them by what Allah has sent down and do not follow their whims and desires. And beware of them lest they lure you away from some of what Allah has sent down to you. If they turn their backs, then know that Allah wants to afflict them with some of their wrong actions. Many of mankind are deviators. (5:49)

Say: ‘People of the Book! Do not go to extremes in your religion, asserting other than the truth, and do not follow the whims and desires of people who were misguided previously and have misguided many others, and are far from the right way.’ (5:77)

Say: ‘I am forbidden to worship those you call upon besides Allah.’ Say: ‘I do not follow your whims and desires. If I did I would go astray and not be among the guided.’ (6:56)

What is the matter with you that you do not eat that over which the name of Allah has been mentioned, when He has made clear to you what He has made forbidden for you except when you are forced to eat it? Many people lead others astray through their whims and desires without having any knowledge. Your Lord knows best those who overstep the limits. (6:119)

Say: ‘Produce your witnesses to testify that Allah made this forbidden.’ If they do testify, do not testify with them and do not follow the whims and desires of people who deny Our Signs, and who do not believe in the hereafter and make others equal to their Lord. (6:150)

If We had wanted to, We would have raised him up by them. But he gravitated towards the earth and pursued his whims and base desires. His metaphor is that of a dog: if you chase it away, it lolls out its tongue and pants, and if you leave it alone, it lolls out its tongue and pants. That is the

metaphor of those who deny Our Signs. So tell the story so that hopefully they will reflect. (7:176)

Accordingly We have sent it down as a judgement in Arabic. If you followed their whims and desires after the knowledge that has come to you, you would have no protector or defender against Allah. (13:37)

Restrain yourself patiently with those who call on their Lord morning and evening, desiring His face. Do not turn your eyes from them, desiring the attractions of this world. And do not obey someone whose heart We have made neglectful of Our remembrance and who follows his own whims and desires and whose life has transgressed all bounds. (18:28)

Do not let those who have no faith in it and follow their whims and desires debar you from it or you will be destroyed. (20:16)

If the truth were to follow their whims and desires, the heavens and the earth and everyone in them would have been brought to ruin. No indeed! We have given them their Reminder, but they have turned away from it. (23:71)

Have you seen him who has taken his whims and desires to be his god? Will you then be his guardian? (25:43)

If they do not respond to you then know that they are merely following their whims and desires. And who could be further astray than someone who follows his whims and desires without any guidance from Allah? Allah does not guide the people of the wrongdoers. (28:50)

However, those who do wrong pursue their whims and desires without any knowledge. Who can guide those whom Allah has led astray? They will have no helpers. (30:29)

(We said), ‘Dawud! We have made you a successor on the earth, so judge between people with truth and do not follow your own desires, letting them misguide you from the Way of Allah. Those who are misguided from the Way of Allah will receive a harsh punishment because they forgot the Day of Reckoning.’ (38:26)

So call and go straight as you have been ordered to. Do not follow their whims and desires but say, ‘I believe in a Book sent down by Allah and I

am ordered to be just between you. Allah is our Lord and your Lord. We have our actions and you have your actions. There is no debate between us and you. Allah will gather us all together. He is our final destination.’ (42:15)

Then We placed you on the right road of Our Command so follow it. Do not follow the whims and desires of those who do not know. (45:18)

Have you seen him who takes his whims and desires to be his god—whom Allah has misguided knowingly, sealing up his hearing and his heart and placing a blindfold over his eyes? Who then will guide him after Allah? So will you not pay heed? (45:23)

Is someone on a clear path from his Lord like those whose bad actions have been made to seem good to them and who follow their own desires? (47:14)

Among them are those who listen to you and then, when they leave your presence, say to those who have been given knowledge, ‘What was that he just said?’ They are those whose hearts Allah has sealed up and who follow their own desires. (47:16)

Your companion is not misguided or misled; nor does he speak from whim. (53:2-3)

They (the idols) are nothing but names which you yourselves have given, you and your forefathers. Allah has sent down no authority for them. They are following nothing but conjecture and what their own selves desire. And that when guidance has reached them from their Lord! (53:23)

They have denied the truth and followed their whims and desires, but everything has its time. (54:3)

## WHIP

And they will be beaten with whips made of iron. (22:21)

So your Lord unleashed on them a scourging punishment. (89:13)

## WHISPERING OF SATAN

(Satan said,) ‘I will lead them astray and fill them with false hopes. I will command them and they will cut off cattle’s ears. I will command them

and they will change Allah's creation.' Anyone who takes Satan as his protector in place of Allah has clearly lost everything.' (4:119)

He (Satan) makes promises to them and fills them with false hopes. But what Satan promises them is nothing but delusion. (4:120)

Then Satan whispered to them, disclosing to them their private parts that had been concealed from them. He said, 'Your Lord has only forbidden you this tree lest you become angels or among those who live for ever.' (7:20)

As for those who guard against evil, when they are bothered by visitors from Satan, they remember and immediately see clearly. (7:201)

But Satan whispered to him, saying, 'Adam, shall I show you the way to the Tree of Everlasting Life and to a kingdom which will never fade away?' (20:120)

We created man and We know what his own self whispers to him. We are nearer to him than his jugular vein. (50:16)

Say: 'I seek refuge with the Lord of mankind, the King of mankind, the God of mankind, from the evil of the insidious whisperer who whispers in people's breasts.' (114:1-5)

## **WHISTLE**

Their (disbelievers') prayer at the House is nothing but whistling and clapping. So taste the punishment because you disbelieved! (8:35)

## **WHITE**

On the night of the fast it is lawful for you to have sexual relations with your wives. They are clothing for you and you for them. Allah knows that you have been betraying yourselves and He has turned towards you and excused you. Now you may have sexual intercourse with them and seek what Allah has written for you. Eat and drink until you can clearly discern the white thread from the black thread of the dawn, then fulfil the fast until the night appears. But do not have sexual intercourse with them while you are in retreat in the mosques. These are Allah's limits, so do not go near them. In this way does Allah make His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (2:187)

Do not be like those who split up and differed after the Clear Signs came to them. They will have a terrible punishment on the Day when faces are whitened and faces are blackened. As for those whose faces are blackened: 'What! Did you disbelieve after having believed? Taste the punishment for your disbelief!' (3:105-106)

As for those whose faces are whitened, they are in Allah's mercy, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (3:107)

And he (Musa) drew out his hand and there it was, pure white to those who looked. (7:108)

He (Yusuf's father) turned himself away from them and said, 'What anguish is my sorrow for Yusuf!' And then his eyes turned white from hidden grief. (12:84)

And (Zakariyya) said, 'My Lord, my bones have lost their strength and my head is crowned with white, but in calling on You, My Lord, I have never been disappointed.' (19:4)

(It was revealed to Musa,) 'Put your hand under your arm and press it to your side. It will emerge pure white yet quite unharmed, another Sign.' (20:22)

And he (Musa) drew out his hand and there it was, pure white to those who looked. (26:33)

(It was revealed to Musa,) 'Put your hand inside your shirt front. It will emerge pure white, yet quite unharmed—one of nine Signs to Pharaoh and his people. They are a people of deviators.' (27:12)

(A voice called out to Musa,) 'Put your hand inside your shirt front. It will emerge pure white yet quite unharmed. And hug your arms to your sides to still your fear. These are two proofs from your Lord for Pharaoh and his ruling circle. They are a deviant people.' (28:32)

Do you not see that Allah sends down water from the sky and by it We bring forth fruits of varying colours? And in the mountains there are streaks of white and red, of varying shades, and rocks of deep jet black. (35:27)

In Gardens of Delight on couches face to face; (believers will have) a cup from a flowing spring passing round among them, as white as driven snow, delicious to those who drink. (37:43-46)

## **WIFE**

We said, 'Adam, live in the Garden, you and your wife, and eat freely from it wherever you will. But do not approach this tree and so become wrongdoers.' (2:35)

Those who swear to abstain from sexual relations with their wives can wait for a period of up to four months. If they then retract their oath, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:226)

Those of you who die leaving wives behind: they should wait by themselves for four months and ten nights. When their waiting period comes to an end, you are not to blame for anything they do with themselves with correctness and courtesy.

Allah is aware of what you do. (2:234)

Those of you who die leaving wives behind should make a bequest to their wives of maintenance for a year without them having to leave their homes. But if they do leave you are not to blame for anything they do with themselves with correctness and courtesy. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:240)

Say, 'Shall I tell you of something better than that?' Those who guard against evil will have Gardens with their Lord, with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and purified wives, and the Pleasure of Allah. Allah sees His servants. (3:15)

You receive half of what your wives leave if they are childless. If they have children you receive a quarter of what they leave after any bequest they make or any debts. They receive a quarter of what you leave if you are childless. If you have children they receive an eighth of what you leave after any bequest you make or any debts. If a man or woman has no direct heirs, but has a brother or sister, each of them receives a sixth. If there are more than that they share in a third after any bequest you make or any debts, making sure that no one's rights are prejudiced. This is an instruction from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Forbearing. (4:12)

If you desire to exchange one wife for another and have given your original wife a large amount, do not take any of it. Would you take it by means of slander and outright crime? (4:20) Forbidden for you are: your mothers and your

daughters and your sisters, your maternal aunts and your paternal aunts, your brothers' daughters and your sisters' daughters, your foster mothers who have suckled you, your foster sisters by suckling, your wives' mothers, your stepdaughters who are under your protection: the daughters of your wives whom you have had sexual relations with (though if you have not had sexual relations with them there is nothing blameworthy for you in it then), the wives of your sons whom you have fathered, and marrying two sisters at the same time—except for what may have already taken place. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:23)

They say, 'What is in the wombs of these animals is exclusively for our men and forbidden for our wives. But if it is stillborn, they can share in it.' He will repay them for their false depiction. He is All-Wise, All-Knowing. (6:139)

Say: 'If your fathers or your sons or your brothers or your wives or your tribe, or any wealth you have acquired, or any business you fear may slump, or any house which pleases you, are dearer to you than Allah and His Messenger and striving in His Way, then wait until Allah brings about His command. Allah does not guide people who are deviators.' (9:24)

Gardens of Eden which they will enter, and all of their parents, wives and children who were righteous. Angels will enter in to welcome them from every gate. (13:23)

We sent Messengers before you and gave them wives and children. Nor was any Messenger able to bring a Sign except by Allah's permission. There is a prescribed limit to every term. (13:38) Allah has given you wives from among yourselves, and given you children and grandchildren from your wives, and provided good things for you. So why do they believe in falsehood and reject the blessings of Allah? (16:72)

We said, 'Adam, this is an enemy for you and your wife, so do not let him (Satan) expel you from the Garden and thus make you miserable.' (20:117)

We responded to him and gave him Yahya, restoring for him his wife's fertility. They outdid one another in good actions, calling out to Us in

yearning and in awe, and humbling themselves to Us. (21:90)

(Believers are) those who guard their chastity—except from their wives or those they own as slaves, in which case they are not blameworthy. (23:5-6) Those who make an accusation against their wives and have no witnesses except themselves, such people should testify four times by Allah that they are telling the truth. (24:6)

(Believers are) those who say, ‘Our Lord, give us joy in our wives and children and make us a good example for those who guard against evil’; (25:74)

(Lut said to his people,) ‘Of all beings, do you lie with males, leaving the wives Allah has created for you? You are a people who have overstepped the limits.’ (26:165-166)

Allah has not allotted to any man two hearts within his breast, nor has He made those of your wives you equate with your mothers your actual mothers, nor has He made your adopted sons your actual sons. These are just words coming out of your mouths. But Allah speaks the truth and He guides to the Way. (33:4)

The Prophet is closer to the believers than their own selves, and his wives are their mothers. But blood-relations have closer ties to one another in the Book of Allah than other believers and the emigrants, except that you should act in a proper manner towards your close associates. That is inscribed in the Book. (33:6)

O Prophet, tell your wives: ‘If you desire the life of this world and its finery, come and I will give you all you need and release you with kindness.’ (33:28)

When you said to him whom Allah has blessed and you yourself have greatly favoured, ‘Keep your wife to yourself and have fear of Allah,’ while concealing something in yourself which Allah wished to bring to light, you were fearing people when Allah has more right to your fear. Then when Zayd divorced her We married her to you so that there should be no restriction for the believers regarding the wives of their adopted sons when they have divorced them. Allah’s command is always carried out. (33:37)

O Prophet! We have made lawful for you: your

wives to whom you have given dowries and any slavegirls you own from the booty Allah has allotted you and the daughters of your paternal uncles and the daughters of your paternal aunts and the daughters of your maternal uncles and the daughters of your maternal aunts who have migrated with you and any believing woman who gives herself to the Prophet if the Prophet desires to marry her: exclusively for you as opposed to the rest of the believers—We know very well what We have prescribed for them regarding their wives and any slavegirls they possess—in order that there be no restriction on you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:50)

After that no other women are lawful for you nor may you exchange them for other wives, even though their beauty might be pleasing to you, with the exception of any you own as slaves. Allah is watchful over all things. (33:52)

You who believe! Do not go into the Prophet’s rooms except when you are invited to come and eat. Do not wait there while the food is being cooked. However, when you are called, go in, and when you have eaten, disperse, not remaining there to chat with one another. Doing that causes annoyance to the Prophet though he is too reticent to tell you so. But Allah is not reticent with the truth. When you ask his wives for something, ask them from behind a screen. That is purer for your hearts and their hearts. It is not right for you to cause annoyance to the Messenger of Allah or ever to marry his wives after him. To do that would be a dreadful thing in Allah’s sight. (33:53)

O Prophet! Tell your wives and daughters and the women of the believers to draw their outer garments closely round themselves. This makes it more likely that they will be recognised and not be harmed. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:59)

The Companions of the Garden are busy enjoying themselves today, they and their wives reclining on couches in the shade. (36:55-56)

(Those who bear the Throne ask forgiveness for the believers,) ‘Our Lord, admit them to the Gardens of Eden You have promised them, and all of their parents, wives and children who acted

rightly. Truly You are the Almighty, the All-Wise.' (40:8)

(Believers will be told,) 'Enter the Garden, you and your wives, delighting in your joy.' (43:70)

If any of your wives rejoin the disbelievers, you should have compensation. So repay to those whose wives have gone the dowry they paid out. Have fear of Allah-Him in Whom you believe. (60:11)

You who believe! Some of your wives and children are an enemy to you, so be wary of them. But if you pardon and exonerate and forgive, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (64:14) O Prophet! Why do you make forbidden what Allah has made lawful for you, seeking to please your wives? Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (66:1)

The Prophet confided a certain matter to one of his wives, then when she divulged it Allah disclosed that to him, and he communicated part of it and withheld part of it. When he told her of it, she said, 'Who told you of this?' He said, 'The All-Knowing and All-Aware informed me of it.' (66:3)

If the two of you (Prophet's wives) would only turn to Allah, for your hearts clearly deviated... But if you support one another against him, Allah is his Protector and so are Gabriel and every right-acting man of the believers and, furthermore, the angels too will come to his support. (66:4)

It may be that if he does divorce you, his Lord will give him in exchange better wives than you: Muslim women, believing women, obedient women, penitent women, women who worship, women who fast much—previously married women as well as virgins. (66:5)

Allah has made an example for those who disbelieve: the wife of Nuh and the wife of Lut. They were married to two of Our servants who were righteous but they betrayed them and were not helped at all against Allah. They were told, 'Enter the Fire along with all who enter it.' (66:10)

(On that Day) no good friend will ask about his friend even though they can see each other. An evildoer will wish he could ransom himself from the punishment of that Day, by means of his

sons, or his wife or his brother or his family who sheltered him or everyone else on earth, if that only meant that he could save himself. (70:10-14)

(Believers are) those who guard their chastity except from their wives and any slaves they own, in which case they incur no blame. (70:29-30)

(A band of the jinn said,) "He-exalted be the Majesty of our Lord!—has neither wife nor son." (72:3)

When the Deafening Blast comes, the Day a man will flee from his brother and his mother and his father, and his wife and his children: on that Day every man among them will have concerns enough of his own. (80:33-37)

Ruin to the hands of Abu Lahab and ruin to him! His wealth has not helped him nor anything he has earned. He will burn in a Flaming Fire. And so will his wife, the firewood-carrier, with a rope of twisted fibre round her neck. (111:1-5)

## **WIND**

In the creation of the heavens and earth, and the alternation of the night and day, and the ships which sail the seas to people's benefit, and the water which Allah sends down from the sky—by which He brings the earth to life when it was dead and scatters about in it creatures of every kind—and the varying direction of the winds, and the clouds subservient between heaven and earth, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (2:164)

The metaphor of what they spend in their life in this world is that of a wind with an icy bite to it which strikes the crops of a people who have wronged themselves and destroys them. Allah did not wrong them; rather it was themselves they were wronging. (3:117)

It is He Who sends out the winds, bringing advance news of His mercy, so that when they have lifted up the heavy clouds, We dispatch them to a dead land and send down water to it, by means of which We bring forth all kinds of fruit. In the same way We will bring forth the dead, so that hopefully you will pay heed. (7:57)

It is He Who conveys you on both land and sea so that when some of you are on a boat, running

before a fair wind, rejoicing at it, and then a violent squall comes upon them and the waves come at them from every side and they realise there is no way of escape, they call on Allah, making their religion sincerely His: 'If You rescue us from this, we will truly be among the thankful.' (10:22)

The metaphor of those who reject their Lord is that their actions are like ashes scattered by strong winds on a stormy day. They have no power at all over anything they have earned. That is extreme misguidance. (14:18)

We send forth the pollinating winds and send down water from the sky and give it to you to drink. And it is not you who keep its stores. (15:22)

Make a metaphor for them of the life of this world. It is like water which We send down from the sky and the plants of the earth combine with it but then become dry chaff scattered by the winds. Allah has absolute power over everything. (18:45)

And to Sulayman We gave the fiercely blowing wind, speeding at his command towards the land which We had blessed. And We had full knowledge of everything. (21:81)

Be people of pure natural belief in Allah, not associating anything else with Him. As for anyone who associates others with Allah, it is as though he had fallen from the sky and the birds had seized him and carried him away or the wind had dropped him in a distant place. (22:31)

It is He Who sends out the winds, bringing advance news of His mercy. And We send down from heaven pure water. (25:48)

He Who guides you in the darkness of land and sea and sends out the winds bringing advance news of His mercy. Is there another god besides Allah? May Allah be exalted above what they associate with Him! (27:63)

Among His Signs is that He sends the winds bearing good news, to give you a taste of His mercy, and to make the ships run by His command, and to enable you to seek His bounty so that hopefully you will be thankful. (30:46)

It is Allah Who sends the winds which stir up clouds which He spreads about the sky however

He wills. He forms them into dark clumps and you see the rain come pouring out from the middle of them. When He makes it fall on those of His servants He wills, they rejoice. (30:48) But if We send a wind, and they see it turning yellow, still they persist after that in disbelieving. (30:51)

You who believe! Remember Allah's blessing to you when forces came against you and We sent a wind against them and other forces you could not see. Allah sees what you do. (33:9)

And We gave Sulayman power over the wind—a month's journey in the morning and a month in the afternoon. And We made a fount of molten brass flow out for him. And some of the jinn worked in front of him by his Lord's permission. And if a single one of them deviates at all from Our command, We let him taste the punishment of the Searing Blaze. (34:12)

It is Allah Who sends the winds which raise the clouds which We then drive to a dead land and by them bring the earth to life after it was dead. That is how the Resurrection will be. (35:9)

So We subjected the wind to him to blow at his command, softly, wherever he directed. (38:36)

If He wills He makes the wind stop blowing and then they lie motionless on its back. There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast and thankful. (42:33)

And in the alternation of night and day and the provision Allah sends down from the sky, bringing the earth to life by it after it has died, and the varying direction of the winds, there are Signs for people who use their intellect. (45:5)

When they saw it as a storm cloud advancing on their valleys they said, 'This is a storm cloud which will give us rain.' No, rather it is what you desired to hasten—a wind containing painful punishment. (46:24)

And also in 'Ad when We unleashed against them the barren wind, (51:41)

## WINE

You who believe! Wine and gambling, stone altars and divining arrows are filth from the handiwork of Satan. Avoid them completely so that hopefully you will be successful. Satan wants to

stir up enmity and hatred between you by means of wine and gambling, and to debar you from remembrance of Allah and from prayer. Will you not then give them up? (5:90-91)

Two servants entered prison along with him. One said, 'I dreamt that I was pressing grapes.' The other said, 'I dreamt I carried bread upon my head and birds were eating it. Tell us the true meaning of these dreams. We see that you're one of the righteous.' (12:36)

(Yusuf said,) 'My fellow-captives, one of you will serve his lord with wine, the other of you will be crucified and birds will eat his head. The thing you asked about is foreordained.' (12:41)

An image of the Garden which is promised to those who guard against evil: in it there are rivers of water which will never spoil and rivers of milk whose taste will never change and rivers of wine, delightful to all who drink it, and rivers of honey of undiluted purity; in it they will have fruit of every kind and forgiveness from their Lord. Is that like those who will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever, with boiling water to drink which lacerates their bowels? (Qur7an, 47:15)

They are given the choicest sealed wine to drink. (83:25)

## **WING**

Do not direct your eyes longingly to what We have given certain of them to enjoy. Do not feel sad concerning them. And take the believers under your wing. (15:88)

And take the believers who follow you under your wing. (26:215)

Praise be to Allah, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and earth, He Who made the angels messengers, with wings—two, three or four. He adds to creation in any way He wills. Allah has power over all things. (35:1)

Have they not looked at the birds above them, with wings outspread and folded back? Nothing holds them up but the All-Merciful. He sees all things. (67:19)

## **WISDOM - WISE**

They (the angels) said, 'Glory be to You! We have no knowledge except what You have taught us.

You are the All-Knowing, the All-Wise.' (2:32)  
(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord, raise up among them a Messenger from them to recite Your Signs to them and teach them the Book and Wisdom and purify them. You are the Almighty, the All-Wise.' (2:129)

For this We sent a Messenger to you from among you to recite Our Signs to you and purify you and teach you the Book and Wisdom and teach you things you did not know before. (2:151)

If you backslide after the Clear Signs have come to you, know that Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:209)

(Allah makes the Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect) on this world and the hereafter. They will ask you about the property of orphans. Say, 'Managing it in their best interests is best.' If you mix your property with theirs, they are your brothers. Allah knows a squanderer from a good manager. If Allah had wanted, He could have been hard on you. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:220)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, then either retain them with correctness and courtesy or release them with correctness and courtesy. Do not retain them by force, thus overstepping the limits. Anyone who does that has wronged himself. Do not make a mockery of Allah's Signs. Remember Allah's blessing to you and the Book and Wisdom He has sent down to you to admonish you. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:231)

Those of you who die leaving wives behind should make a bequest to their wives of maintenance for a year without them having to leave their homes. But if they do leave you are not to blame for anything they do with themselves with correctness and courtesy. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:240)

And with Allah's permission they routed them. Dawud killed Goliath and Allah gave him kingship and wisdom and taught him whatever He willed. If it were not for Allah's driving some people back by means of others, the earth would have been corrupted. But Allah shows favour to all the worlds. (2:251)

When Ibrahim said, 'My Lord, show me how You bring the dead to life.' He asked, 'Do you not then believe?' He replied, 'Indeed I do! But so that my heart may be at peace.' He said, 'Take four birds and train them to yourself. Then put a part of them on each mountain and call to them; they will come rushing to you. Know that Allah is Almighty, All-Wise.' (2:260)

He gives wisdom to whoever He wills and he who has been given wisdom has been given great good. But no one pays heed but people of intelligence. (2:269)

It is He Who forms you in the womb however He wills. There is no god but Him, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (3:6)

He will teach him ('Isa) the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel. (3:48)

That is what We recite to you of the Signs and the wise Reminder. (3:58)

This is the true account: there is no other god besides Allah. Allah—He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (3:62)

Remember when Allah made a covenant with the Prophets: 'Now that We have given you a share of the Book and Wisdom, and then a messenger comes to you confirming what is with you, you must believe in him and help him.' He asked, 'Do you agree and undertake my commission on that condition?' They replied, 'We agree.' He said, 'Bear witness, then. I am with you as one of the witnesses.' (3:81)

Allah only did this for it to be good news for you and so that your hearts might be set at rest by it (help comes from no one but Allah, the Almighty, the All-Wise). (3:126)

Allah showed great kindness to the believers when He sent a Messenger to them from among themselves to recite His Signs to them and purify them and teach them the Book and Wisdom, even though before that they were clearly misguided. (3:164)

Allah instructs you regarding your children: A male receives the same as the share of two females. If there are more than two daughters they receive two-thirds of what you leave. If she is one on her own she receives a half. Each of your parents receives a sixth of what you leave if you

have children. If you are childless and your heirs are your parents your mother receives a third. If you have brothers or sisters your mother receives a sixth, after any bequest you make or any debts. With regard to your fathers and your sons, you do not know which of them is going to benefit you more. These are obligatory shares from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:11)

Allah only accepts the repentance of those who do evil in ignorance and then quickly repent after doing it. Allah turns towards such people. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:17)

And also (forbidden for you are) married women, except for those you have taken in war as slaves. This is what Allah has prescribed for you. Apart from that He has made all other women lawful for you provided you seek them with your wealth in marriage and not in fornication. When you consummate your marriage with them give them their prescribed dowry. There is nothing wrong in any further agreement you might come to after the dowry has been given. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:24)

Allah desires to make things clear to you and to guide you to the correct practices of those before you and to turn towards you. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:26)

Or do they in fact envy other people for the bounty Allah has granted them? We gave the family of Ibrahim the Book and Wisdom, and We gave them an immense kingdom. (4:54)

As for those who reject Our Signs, We will roast them in a Fire. Every time their skins are burned off, We will replace them with new skins so that they can taste the punishment. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (4:56)

A believer should never kill another believer unless it is by mistake. Anyone who kills a believer by mistake should free a believing slave and pay blood-money to his family unless they forgo it as a charity. If he is from a people who are your enemies and is a believer, you should free a believing slave. If he is from a people you have a treaty with, blood money should be paid to his family and you should free a believing slave. Anyone who cannot find the means should fast two consecutive months. This is a concession from Allah.

Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:92)  
Do not relax in pursuit of the enemy. If you feel pain, they too are feeling it just as you are, but you hope for something from Allah which they cannot hope for. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:104)

If anyone commits an evil action the responsibility for it is his alone. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:111)

Were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, a group of them would almost have managed to mislead you. But they mislead no one but themselves and do not harm you in any way. Allah has sent down the Book and Wisdom to you and taught you what you did not know before. Allah's favour to you is indeed immense. (4:113)

If a couple do separate, Allah will enrich each of them from His boundless wealth. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Wise. (4:130)

Allah raised him ('Isa) up to Himself. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (4:158)

Messengers bringing good news and giving warning, so that people will have no argument against Allah after the coming of the Messengers. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (4:165)

Mankind! The Messenger has brought you the truth from your Lord, so it is better for you to believe. But if you disbelieve, everything in the heavens and the earth belongs to Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:170)

As for thieves, both male and female, cut off their hands in reprisal for what they have done: an object lesson from Allah. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (5:38)

Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam, remember My blessing to you and to your mother when I reinforced you with the Purest Spirit so that you could speak to people in the cradle and when you were fully grown; and when I taught you the Book and Wisdom, and the Torah and the Gospel; and when you created a bird-shape out of clay by My permission, and then breathed into it and it became a bird by My permission; and healed the blind and the leper by My permission; and when you brought forth the dead by My permission; and when I held

back the tribe of Israel from you, when you brought them the Clear Signs and those of them who disbelieved said, "This is nothing but downright magic!" (5:110)

('Isa son of Maryam will say,) 'If You punish them, they are Your servants. If you forgive them, You are the Almighty, the All-Wise.' (5:118)

He is the Absolute Master over His servants. He is the All-Wise, the All-Aware. (6:18)

It is He Who created the heavens and the earth with truth. The day He says 'Be!' it is. His speech is Truth. The Kingdom will be His on the Day the Trumpet is blown, the Knower of the Unseen and the Visible. He is the All-Wise, the All-Aware. (6:73)

This is the argument We gave to Ibrahim against his people. We raise in rank anyone We will. Your Lord is All-Wise, All-Knowing. (6:83)

On the Day We gather them all together: 'Company of jinn, you gained many followers among mankind.' And their friends among mankind will say, 'Our Lord, we benefited from one another, and now we have reached the term which You determined for us.' He will say, 'The Fire is your home. You will be in it timelessly, for ever, except as Allah wills. Your Lord is All-Wise, All-Knowing.' (6:128)

They say, 'What is in the wombs of these animals is exclusively for our men and forbidden for our wives. But if it is stillborn, they can share in it.' He will repay them for their false depiction. He is All-Wise, All-Knowing. (6:139)

Allah only did this to give you good news and that so your hearts would be at rest. Victory comes from no one but Allah. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (8:10)

And when the hypocrites and those with sickness in their hearts said, 'These people have been deluded by their religion.' But those who put their trust in Allah will find Allah to be Almighty, All-Wise. (8:49)

And (He) unified their (believers') hearts. Even if you had spent everything on the earth, you could not have unified their hearts. But Allah has unified them. He is Almighty, All-Wise. (8:63)

It is not fitting for a Prophet to take captives until he has thoroughly subdued the land. You desire

the goods of this world, whereas Allah desires the hereafter. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (8:67) But if they mean to betray you, they have already previously betrayed Allah, so He has given you power over them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (8:71)

He will remove the rage from their hearts. Allah turns to anyone He wills. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:15)

You who believe! The idolaters are unclean, so after this year they should not come near the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). If you fear impoverishment, Allah will enrich you from His bounty if He wills. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:28)

If you do not help him, Allah did help him when those who disbelieved drove him out and there were two of them in the Cave. He said to his companion, 'Do not be despondent, Allah is with us.' Then Allah sent down His serenity upon him and reinforced him with troops you could not see. He made the word of those who disbelieved undermost. It is the word of Allah which is uppermost. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:40)

The alms are for: the poor, the destitute, those who collect it, reconciling people's hearts, freeing slaves, those in debt, spending in the Way of Allah, and travellers. It is a legal obligation from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:60)

The men and women of the believers are friends of one another. They command what is right and forbid what is wrong, and perform prayer and give the alms, and obey Allah and His Messenger. They are the people on whom Allah will have mercy. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:71)

The desert arabs are more obdurate in disbelief and hypocrisy and more likely not to know the limits which Allah has sent down to His Messenger. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:97)

And others are left awaiting Allah's command as to whether He will punish them or turn to them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (9:106)

The buildings they have built will not cease to be a bone of contention in their hearts, until their hearts are cut to shreds. Allah is All-Knowing,

All-Wise. (9:110)

Alif Lam Ra. Those are the Signs of the Wise Book. (10:1)

Alif Lam Ra. A Book whose verses are perfectly constructed, and then demarcated, coming directly from One who is All-Wise, All-Aware. (11:1)

(Yusuf's father said,) 'Accordingly your Lord will pick you out and teach you the true meaning of events and perfectly fulfil His blessing on you as well as on the family of Ya'qub as He fulfilled it perfectly before upon your forebears, Ibrahim and Ishaq. Most certainly your Lord is Knowing, Wise.' (12:6)

He (Yusuf's father) said, 'It's merely that your lower selves suggested something to you which you did. But beauty lies in having steadfastness. Perhaps Allah will bring them all together. He is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise.' (12:83)

He (Yusuf) raised his parents up onto the throne. The others fell prostrate in front of him. He said, 'My father, truly this is now the interpretation of the dream I had. My Lord has made it all come true; and He was kind to me by letting me out of prison and brought you from the desert when Satan had caused dissent between me and my brothers. My Lord is kind to anyone He wills. He is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise. (12:100)

We have not sent any Messenger except with the language of his people so he can make things clear to them. Allah misguides anyone He wills and guides anyone He wills. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (14:4)

It is your Lord Who will gather them. He is All-Wise, All-Knowing. (15:25)

Those who do not believe in the hereafter have an evil likeness. Allah's is the Highest Likeness. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (16:60)

Call to the way of your Lord with wisdom and fair admonition, and argue with them in the kindest way. Your Lord knows best who is misguided from His way. And He knows best who are guided. (16:125)

That is part of the wisdom your Lord has revealed to you. Do not set up another god together with Allah and so be thrown into Hell, blamed and driven out. (17:39)

We did not send any Messenger or any Prophet before you without Satan insinuating something into his recitation while he was reciting. But Allah revokes whatever Satan insinuates and then Allah confirms His Signs—Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (22:52)

Were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy... and that Allah is Ever-Returning, All-Wise. (24:10)

Allah makes the Signs clear to you and Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (24:18)

You who believe! Those you own as slaves and those of you who have not yet reached puberty should ask your permission to enter at three times: before the Dawn Prayer, when you have undressed at noon, and after the Prayer of Night—three times of nakedness for you. There is nothing wrong for you or them at other times in moving around among yourselves from one to another. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (24:58)

Once your children have reached puberty, they should ask your permission to enter as those before them also asked permission. In this way Allah makes His Signs clear to you. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (24:59)

You receive the Qur'an directly from One who is All-Wise, All-Knowing. (27:6)

'Musa, I am Allah, the Almighty, the All-Wise.' (27:9)

And Lut believed in him. He said, 'I am leaving this place to follow the pleasure of my Lord. He is the Almighty, the All Wise.' (29:26)

Allah knows what you call upon besides Himself. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (29:42)

It is He Who originated creation and then regenerates it. That is very easy for Him. His is the most exalted designation in the heavens and the earth. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (30:27)

Those are the Signs of the Wise Book. (31:2)

For those who believe and do right actions there are Gardens of Delight, to remain in them timelessly, for ever. Allah's promise is true. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (31:8-9)

We gave Luqman wisdom: 'Give thanks to Allah. Whoever gives thanks only does so to his own good. Whoever is ungrateful, Allah is Rich Beyond

Need, Praiseworthy.' (31:12)

If all the trees on earth were pens and all the sea, with seven more seas besides, was ink Allah's words still would not run dry. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (31:27)

O Prophet! Have fear of Allah and do not obey the disbelievers and hypocrites. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (33:1)

And remember the Signs of Allah and the wise words which are recited in your rooms. Allah is All-Pervading, All-Aware. (33:34)

Praise be to Allah, to Whom everything in the heavens and everything in the earth belongs, and praise be to Him in the hereafter. He is the All-Wise, the All-Aware. (34:1)

Say: 'Show me those you have joined to Him as associates. No indeed! He is Allah, the Almighty, the All-Wise.' (34:27)

Any mercy Allah opens up to people, no one can withhold, and any He withholds, no one can afterwards release. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (35:2)

(I swear) by the Wise Qur'an. (36:2)

We made his (Dawud's) kingdom strong and gave him wisdom and decisive speech. (38:20)

The revelation of the Book is from Allah, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (39:1)

(Angels ask forgiveness for believers,) 'Our Lord, admit them to the Gardens of Eden You have promised them, and all of their parents, wives and children who acted rightly. Truly You are the Almighty, the All-Wise.' (40:8)

Falsehood cannot reach it (the Qur'an) from before it or behind it—it is a revelation from One who is All-Wise, Praiseworthy. (41:42)

That is how He sends revelation to you and those before you. Allah is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (42:3)

It does not befit Allah to address any human being except by inspiration, or from behind a veil, or He sends a messenger who then reveals by His permission whatever He wills. He is indeed Most High, All-Wise. (42:51)

It is in the Source Book with Us, high-exalted, full of wisdom. (43:4)

And when 'Isa came with the Clear Signs, he said, 'I have come to you with Wisdom and to

clarify for you some of the things about which you have differed. Therefore have fear of Allah and obey me. (43:63)

It is He Who is God in heaven and God on earth. He is the All-Wise, the All-Knowing. (43:84)

During it (the blessed night) every wise decree is specified. (44:4)

The revelation of the Book is from Allah, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (45:2)

All greatness belongs to Him in the heavens and earth. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (45:37)

The revelation of the Book is from Allah, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (46:2)

It is He Who sent down serenity into the hearts of the believers thereby increasing their faith with more faith—the legions of the heavens and the earth belong to Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (48:4)

The legions of the heavens and the earth belong to Allah. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (48:7)

And (He has rewarded the believers) with much booty which they will take. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (48:19)

It is a great favour from Allah and a blessing. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (49:8)

They said, 'That is what your Lord says. He is the All-Wise, the All-Knowing.' (51:30)

News has come to them which contains a threat: consummate wisdom—but warnings are profitless. (54:4-5)

He is Allah—the Creator, the Maker, the Giver of Form. To Him belong the Most Beautiful Names. Everything in the heavens and earth glorifies Him. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (59:24)  
Everything in the heavens and the earth glorifies Allah. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (57:1, 59:1, 61:1)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord, do not make us a target for those who disbelieve and forgive us. Our Lord, You are the Almighty, the All-Wise.' (60:5)  
You who believe! When women who believe come to you as emigrants, submit them to a test. Allah has best knowledge of their faith. If you know they are believers, do not return them to the disbelievers. They are not lawful for the disbelievers nor are the disbelievers lawful for them. Give the disbelievers whatever dowry they paid.

And there is nothing wrong in your marrying them provided you pay them their due. Do not hold to any marriage ties with women who disbelieve. Ask for what you paid and let them ask for what they paid. That is Allah's judgement. Allah will judge between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (60:10)

It is He Who raised up among the unlettered people a Messenger from them to recite His Signs to them and purify them and teach them the Book and Wisdom, even though before that they were clearly misguided. And others of them who have not yet joined them. He is the Almighty, the All-Wise. (62:2-3)

The Knower of the Unseen and the Visible, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (64:18)

Allah has made the expiation of your oaths obligatory for you. Allah is your Master—He is the All-Knowing, the All-Wise. (66:2)

But you will not will unless Allah wills. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (76:30)

## **WITNESS**

If you have doubts about what We have sent down to Our servant, produce another sura equal to it, and call your witnesses, besides Allah, if you are telling the truth. (2:23)

And when We made a covenant with you not to shed your blood and not to expel one another from your homes, you agreed and were all witnesses. (2:84)

In this way We have made you a middlemost community, so that you may act as witnesses against mankind and the Messenger as a witness against you. We only appointed the direction you used to face in order to know those who follow the Messenger from those who turn round on their heels. Though in truth it is a very hard thing—except for those Allah has guided. Allah would never let your faith go to waste. Allah is All-Gentle, Most Merciful to mankind. (2:143)

Among the people there is someone whose words about the life of this world excite your admiration, and he calls Allah to witness what is in his heart, while he is in fact the most hostile of adversaries. (2:204)

You who believe! When you take on a debt for a

specified period, write it down. A writer should write it down between you justly. No writer should refuse to write; as Allah has taught him, so he should write. The one incurring the debt should dictate and should have fear of Allah, his Lord and not reduce it in any way. If the person incurring the debt is incompetent or weak or unable to dictate, then his guardian should dictate for him justly. Two men among you should act as witnesses. But if there are not two men, then a man and two women with whom you are satisfied as witnesses; then if one of them forgets, the other can remind her. Witnesses should not refuse when they are called upon. Do not think it too trivial to write down, whether small or large, with the date that it falls due. Doing that is more just in Allah's sight and more helpful when bearing witness and more likely to eliminate any doubt-unless it is an immediate transaction hand to hand, taken and given without delay. There is nothing wrong in your not writing that down. Call witnesses when you trade. Neither writer nor witness should be put under pressure. If you do that, it is deviancy on your part. Have fear of Allah and Allah will give you knowledge. Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:282)

Allah bears witness that there is no god but Him, as do the angels and the people of knowledge, upholding justice. There is no god but Him, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (3:18)

When 'Isa sensed disbelief on their part, he said, 'Who will be my helpers to Allah?' The disciples said, 'We are Allah's helpers. We believe in Allah. Bear witness that we are Muslims. Our Lord, we believe in what You have sent down and have followed the Messenger, so write us down among the witnesses.' (3:52-53)

Say, 'People of the Book! Come to a proposition which is the same for us and you—that we should worship none but Allah and not associate any partners with Him and not take one another as lords besides Allah.' If they turn away, say, 'Bear witness that we are Muslims.' (3:64)

People of the Book! Why do you reject Allah's Signs when you yourselves are there as witnesses? (3:70)

Remember when Allah made a covenant with

the Prophets: 'Now that We have given you a share of the Book and Wisdom, and then a messenger comes to you confirming what is with you, you must believe in him and help him.' He asked, 'Do you agree and undertake my commission on that condition?' They replied, 'We agree.' He said, 'Bear witness, then. I am with you as one of the witnesses.' (3:81)

How can Allah guide a people who have disbelieved after having believed? They bore witness that the Messenger was true and that the Clear Signs had come to them. Allah does not guide people who are wrongdoers. (3:86)

Say, 'People of the Book, why do you reject Allah's Signs when Allah is witness of everything you do?' (3:98)

Say, 'People of the Book, why do you bar those who believe from the Way of Allah, seeking in it something crooked, when you yourselves are witnesses to it? Allah is not unaware of what you do.' (3:99)

Keep a close check on orphans until they reach a marriageable age, then if you perceive that they have sound judgement hand over their property to them. Do not consume it extravagantly and precipitately before they come of age. Those who are wealthy should abstain from it altogether. Those who are poor should use it sensibly and correctly. When you hand over their property to them ensure that there are witnesses on their behalf. Allah suffices as a Reckoner. (4:6)

If any of your women commit fornication, four of you must be witnesses against them. If they bear witness, detain them in their homes until death releases them or Allah ordains another procedure for their case. (4:15)

We have appointed heirs for everything that parents and relatives leave. If you have a bond with people, give them their share. Allah is a witness of all things. (4:33)

How will it be when We bring a witness from every nation and bring you as a witness against them? (4:41)

Any good thing that happens to you comes from Allah. Any bad thing that happens to you comes from yourself. We have sent you to mankind as a Messenger. Allah suffices as a Witness. (4:79)

You who believe! Be upholders of justice, bearing witness for Allah alone, even against yourselves or your parents and relatives. Whether they are rich or poor, Allah is well able to look after them. Do not follow your own desires and deviate from the truth. If you twist or turn away, Allah is aware of what you do. (4:135)

There is not one of the People of the Book who will not believe in him before he dies; and on the Day of Rising he will be a witness against them. (4:159)

But Allah bears witness to what He has sent down to you. He has sent it down with His knowledge. The angels bear witness as well. And Allah suffices as a Witness. (4:166)

You who believe! Show integrity for the sake of Allah, bearing witness with justice. Do not let hatred for a people incite you into not being just. Be just. That is closer to heedfulness. Have fear of Allah. Allah is aware of what you do. (5:8)

We sent down the Torah containing guidance and light, and the Prophets who had submitted themselves gave judgement by it for the Jews—as did their scholars and their rabbis—by what they had been allowed to preserve of Allah's Book to which they were witnesses. Do not be afraid of people, be afraid of Me. And do not sell My Signs for a paltry price. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are disbelievers. (5:44)

When they listen to what has been sent down to the Messenger, you see their eyes overflowing with tears because of what they recognise of the truth. They say, 'Our Lord, we believe! So write us down among the witnesses.' (5:83)

You who believe! When one of you is near to death and makes a will, two just men from among you should act as witnesses; or, if you are travelling when the misfortune of death occurs, two men who are strangers to you. You should detain them after prayer and, if you are doubtful, they should swear by Allah: 'We will not sell it for any price, even to a near relative, and we will not conceal the testimony of Allah. If we did we would indeed be wrongdoers.' (5:106)

(Remember when Allah said, "Isa, son of Maryam,) when I inspired the Disciples to be-

lieve in Me and in My Messenger, they said, "We believe. Bear witness that we are Muslims." (5:111)

They (the Disciples) said, 'We want to eat from it and for our hearts to be at peace and to know that you have told us the truth and to be among those who witness it.' (5:113)

('Isa said,) 'I said to them nothing but what You ordered me to say: "Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord." I was a witness against them as long as I remained among them, but when You took me back to You, You were the One watching over them. You are Witness of all things.' (5:117) Say: 'What thing is greatest as a witness?' Say: 'Allah. He is Witness between me and you. This Qur'an has been revealed to me so that I may warn you by it, and anyone else it reaches. Do you then bear witness that there are other gods together with Allah?' Say: 'I do not bear witness.' Say: 'He is only One God, and I am free of all you associate with Him.' (6:19)

And a pair of camels and a pair of cattle—Say: 'Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Were you then witnesses when Allah gave you this instruction?' Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah thus leading people astray without any knowledge? Allah does not guide the people of the wrongdoers. (6:144)

Say: 'Produce your witnesses to testify that Allah made this forbidden.' If they do testify, do not testify with them and do not follow the whims and desires of people who deny Our Signs, and who do not believe in the hereafter and make others equal to their Lord. (6:150)

It is not for the idolaters to maintain the mosques of Allah, bearing witness against themselves of their disbelief. They are the ones whose actions will come to nothing. They will be in the Fire timelessly, for ever. (9:17)

As for those who have set up a mosque, causing harm and out of disbelief, to create division between the believers, and in readiness for those who previously made war on Allah and His Messenger, they will swear, 'We only desired the best.' But Allah bears witness that they are truly

liars. (9:107)

(Their partner-gods will say,) 'Allah is a sufficient witness between us and you. We were unaware of your worship.' (10:29)

Whether We show you something of what We have promised them or take you back to Us, they will still return to Us. Then Allah will be witness against what they are doing. (10:46)

You do not engage in any matter or recite any of the Qur'an or do any action without Our witnessing you while you are occupied with it. Not even the smallest speck eludes your Lord, either on earth or in heaven. Nor is there anything smaller than that, or larger, which is not in a Clear Book. (10:61)

But as for those who have clear evidence from their Lord followed up by a witness from Him—and before it the Book of Musa came as a model and a mercy—such people believe in it. Any faction which rejects it is promised the Fire. Be in no doubt about it. It is the Truth from your Lord. But most people have no faith. (11:17)

Who could do greater wrong than those who invent lies against Allah? Such people will be arraigned before their Lord and the witnesses will say, 'Those are the ones who lied against their Lord.' Yes indeed! Allah's curse is on the wrong-doers. (11:18)

We only say that one of our gods has driven you mad.' He said, 'I call on Allah to be my witness, and you also bear witness, that I am free of all the gods you have apart from Him.' (11:54)

He (Yusuf) said, 'It was she who tried to seduce me.' A witness from her people then declared, 'If his shirt is torn in front, she speaks the truth and he has clearly told a shameless lie.' (12:26)

Those who disbelieve say, 'You are not a Messenger.' Say: 'Allah is a sufficient witness between you and me, and anyone else who has knowledge of the Book.' (13:43)

On the Day We raise up a witness from every nation, those who disbelieved will not be excused nor will they be able to appease Allah. (16:84)

On that Day We will raise up among every community a witness against them from amongst themselves, and bring you as a witness against them. We have sent down the Book to you mak-

ing all things clear and as guidance and mercy and good news for the Muslims. (16:89)

Perform prayer from the time the sun declines until the darkening of the night, and also the recitation at dawn. The dawn recitation is certainly witnessed. (17:78)

Say: 'Allah is a sufficient witness between me and you. He is certainly aware of and sees His servants.' (17:96)

I did not make them witnesses of the creation of the heavens and the earth nor of their own creation. I would not take as assistants those who lead astray! (18:51)

They said, 'Bring him before the people's eyes so they can be witnesses.' (21:61)

And Dawud and Sulayman when they gave judgement about the field, when the people's sheep strayed into it at night. We were Witness to their judgement. (21:78)

As for those who believe and those who are Jews and the Sabaeans and the Christians, Magians and idolaters, Allah will distinguish between them on the Day of Rising. Allah is witness of all things. (22:17)

Strive for Allah with the striving due to Him. He has selected you and not placed any constraint upon you in the religion—the religion of your forefather Ibrahim. He named you Muslims before and also in this, so that the Messenger could be witness against you and you could be witnesses against all mankind. So perform prayer and give the alms and hold fast to Allah. He is your Protector—the Best Protector, the Best Helper. (22:78)

A woman and a man who commit fornication: flog both of them with one hundred lashes and do not let compassion for either of them possess you where Allah's religion is concerned, if you believe in Allah and the Last Day. A number of believers should witness their punishment. (24:2) But those who make accusations against chaste women and then do not produce four witnesses: flog them with eighty lashes and never again accept them as witnesses. Such people are deviators. (24:4)

Those who make an accusation against their wives and have no witnesses except themselves,

such people should testify four times by Allah that they are telling the truth (24:6)

Why did they not produce four witnesses to it? Since they did not bring four witnesses, in Allah's sight, they are liars. (24:13)

(Believers are) those who do not bear false witness and who, when they pass by worthless talk, pass by with dignity; (25:72)

They said, 'Let us make an oath to one another by Allah that we will fall on him and his family in the night and then say to his protector, "We did not witness the destruction of his family and we are telling the truth." (27:49)

You were not on the western side when We gave Musa the command. You were not a witness. (28:44)

We will drag out a witness from each nation and will say, 'Produce your evidence!' They will know then that the truth is with Allah and that what they invented has forsaken them. (28:75) Say: 'Allah is a sufficient witness between me and you.' He knows everything in the heavens and the earth. Those who believe in falsehood and reject Allah, they are the losers. (29:52)

O Prophet! We have sent you as a witness, and a bringer of good news and a warner, (33:45)

They incur no blame in respect of their fathers or their sons or their brothers or their brothers' or sisters' sons, or their women or any slaves they own. Have fear of Allah. Allah is witness of all things. (33:55)

Say: 'I have not asked you for any wage—it is all for you. My wage is the responsibility of Allah alone. He is witness of everything.' (34:47)

Today We seal up their mouths and their hands speak to us, and their feet bear witness to what they have earned. (36:65)

Or did We create the angels female, with them as witnesses? (37:150)

And the earth will shine with the Pure Light of its Lord; the Book will be put in place; the Prophets and witnesses will be brought; it will be decided between them with the truth; and they will not be wronged. (39:69)

We will certainly help Our Messengers and those who believe both in the life of this world and on the Day the witnesses appear, (40:51)

Knowledge of the Hour is referred to Him. And no fruit emerges from its husk, nor does any female get pregnant or give birth, without His knowledge. On the Day He calls out to them: 'Where are My associates?' they will say, 'We declare to you that none of us is a witness.' (41:47) We will show them Our Signs on the horizon and within themselves until it is clear to them that it is the truth. Is it not enough for your Lord that He is a witness of everything? (41:53)

They have designated the angels as female, those who are in the presence of the All-Merciful! Were they present to witness their creation? Their testimony will be recorded and they will be asked about it! (43:19)

Those you call upon apart from Him possess no power of intercession—only those who bore witness to the truth and have full knowledge. (43:86)

Or do they say, 'He has invented it'? Say: 'If I have invented it, then you possess no power to help me against Allah in any way. He knows best what you hold forth about. He is witness enough between me and you. He is the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful.' (46:8)

Say: 'What do you think? If it is from Allah and you reject it, when a witness from the tribe of Israel testifies to its similarity and believes while you are arrogant...! Allah certainly does not guide wrongdoing people.' (46:10)

We have sent you bearing witness, bringing good news and giving warning. (48:8)

It is He Who sent His Messenger with the Guidance and the Religion of Truth to exalt it over every other religion and Allah suffices as a witness. (48:28)

Every self will come together with a driver and a witness. (50:21)

On the Day Allah raises up all of them together, He will inform them of what they did. Allah has recorded it while they have forgotten it. Allah is a Witness of all things. (58:6)

Did you not see the hypocrites saying to their brothers, those among the People of the Book who disbelieve, 'If you are driven out we will leave with you, we will never obey anyone to your detriment. And if you are fought against we

will help you'? Allah bears witness that they are truly liars. (59:11)

When the hypocrites come to you they say, 'We bear witness that you are indeed the Messenger of Allah.' Allah knows that you are indeed His Messenger and Allah bears witness that the hypocrites are certainly liars. (63:1)

Then when they have reached the end of their waiting period either retain them with correctness and courtesy or part from them with correctness and courtesy. Call two upright men from among yourselves as witnesses and they should carry out the witnessing for Allah. This is admonishment for all who believe in Allah and the Last Day. Whoever has fear of Allah—He will give him a way out. (65:2)

We have sent you a Messenger to bear witness against you just as We sent Pharaoh a Messenger. (73:15)

Those brought near will witness it. (83:21)

And (I swear by) the witness and the witnessed... (85:3)

Him to Whom the Kingdom of the heavens and the earth belongs. Allah is Witness of all things. (85:9)

Truly man is ungrateful to his Lord and indeed he bears witness to that. (100:6-7)

## **WOLF**

They (brothers of Yusuf) said, 'If a wolf does come and eat him up when together we make up a powerful group in that case we would truly be in loss!' (12:14)

That night they (brothers of Yusuf) came back to their father in tears, saying, 'Father, we went out to run a race and left Yusuf together with our things and then a wolf appeared and ate him up but you are never going to believe us now, not even though we really tell the truth.' (12:16-17)

## **WOMB**

Divorced women should wait by themselves for three menstrual cycles; and it is not lawful for them to conceal what Allah has created in their wombs if they believe in Allah and the Last Day. Their husbands have the right to take them back within that time, if they desire to be reconciled.

Women possess rights similar to those held over them to be honoured with fairness; but men have a degree above them. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:228)

It is He Who forms you in the womb however He wills. There is no god but Him, the Almighty, the All-Wise. (3:6)

Remember when the wife of 'Imran said, 'My Lord, I have pledged to You what is in my womb, devoting it to Your service. Please accept my prayer. You are the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing.' (3:35)

They say, 'What is in the wombs of these animals is exclusively for our men and forbidden for our wives. But if it is stillborn, they can share in it.' He will repay them for their false depiction. He is All-Wise, All-Knowing. (6:139)

There are eight in pairs: A pair of sheep and a pair of goats—Say: 'Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Tell me with knowledge if you are being truthful.' (6:143)

And a pair of camels and a pair of cattle—Say: 'Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Were you then witnesses when Allah gave you this instruction?' Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah thus leading people astray without any knowledge? Allah does not guide the people of the wrongdoers. (6:144)

Allah knows what every female bears and every shrinking of the womb and every swelling. Everything has its measure with Him. (13:8)

Allah brought you out of your mothers' wombs knowing nothing at all, and gave you hearing, sight and hearts so that perhaps you would show thanks. (16:78)

On the day they see it, every nursing woman will be oblivious of the baby at her breast, and every pregnant woman will abort the contents of her womb, and you will think people drunk when they are not drunk; it is just that the punishment of Allah is so severe. (22:2)

Mankind! If you are in any doubt about the Rising, know that We created you from dust then from a drop of sperm then from a clot of blood

then from a lump of flesh, formed yet unformed, so We may make things clear to you. We make whatever We want stay in the womb until a specified time and then We bring you out as children so that you can reach your full maturity. Some of you die and some of you revert to the lowest form of life so that, after having knowledge, they then know nothing at all. And you see the earth dead and barren; then when We send down water onto it it quivers and swells and sprouts with luxuriant plants of every kind. (22:5)

Truly Allah has knowledge of the Hour and sends down abundant rain and knows what is in the womb. And no self knows what it will earn tomorrow and no self knows in what land it will die. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (31:34)

He created you from a single self, then produced its mate from it, and sent down livestock to you—eight kinds in pairs. He creates you stage by stage in your mothers' wombs in a threefold darkness. That is Allah, your Lord. Sovereignty is His. There is no god but Him. So what has made you deviate? (39:6)

To whoever avoids the major wrong actions and indecencies—except for minor lapses—truly your Lord is vast in forgiveness. He has most knowledge of you when He first produced you from the earth, and when you were embryos in your mothers' wombs. So do not claim purity for yourselves. He knows best those who guard against evil. (53:32)

## **WOMEN**

We said, ‘Adam, live in the Garden, you and your wife, and eat freely from it wherever you will. But do not approach this tree and so become wrongdoers.’ (2:35)

Remember when We rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you—slaughtering your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial for you from your Lord. (2:49)

On the night of the fast it is lawful for you to have sexual relations with your wives. They are clothing for you and you for them. Allah knows that you have been betraying yourselves and He has turned towards you and excused you. Now you

may have sexual intercourse with them and seek what Allah has written for you. Eat and drink until you can clearly discern the white thread from the black thread of the dawn, then fulfil the fast until the night appears. But do not have sexual intercourse with them while you are in retreat in the mosques. These are Allah's limits, so do not go near them. In this way does Allah make His Signs clear to people so that hopefully they will guard against evil. (2:187)

They will ask you about menstruation. Say, ‘It is an impurity, so keep apart from women during menstruation and do not approach them until they have purified themselves. But once they have purified themselves, then go to them in the way that Allah has enjoined on you.’ Allah loves those who turn back from wrongdoing and He loves those who purify themselves. (2:222)

Your women are fertile fields for you, so come to your fertile fields however you like. Send good ahead for yourselves and have fear of Allah. Know that you are going to meet Him. And give good news to the believers. (2:223)

Those who swear to abstain from sexual relations with their wives can wait for a period of up to four months. If they then retract their oath, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. If they are determined to divorce, Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (2:226-227)

Divorced women should wait by themselves for three menstrual cycles; and it is not lawful for them to conceal what Allah has created in their wombs if they believe in Allah and the Last Day. Their husbands have the right to take them back within that time, if they desire to be reconciled. Women possess rights similar to those held over them to be honoured with fairness; but men have a degree above them. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:228)

Divorce can be pronounced two times; in which case wives may be retained with correctness and courtesy or released with good will. It is not lawful for you to keep anything you have given them unless a couple fear that they will not remain within Allah's limits. If you fear that they will not remain within Allah's limits, there is nothing wrong in the wife ransoming herself with some of

what she received. These are Allah's limits, so do not overstep them. Those who overstep Allah's limits are wrongdoers. (2:229)

But if a man divorces his wife a third time, she is not lawful for him after that until she has married another husband. Then if he divorces her, there is nothing wrong in the original couple getting back together provided they think they will remain within Allah's limits. These are Allah's limits which he has made clear to people who know. (2:230)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, then either retain them with correctness and courtesy or release them with correctness and courtesy. Do not retain them by force, thus overstepping the limits. Anyone who does that has wronged himself. Do not make a mockery of Allah's Signs. Remember Allah's blessing to you and the Book and Wisdom He has sent down to you to admonish you. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:231)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, do not prevent them from marrying their first husbands if they have mutually agreed to it with correctness and courtesy. This is an admonition for those of you who believe in Allah and the Last Day. That is better and purer for you. Allah knows and you do not know. (2:232)

Mothers should nurse their children for two full years—those who wish to complete the full term of nursing. It is the duty of the fathers to feed and clothe them with correctness and courtesy—no self is charged with more than it can bear. No mother should be put under pressure in respect of her child nor any father in respect of his child. The same duty is incumbent on the heir. If the couple both wish weaning to take place after mutual agreement and consultation, there is nothing wrong in their doing that. If you wish to find wet-nurses for your children, there is nothing wrong in your doing that provided you hand over to them what you have agreed to give with correctness and courtesy. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah sees what you do. (2:233)

Those of you who die leaving wives behind: they

should wait by themselves for four months and ten nights. When their waiting period comes to an end, you are not to blame for anything they do with themselves with correctness and courtesy. Allah is aware of what you do. (2:234)

Nor is there anything wrong in any allusion to marriage you make to a woman, nor for any you keep to yourself. Allah knows that you will say things to them. But do not make secret arrangements with them, rather only speak with correctness and courtesy. Do not finally decide on the marriage contract until the prescribed period has come to its end. Know that Allah knows what is in your selves, so beware of Him! And know that Allah is Ever-Forgiving, All-Forbearing. (2:235)

There is nothing wrong in your divorcing women before you have touched them or allotted a dowry to them. But give them a gift—he who is wealthy according to his means and he who is less well off according to his means—a gift to be given with correctness and courtesy: a duty for all good-doers. (2:236)

If you divorce them before you have touched them but have already allotted them a dowry, they should have half the amount which you allotted, unless they forgo it or the one in charge of the marriage contract forgoes it. To forgo it is closer to heedfulness. Do not forget to show generosity to one another. Allah sees what you do. (2:237)

Those of you who die leaving wives behind should make a bequest to their wives of maintenance for a year without them having to leave their homes. But if they do leave you are not to blame for anything they do with themselves with correctness and courtesy. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:240)

Divorced women should receive maintenance given with correctness and courtesy: a duty for all who guard against evil. (2:241)

Remember when the wife of 'Imran said, 'My Lord, I have pledged to You what is in my womb, devoting it to Your service. Please accept my prayer. You are the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing.' (3:35)

When she gave birth, she said, 'My Lord! I have given birth to a girl'—and Allah knew very well

what she had given birth to, male and female are not the same—and I have named her Maryam and placed her and her children in Your safe-keeping from the accursed Satan.’ (3:36)

Her Lord accepted her with approval and made her grow in health and beauty. And Zakariyya became her guardian. Every time Zakariyya visited her in the Upper Room, he found food with her. He said, ‘Maryam, how did you come by this?’ She said, ‘It is from Allah. Allah provides for whoever He wills without any reckoning.’ (3:37) And when the angels said, ‘Maryam, Allah has chosen you and purified you. He has chosen you over all other women.’ (3:42)

This is news from the Unseen which We reveal to you. You were not with them when they cast their reeds to see which of them would be the guardian of Maryam. You were not with them when they quarrelled. (3:44)

She (Maryam) said, ‘My Lord! How can I have a son when no man has ever touched me?’ He said, ‘It will be so.’ Allah creates whatever He wills. When He decides on something, He just says to it, ‘Be!’ and it is. (3:47)

If anyone argues with you about him after the knowledge that has come to you, say, ‘Come then! Let us summon our sons and your sons, our women and your women, ourselves and yourselves. Then let us make earnest supplication and call down the curse of Allah upon the liars.’ (3:61)

O mankind! Have fear of your Lord Who created you from a single self and created its mate from it and then disseminated many men and women from the two of them. Have fear of Allah in Whose name you make demands on one another and also in respect of your families. Allah watches over you continually. (4:1)

If you are afraid of not behaving justly towards orphans, then marry other permissible women, two, three or four. But if you are afraid of not treating them equally, then only one, or those you own as slaves. That makes it more likely that you will not be unfair. (4:3)

Give women their dowry as an outright gift. But if they are happy to give you some of it, make use of it with pleasure and goodwill. (4:4)

Men receive a share of what their parents and relatives leave and women receive a share of what their parents and relatives leave, a fixed share, no matter whether it is a little or a lot. (4:7) Allah instructs you regarding your children: A male receives the same as the share of two females. If there are more than two daughters they receive two-thirds of what you leave. If she is one on her own she receives a half. Each of your parents receives a sixth of what you leave if you have children. If you are childless and your heirs are your parents your mother receives a third. If you have brothers or sisters your mother receives a sixth, after any bequest you make or any debts. With regard to your fathers and your sons, you do not know which of them is going to benefit you more. These are obligatory shares from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:11)

You receive half of what your wives leave if they are childless. If they have children you receive a quarter of what they leave after any bequest they make or any debts. They receive a quarter of what you leave if you are childless. If you have children they receive an eighth of what you leave after any bequest you make or any debts. If a man or woman has no direct heirs, but has a brother or sister, each of them receives a sixth. If there are more than that they share in a third after any bequest you make or any debts, making sure that no one’s rights are prejudiced. This is an instruction from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Forbearing. (4:12)

If any of your women commit fornication, four of you must be witnesses against them. If they bear witness, detain them in their homes until death releases them or Allah ordains another procedure for their case. (4:15)

You who believe! It is not lawful for you to inherit women by force. Nor may you treat them harshly so that you can make off with part of what you have given them, unless they commit an act of flagrant indecency. Live together with them correctly and courteously. If you dislike them, it may well be that you dislike something in which Allah has placed a lot of good. (4:19)

If you desire to exchange one wife for another and have given your original wife a large

amount, do not take any of it. Would you take it by means of slander and outright crime? How could you take it when you have been intimate with one another and they have made a binding contract with you? (4:20-21)

Do not marry any women your fathers married—except for what may have already taken place. That is an indecent act, a loathsome thing and an evil path. (4:22)

Forbidden for you are: your mothers and your daughters and your sisters, your maternal aunts and your paternal aunts, your brothers' daughters and your sisters' daughters, your foster mothers who have suckled you, your foster sisters by suckling, your wives' mothers, your stepdaughters who are under your protection: the daughters of your wives whom you have had sexual relations with (though if you have not had sexual relations with them there is nothing blameworthy for you in it then), the wives of your sons whom you have fathered, and marrying two sisters at the same time—except for what may have already taken place. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. And also married women, except for those you have taken in war as slaves. This is what Allah has prescribed for you. Apart from that He has made all other women lawful for you provided you seek them with your wealth in marriage and not in fornication. When you consummate your marriage with them give them their prescribed dowry. There is nothing wrong in any further agreement you might come to after the dowry has been given. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (4:23-24)

If any of you do not have the means to marry free women who are believers, you may marry slave-girls who are believers. Allah knows best about your faith; you are all the same in that respect. Marry them with their owners' permission and give them their dowries correctly and courteously as married women, not in fornication or taking them as lovers. When they are married, if they commit fornication they should receive half the punishment of free women. This is for those of you who are afraid of committing fornication. But being patient is better for you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:25)

Do not covet what Allah has given to some of you in preference to others—men have a portion of what they acquire and women have a portion of what they acquire; but ask Allah for His bounty. Allah has knowledge of all things. (4:32) We have appointed heirs for everything that parents and relatives leave. If you have a bond with people, give them their share. Allah is a witness of all things. (4:33)

Men have charge of women because Allah has preferred the one above the other and because they spend their wealth on them. Right-acting women are obedient (to Allah), guarding the unseen as Allah has guarded. If there are women whose disobedience you fear, you may admonish them, refuse to sleep with them, and then beat them. But if they obey you, do not look for a way to punish them. Allah is All-High, Most Great. (4:34)

If you fear a breach between a couple, send an arbiter from his people and an arbiter from her people. If the couple desire to put things right, Allah will bring about a reconciliation between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (4:35)

Worship Allah and do not associate anything with Him. Be good to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to neighbours who are related to you and neighbours who are not related to you, and to companions and travellers and your slaves. Allah does not love anyone vain or boastful. (4:36)

You who believe! Do not approach the prayer when you are drunk, so that you will know what you are saying, nor in a state of major impurity—unless you are travelling—until you have washed yourselves completely. If you are ill or on a journey, or any of you have come from the lavatory or touched women, and you cannot find any water, then take for yourselves clean earth, wiping your faces and your hands. Allah is Ever-Pardoning, Ever-Forgiving. (4:43)

What reason could you have for not fighting in the Way of Allah—for those men, women and children who are oppressed and say, 'Our Lord, take us out of this city whose inhabitants are wrongdoers! Give us a protector from You! Give us a helper from You!'? (4:75)

The angels ask those they take while they are wronging themselves, 'What were your circumstances?' They reply, 'We were oppressed on earth.' They say, 'Was Allah's earth not wide enough for you to have migrated elsewhere in it?' The shelter of such people will be Hell. What an evil destination! Except for those men, women and children who really are oppressed and do not have any other possibility and are not guided to any way. (4:97-98)

Anyone, male or female, who does right actions and is a believer, will enter the Garden. They will not be wronged by so much as the tiniest speck. (4:124)

They request from you a ruling concerning women. Say, 'Allah gives you a ruling about them; and also what is recited to you in the Book about orphan girls to whom you do not give the inheritance they are owed, while at the same time desiring to marry them; and also about young children who are denied their rights: that you should act justly with respect to orphans.' Whatever good you do, Allah knows it. (4:127) If a woman fears cruelty or aversion on her husband's part, there is nothing wrong in the couple becoming reconciled. Reconciliation is better. But people are prone to selfish greed. If you do good and guard against evil, Allah is aware of what you do. (4:128)

You will not be able to be completely fair between your wives, however hard you try. But do not be completely partial so as to leave a wife, as it were, suspended in mid-air. And if you make amends and guard against evil, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:129)

If a couple do separate, Allah will enrich each of them from His boundless wealth. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Wise. (4:130)

They request from you a ruling. Say: 'Allah gives you a ruling about people who die without direct heirs: If a man dies childless but has a sister she receives half of what he leaves, and he is her heir if she dies childless. If there are two sisters they receive two-thirds of what he leaves. If there are brothers and sisters the males receive the share of two females. Allah makes things clear to you so you will not go astray. Allah has knowledge of all

things.' (4:176)

As for thieves, both male and female, cut off their hands in reprisal for what they have done: an object lesson from Allah. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (5:38)

Yet they make the jinn co-partners with Allah when He created them! And they attribute sons and daughters to Him without any knowledge. Glory be to Him! He is far above what they describe! (6:100)

He is the Originator of the heavens and the earth. How could He have a son when He has no wife? He created all things and He has knowledge of all things. (6:101)

They say, 'What is in the wombs of these animals is exclusively for our men and forbidden for our wives. But if it is stillborn, they can share in it.' He will repay them for their false depiction. He is All-Wise, All-Knowing. (6:139)

(Lut said to his people,) 'You come with lust to men instead of women. You are indeed a depraved people.' (7:81)

The ruling circle of Pharaoh's people said, 'Are you going to leave Musa and his people to cause corruption in the earth and abandon you and your gods?' He said, 'We will kill their sons and let their women live. We have absolute power over them!' (7:127)

Remember when We rescued you from Pharaoh's people who were inflicting an evil punishment on you, killing your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord. (7:141)

It is He Who created you from a single self and made from him his spouse so that he might find repose in her. Then when he covered her she bore a light load and carried it around. Then when it became heavy they called on Allah, their Lord, 'If You grant us a healthy child, we will be among the thankful!' (7:189)

Say: 'If your fathers or your sons or your brothers or your wives or your tribe, or any wealth you have acquired, or any business you fear may slump, or any house which pleases you, are dearer to you than Allah and His Messenger and striving in His Way, then wait until Allah brings about His command. Allah does not guide peo-

ple who are deviators.' (9:24)

The men and women of the hypocrites are as bad as one another. They command what is wrong and forbid what is right and keep their fists tightly closed. They have forgotten Allah, so He has forgotten them. The hypocrites are deviators. (9:67) Allah has promised the men and women of the hypocrites and disbelievers the Fire of Hell, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. It will suffice them. Allah has cursed them. They will have everlasting punishment. (9:68)

The men and women of the believers are friends of one another. They command what is right and forbid what is wrong, and perform prayer and give the alms, and obey Allah and His Messenger. They are the people on whom Allah will have mercy. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (9:71)

Allah has promised the men and women of the believers Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and fine dwellings in the Gardens of Eden. And Allah's good pleasure is even greater. That is the great victory. (9:72)

His (Ibrahim's) wife was standing there and she laughed out loud. So We gave her the good news of Ishaq, and beyond Ishaq, Ya'qub. She said, 'Woe is me! How can I give birth when I am an old woman and my husband here is an aged man? This is indeed an astonishing thing!' (11:71-72) The Egyptian who had bought him (Yusuf) told his wife, 'Look after him with honour and respect. It's possible he will be of use to us or perhaps we might adopt him as a son.' And thus We established Yusuf in the land to teach him the true meaning of events. Allah is in control of His affair. However, most of mankind do not know. (12:21) The woman whose house it was solicited him (Yusuf). She barred the doors and said, 'Come over here!' He said, 'Allah is my refuge! He is My lord and has been good to me with where I live. Those who do wrong will surely not succeed.' She wanted him and he would have wanted her, had he not seen the Clear Proof of his Lord. That happened so We might avert from him all evil and lust. He was Our chosen servant. They raced to the door. She tore his shirt at the back. They

met her husband by the door. She said, 'How should a man whose intention was to harm your family be punished for what he did except with prison or painful punishment?' He said, 'It was she who tried to seduce me.' A witness from her people then declared, 'If his shirt is torn in front, she speaks the truth and he has clearly told a shameless lie. If his shirt is torn at the back, then she has lied and he has clearly told the simple truth.' He saw the shirt torn at the back and said, 'The source of this is women's deviousness. Without a doubt your guile is very great. Yusuf, ignore all this, and you, my wife, should ask forgiveness for your evil act. There is no doubt that you are in the wrong.' Some city women said, 'The governor's wife solicited her slave. He's fired her heart with love. We see that she's the one to blame.' But when she heard of their malicious talk, she sent for them and made a sumptuous meal and then she gave a knife to each of them. She said (to Yusuf), 'Go out to them.' When they saw him, they were amazed by him and cut their hands. They said, 'Allah preserve us! This is no man. What can this be but a noble angel here!' She said, 'You see! It's him you blamed me for. I tried seducing him but he refused. If he does not do what I order him, he will be put in prison and brought low.' (12:23-32)

He (Yusuf) raised his parents up onto the throne. The others fell prostrate in front of him. He said, 'My father, truly this is now the interpretation of the dream I had. My Lord has made it all come true; and He was kind to me by letting me out of prison and brought you from the desert when Satan had caused dissent between me and my brothers. My Lord is kind to anyone He wills. He is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise.' (12:100)

Allah knows what every female bears and every shrinking of the womb and every swelling. Everything has its measure with Him. (13:8) Gardens of Eden which they will enter, and all of their parents, wives and children who were righteous. Angels will enter in to welcome them from every gate. (13:23)

We sent Messengers before you and gave them wives and children. Nor was any Messenger able to bring a Sign except by Allah's permission.

There is a prescribed limit to every term. (13:38) Remember when Musa said to his people, 'Remember Allah's blessing to you when He rescued you from the people of Pharaoh. They were inflicting an evil punishment on you, slaughtering your sons and letting your women live. In that there was a terrible trial from your Lord. (14:6)

He (Lut) said, 'Here are my daughters if you are determined to do something.' (15:71)

They allot daughters to Allah—glory be to Him!—while they have what they want! (16:57)

When one of them is given the good news of a baby girl, his face darkens and he is furious. (16:58)

Allah has given you wives from among yourselves, and given you children and grandchildren from your wives, and provided good things for you. So why do they believe in falsehood and reject the blessings of Allah? (16:72)

Allah brought you out of your mothers' wombs knowing nothing at all, and gave you hearing, sight and hearts so that perhaps you would show thanks. (16:78)

Anyone who acts rightly, male or female, being a believer, We will give them a good life and We will recompense them according to the best of what they did. (16:97)

Your Lord has decreed that you should worship none but Him, and that you should show kindness to your parents. Whether one or both of them reach old age with you, do not say 'Ugh!' to them out of irritation and do not be harsh with them but speak to them with gentleness and generosity. (17:23)

(Zakariyya said,) 'I fear my relatives when I am gone and my wife is barren, so give me an heir from You.' (19:5)

And (We gave Yahya) devotion to his parents—he was not insolent or disobedient. (19:14)

Mention Maryam in the Book, how she withdrew from her people to an eastern place, and veiled herself from them. Then We sent Our Spirit to her and it took on for her the form of a handsome, well-built man. She said, 'I seek refuge from you with the All-Merciful if you guard against evil.' He said, 'I am only your Lord's messenger so that

He can give you a pure boy.' She said, 'How can I have a boy when no man has touched me and I am not an unchaste woman?' He said, 'It will be so! Your Lord says, "That is easy for Me. It is so that We can make him a Sign for mankind and a mercy from Us." It is a matter already decreed.' So she conceived him and withdrew with him to a distant place. The pains of labour drove her to the trunk of a date-palm. She said, 'Oh if only I had died before this time and was something discarded and forgotten!' (19:16-23)

She (Maryam) brought him to her people, carrying him. They said, 'Maryam! You have done an unthinkable thing! Sister of Harun, your father was not an evil man nor was your mother an unchaste woman!' She pointed towards him. They said, 'How can a baby in the cradle speak?' (19:27-29)

(Allah said to Musa,) 'When your sister went and said, "Shall I direct you to someone who will take care of him?" that was how We returned you to your mother so that she might delight her eyes and not be grieved. You killed a man and We rescued you from trouble and tested you with many trials. You stayed some years among the people of Madyan. Then you arrived at the pre-ordained time, Musa!' (20:40)

We said, 'Adam, this is an enemy for you and your wife, so do not let him expel you from the Garden and thus make you miserable.' (20:117) So the two of them ate from it and their private parts were disclosed to them and they started stitching together the leaves of the Garden to cover themselves. Adam disobeyed his Lord and became misled. (20:121)

And she (Maryam) who protected her chastity. We breathed into her some of Our Spirit and made her and her son a Sign for all the worlds. (21:91)

And We made the son of Maryam and his mother a Sign and gave them shelter on a mountainside where there was a meadow and a flowing spring. (23:50)

A woman and a man who commit fornication: flog both of them with one hundred lashes and do not let compassion for either of them possess you where Allah's religion is concerned, if you believe in Allah and the Last Day. A number of

believers should witness their punishment. (24:2) A man who has fornicated may only marry a woman who has fornicated or a woman of the idolaters. A woman who has fornicated may only marry a man who has fornicated or a man of the idolaters. Doing such a thing is forbidden for the believers. (24:3)

But those who make accusations against chaste women and then do not produce four witnesses: flog them with eighty lashes and never again accept them as witnesses. Such people are deviators. (24:4)

Those who make an accusation against their wives and have no witnesses except themselves, such people should testify four times by Allah that they are telling the truth and a fifth time that Allah's curse will be upon them if they are lying. And the punishment is removed from her if she testifies four times by Allah that he is lying and a fifth time that Allah's anger will be upon her if he is telling the truth. (24:6-9)

Corrupt women are for corrupt men and corrupt men are for corrupt women, good women are for good men and good men are for good women. The latter are innocent of what they say. They will have forgiveness and generous provision. (24:26)

Say to the believing women that they should lower their eyes and guard their chastity and not display their adornments—except for what normally shows—and draw their head-coverings across their breasts. They should only display their adornments to their husbands or their fathers or their husbands' fathers, or their sons or their husbands' sons or their brothers or their brothers' sons or their sisters' sons or their women or those they own as slaves or their male attendants who have no sexual desire or children who still have no awareness of women's private parts. Nor should they stamp their feet so that their hidden ornaments are known. Turn to Allah every one of you, believers, so that hopefully you will have success. (24:31)

Marry off those among you who are unmarried and those of your slaves and slavegirls who are righteous. If they are poor, Allah will enrich them from His bounty. Allah is All-Encompassing, All-

Knowing. (24:32)

Those who cannot find the means to marry should be abstinent until Allah enriches them from His bounty. If any slaves you own want to make a contract to free themselves, write it for them if you know of good in them and give them some of the wealth Allah has given you. Do not force your slavegirls to prostitute themselves if they desire to be virtuous women out of your desire for the goods of this world. If anyone forces them, then after they have been forced, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:33)

As for women who are past child-bearing age and no longer have any hope of getting married, there is nothing wrong in their removing their outer clothes, provided they do not flaunt their adornments; but to refrain from doing so is better for them. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (24:60)

(Believers are) those who say, 'Our Lord, give us joy in our wives and children and make us a good example for those who guard against evil'. (25:74)

(Lut said to his people,) 'Of all beings, do you lie with males, leaving the wives Allah has created for you? You are a people who have overstepped the limits.' (26:165-166)

Therefore We rescued him (Lut) and all his family—except for an old woman who remained behind. (26:170-171)

She (Queen of Sheba) said, 'Council! Give me your opinion about this matter. It is not my habit to make a final decision until I have heard what you have to say.' (27:32)

Then when she came, she was asked, 'Is your throne like this?' She said, 'It is exactly like it.' 'We were given knowledge before her and were already Muslims, but what she worshipped besides Allah impeded her. She was from an unbelieving people.' She was told: 'Enter the courtyard,' but when she saw it she supposed it to be a pool and bared her legs. He (Sulayman) said, 'It is a courtyard paved with glass.' She said, 'My Lord, I have wronged myself but I have submitted with Sulayman to the Lord of all the worlds.' (27:42-44)

(Lut said to his people,) 'Do you come with lust

to men instead of women? You are a people who are deeply ignorant.' (27:55)

So We rescued him (Lut) and his family—except for his wife. We ordained her to be one of those who stayed behind. (27:57)

We revealed to Musa's mother, 'Suckle him and then when you fear for him cast him into the sea. Do not fear or grieve; We will return him to you and make him one of the Messengers.' (28:7)

The wife of Pharaoh said, 'A source of delight for me and for you; do not kill him. It may well be that he will be of use to us or perhaps we could adopt him as a son.' They were not aware. Musa's mother felt a great emptiness in her heart and she almost gave him away; only We fortified her heart so that she would be one of the believers. She said to his sister, 'Go after him.' And she kept an eye on him from afar and they were not aware. We first made him refuse all wet-nurses, so she said, 'Shall I show you to a household who will feed him for you and be good to him?' That is how We returned him to his mother so that she might delight her eyes and feel no grief and so that she would know that Allah's promise is true. But most of them do not know this. (28:9-13)

We have instructed man to honour his parents, but if they endeavour to make you associate with Me something about which you have no knowledge, do not obey them. It is to Me you will return and I will inform you about the things you did. (29:8)

We have instructed man concerning his parents. Bearing him caused his mother great debility and the period of his weaning was two years: 'Give thanks to Me and to your parents. I am your final destination. But if they try to make you associate something with Me about which you have no knowledge, do not obey them. Keep company with them correctly and courteously in this world but follow the Way of him who turns to Me. Then you will return to Me and I will inform you about the things you did.' (31:14-15)

Allah has not allotted to any man two hearts within his breast, nor has He made those of your wives you equate with your mothers your actual mothers, nor has He made your adopted sons

your actual sons. These are just words coming out of your mouths. But Allah speaks the truth and He guides to the Way. (33:4)

The Prophet is closer to the believers than their own selves, and his wives are their mothers. But blood-relations have closer ties to one another in the Book of Allah than other believers and the emigrants, except that you should act in a proper manner towards your close associates. That is inscribed in the Book. (33:6)

O Prophet, tell your wives: 'If you desire the life of this world and its finery, come and I will give you all you need and release you with kindness. But if you desire Allah and His Messenger and the abode of the hereafter, Allah has prepared an immense reward for those among you who are good-doers.' (33:28-29)

Wives of the Prophet! If any of you commits an obvious act of indecency she will receive double the punishment. That is an easy matter for Allah. But those of you who are obedient to Allah and His Messenger and act rightly will be given their reward twice over; and We have prepared generous provision for them. (33:30-31)

Wives of the Prophet! You are not like other women provided you guard against evil. Do not be too soft-spoken in your speech lest someone with sickness in his heart becomes desirous. Speak correct and courteous words. Remain in your houses and do not display your beauty as it was previously displayed in the Time of Ignorance. Perform prayer and give the alms and obey Allah and His Messenger. Allah desires to remove all impurity from you, People of the House, and to purify you completely. And remember the Signs of Allah and the wise words which are recited in your rooms. Allah is All-Pervading, All-Aware. (33:32-34)

Men and women who are Muslims, men and women who are believers, men and women who are obedient, men and women who are truthful, men and women who are steadfast, men and women who are humble, men and women who give charity, men and women who fast, men and women who guard their chastity, men and women who remember Allah much: Allah has prepared forgiveness for them and an immense

reward. (33:35)

When Allah and His Messenger have decided something it is not for any man or woman of the believers to have a choice about it. Anyone who disobeys Allah and His Messenger is clearly misguided. (33:36)

When you said to him whom Allah has blessed and you yourself have greatly favoured, 'Keep your wife to yourself and have fear of Allah,' while concealing something in yourself which Allah wished to bring to light, you were fearing people when Allah has more right to your fear. Then when Zayd divorced her We married her to you so that there should be no restriction for the believers regarding the wives of their adopted sons when they have divorced them. Allah's command is always carried out. (33:37)

You who believe! When you marry believing women and then divorce them before you have touched them, there is no waiting period for you to calculate for them, so give them a gift and let them go with kindness. (33:49)

O Prophet! We have made lawful for you: your wives to whom you have given dowries and any slavegirls you own from the booty Allah has allotted you and the daughters of your paternal uncles and the daughters of your paternal aunts and the daughters of your maternal uncles and the daughters of your maternal aunts who have migrated with you and any believing woman who gives herself to the Prophet if the Prophet desires to marry her: exclusively for you as opposed to the rest of the believers—We know very well what We have prescribed for them regarding their wives and any slavegirls they possess—in order that there be no restriction on you. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:50)

You may refrain from any of them you will and keep close to you any of them you will. And if you desire any you have left alone, there is nothing wrong in that. This makes it more likely they will be comforted and not be grieved, and all of them will be content with what you give them. Allah knows what is in your hearts. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Forbearing. (33:51)

After that no other women are lawful for you nor may you exchange them for other wives, even

though their beauty might be pleasing to you, with the exception of any you own as slaves. Allah is watchful over all things. (33:52)

They incur no blame in respect of their fathers or their sons or their brothers or their brothers' or sisters' sons, or their women or any slaves they own. Have fear of Allah. Allah is witness of all things. (33:55)

And those who abuse men and women who are believers, when they have not merited it, bear the weight of slander and clear wrongdoing. (33:58)

O Prophet! Tell your wives and daughters and the women of the believers to draw their outer garments closely round themselves. This makes it more likely that they will be recognised and not be harmed. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:59)

This was so that Allah might punish the men and women of the hypocrites, and the men and women of the idolaters, and turn towards the men and women of the believers. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (33:73)

Allah created you from dust and then from a drop of sperm and then made you into pairs. No female becomes pregnant or gives birth except with His knowledge. And no living thing lives long or has its life cut short without that being in a Book. That is easy for Allah. (35:11)

The Companions of the Garden are busy enjoying themselves today, they and their wives reclining on couches in the shade. (36:55-56)

There will be dark-eyed maidens with them, with eyes reserved for them alone, just like closely guarded pearls. (37:48-49)

When We rescued him (Lut) and all his family—except an old woman among those who stayed behind. (37:134-135)

So inquire of them: does your Lord have daughters while they themselves have sons? (37:149)

Has He chosen daughters over sons? (37:153)

He created you from a single self, then produced its mate from it, and sent down livestock to you—eight kinds in pairs. He creates you stage by stage in your mothers' wombs in a threefold darkness. That is Allah, your Lord. Sovereignty is His. There is no god but Him. So what has made

you deviate? (39:6)

(Angels ask forgiveness for believers,) 'Our Lord, admit them to the Gardens of Eden You have promised them, and all of their parents, wives and children who acted rightly. Truly You are the Almighty, the All-Wise.' (40:8)

When he (Musa) brought them the truth from Us they said, 'Slaughter the sons of those who believe with him but let their women live.' The stratagems of the disbelievers are nothing but errors. (40:25)

Has He then taken daughters from what He has created and chosen sons for you? (43:16)

When any of them is given the good news of the very thing which he himself has ascribed to the All-Merciful, his face darkens and he is furious. 'What! Someone brought up among pretty trinkets who cannot produce a cogent argument!' (43:17-18)

We have instructed man to be good to his parents. His mother bore him with difficulty and with difficulty gave birth to him; and his bearing and weaning take thirty months. Then when he achieves his full strength and reaches forty, he says, 'My Lord, keep me thankful for the blessing You bestowed on me and on my parents, and keep me acting rightly, pleasing You. And make my descendants righteous. I have repented to You and I am truly one of the Muslims.' (46:15)

But what of him who says to his parents, 'Fie on you! Do you promise me that I will be resurrected when generations before me have passed away?' They both call on Allah for help: 'Woe to you! Believe! Allah's promise is true.' But he says, 'This is nothing but the myths of previous peoples.' (46:17)

(It is) so that He may admit the men and women of the believers into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever, and erase their bad actions from them; and in Allah's sight that is a mighty victory. And so that He might punish the men and women of the hypocrites and the men and women of the idolaters--those who think bad thoughts about Allah. They will suffer an evil turn of fate. Allah is angry with them, and has cursed them and prepared Hell for them. What an evil destination! (48:5-6)

You who believe! People should not ridicule others who may be better than themselves; nor should any women ridicule other women who may be better than themselves. And do not find fault with one another or insult each other with derogatory nicknames. How evil it is to have a name for evil conduct after coming to faith! Those people who do not turn from it are wrong-doers. (49:11)

Mankind! We created you from a male and female, and made you into peoples and tribes so that you might come to know each other. The noblest among you in Allah's sight is the one of you who best performs his duty. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (49:13)

His (Ibrahim's) wife came up with a shriek and struck her face and said, 'What, and me a barren old woman!' (51:29)

They will recline on couches ranged in rows and We will marry them to dark-eyed maidens. (52:20)

(Has he not been informed) that He created the two sexes--male and female? (53:45)

On the Day you see the men and women of the believers, with their light streaming out in front of them, and to their right: 'Good news for you today of Gardens with rivers flowing under them, remaining in them timelessly, for ever. That is the Great Victory.' (57:12)

The men and women who give charity and make a good loan to Allah will have it increased for them and they will have a generous reward. (57:18)

You who believe! When women who believe come to you as emigrants, submit them to a test. Allah has best knowledge of their faith. If you know they are believers, do not return them to the disbelievers. They are not lawful for the disbelievers nor are the disbelievers lawful for them. Give the disbelievers whatever dowry they paid. And there is nothing wrong in your marrying them provided you pay them their due. Do not hold to any marriage ties with women who disbelieve. Ask for what you paid and let them ask for what they paid. That is Allah's judgement. Allah will judge between them. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. (60:10)

If any of your wives rejoin the disbelievers, you should have compensation. So repay to those whose wives have gone the dowry they paid out. Have fear of Allah–Him in Whom you believe. (60:11)

O Prophet! When women who believe come to you pledging allegiance to you on the grounds that they will not associate anything with Allah or steal or fornicate or kill their children or give a false ascription of paternity–making up lies about their bodies–or disobey you in respect of anything right, then accept their pledge and ask forgiveness for them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (60:12)

O Prophet! When any of you divorce women, divorce them during their period of purity and calculate their waiting period carefully. And have fear of Allah, your Lord. Do not evict them from their homes, nor should they leave, unless they commit an outright indecency. Those are Allah's limits, and anyone who oversteps Allah's limits has wronged himself. You never know, it may well be that after that Allah will cause a new situation to develop. (65:1)

Then when they have reached the end of their waiting period either retain them with correctness and courtesy or part from them with correctness and courtesy. Call two upright men from among yourselves as witnesses and they should carry out the witnessing for Allah. This is admonishment for all who believe in Allah and the Last Day. Whoever has fear of Allah–He will give him a way out. (65:2)

In the case of those of your wives who are past the age of menstruation, if you have any doubt, their waiting period should be three months, and that also applies to those who have not yet menstruated. The time for women who are pregnant is when they give birth. Whoever has fear of Allah–He will make matters easy for him. (65:4) Let them live where you live, according to your means. Do not put pressure on them, so as to harass them. If they are pregnant, maintain them until they give birth. If they are suckling for you, give them their wages and consult together with correctness and courtesy. But if you make things difficult for one another, another woman should

do the suckling for you. (65:6)

He who has plenty should spend out from his plenty, but he whose provision is restricted should spend from what Allah has given him. Allah does not demand from any self more than He has given it. Allah will appoint after difficulty, ease. (65:7)

O Prophet! Why do you make forbidden what Allah has made lawful for you, seeking to please your wives? Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (66:1)

The Prophet confided a certain matter to one of his wives, then when she divulged it Allah disclosed that to him, and he communicated part of it and withheld part of it. When he told her of it, she said, 'Who told you of this?' He said, 'The All-Knowing and All-Aware informed me of it.' (66:3)

If the two of you (Prophet's wives) would only turn to Allah, for your hearts clearly deviated... But if you support one another against him, Allah is his Protector and so are Gabriel and every right-acting man of the believers and, furthermore, the angels too will come to his support. (66:4)

It may be that if he does divorce you, his Lord will give him in exchange better wives than you: Muslim women, believing women, obedient women, penitent women, women who worship, women who fast much–previously married women as well as virgins. (66:5)

Allah has made an example for those who disbelieve: the wife of Nuh and the wife of Lut. They were married to two of Our servants who were righteous but they betrayed them and were not helped at all against Allah. They were told, 'Enter the Fire along with all who enter it.' (66:10)

Allah has made an example for those who believe: the wife of Pharaoh when she said, 'My Lord, build a house in the Garden for me in Your presence and rescue me from Pharaoh and his deeds and rescue me from this wrongdoing people.' (66:11)

And Maryam, the daughter of 'Imran, who guarded her chastity–We breathed Our Spirit into her and she confirmed the Words of her Lord and His Book and was one of the obedient. (66:12)

(Nuh said,) 'My Lord! Forgive me and my parents and all who enter my house as believers, and all the men and women of the believers. But do not increase the wrongdoers except in ruin!' (71:28) And (there are) nubile maidens of similar age (for those who guard against evil). (78:33)

When the baby girl buried alive is asked. (81:8) Those who persecute men and women of the believers, and then do not repent, will have the punishment of Hell, will have the punishment of the Burning. (85:10)

And (say: 'I seek refuge with the Lord of Daybreak) from the evil of women who blow on knots.' (113:4)

## WOOL

Allah has made your houses places of rest for you and made houses for you out of cattle hides which are light for you to carry both when you are travelling and when you are staying in one place. And from their wool and fur and hair you obtain clothing and carpets and household utensils for a time. (16:80)

On the Day the sky is like molten brass and the mountains like tufts of coloured wool. (70:8-9) It is the Day when mankind will be like scattered moths and the mountains like tufts of coloured wool. (101:4-5)

## WORLD, THE (DUNYA)

Then you are the people who are killing one another and expelling a group among you from their homes, ganging up against them in wrongdoing and enmity. Yet if they are brought to you as captives, you ransom them, when it was forbidden for you to expel them in the first place! Do you, then, believe in one part of the Book and reject the other? What repayment will there be for any of you who do that except disgrace in this world? And on the Day of Rising, they will be returned to the harshest of punishments. Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:85)

Those are the people who trade the hereafter for this world. The punishment will not be lightened for them. They will not be helped. (2:86)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who bars access to the mosques of Allah, preventing

His name from being remembered in them, and goes about destroying them? Such people will never be able to enter them—except in fear. They will have disgrace in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (2:114) Who would deliberately renounce the religion of Ibrahim except someone who reveals himself to be a fool? We chose him in this world and in the hereafter he will be one of the righteous. (2:130) When you have completed your rites, remember Allah as you used to remember your forefathers—or even more. There are some people who say, 'Our Lord, give us good in this world.' They will have no share in the hereafter. (2:200)

And there are others who say, 'Our Lord, give us good in this world, and good in the hereafter, and safeguard us from the punishment of the Fire.' (2:201)

Among the people there is someone whose words about the life of this world excite your admiration, and he calls Allah to witness what is in his heart, while he is in fact the most hostile of adversaries. (2:204)

To those who disbelieve, the life of this world is painted in glowing colours and they laugh at those who believe. But on the Day of Rising those who fear Allah will be over them. Allah provides for whoever He wills without any reckoning. (2:212)

They will ask you about the Sacred Month and fighting in it. Say, 'Fighting in it is a serious matter; but barring access to the Way of Allah and rejecting Him and barring access to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) and expelling its people from it are far more serious in the sight of Allah. Discord is worse than killing.' They will not stop fighting you until they make you revert from your religion, if they are able. As for any of you who revert from their religion and die disbelievers, their actions will come to nothing in this world and the hereafter. They are the Companions of the Fire, remaining in it timelessly, for ever. (2:217)

They will ask you about alcoholic drinks and gambling. Say, 'There is great wrong in both of them and also certain benefits for mankind. But the wrong in them is greater than the benefit.'

They will ask you what they should give away. Say, 'Whatever is surplus to your needs.' In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect on this world and the hereafter. They will ask you about the property of orphans. Say, 'Managing it in their best interests is best.' If you mix your property with theirs, they are your brothers. Allah knows a squanderer from a good manager. If Allah had wanted, He could have been hard on you. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (2:219-220)

To mankind the love of worldly appetites is painted in glowing colours: women and children, and heaped-up mounds of gold and silver, and horses with fine markings, and livestock and fertile farmland. All that is merely the enjoyment of the life of this world. The best homecoming is in the presence of Allah. (3:14)

They are the ones whose actions come to nothing in this world or the hereafter. They will have no helpers. (3:22)

When the angels said, 'Maryam, your Lord gives you good news of a Word from Him. His name is the Messiah, 'Isa, son of Maryam, of high esteem in this world and the hereafter, and one of those brought near.' (3:45)

(Allah said,) 'As for those who disbelieve, I will punish them with a harsh punishment in this world and the hereafter. They will have no helpers.' (3:56)

The metaphor of what they spend in their life in this world is that of a wind with an icy bite to it which strikes the crops of a people who have wronged themselves and destroys them. Allah did not wrong them; rather it was themselves they were wronging. (3:117)

No self can die except with Allah's permission, at a predetermined time. If anyone desires the reward of this world, We will give him some of it. If anyone desires the reward of the hereafter, We will give him some of it. We will recompense the thankful. (3:145)

So Allah gave them the reward of this world and the best reward of the hereafter. Allah loves good-doers. (3:148)

Allah fulfilled His promise to you when you were slaughtering them by His permission. But then

you faltered, disputing the command, and disobeyed after He showed you what you love. Among you are those who want this world and among you are those who want the hereafter. Then He turned you from them in order to test you—but He has pardoned you. Allah shows favour to the believers. (3:152)

Every self will taste death. You will be paid your wages in full on the Day of Rising. Anyone who is distanced from the Fire and admitted to the Garden has triumphed. The life of this world is just the enjoyment of delusion. (3:185)

So let those who sell the life of this world for the hereafter fight in the Way of Allah. If someone fights in the Way of Allah, whether he is killed or is victorious, We will pay him an immense reward. (4:74)

Do you not see those who were told: 'Hold back from fighting but perform prayer and give the alms'? Then when fighting is prescribed for them, a group of them fear people as Allah should be feared, or even more than that. They say, 'Our Lord, why have you prescribed fighting for us? If only You would give us just a little more time!' Say, 'The enjoyment of this world is very brief. The hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. You will not be wronged by so much as the smallest speck.' (4:77)

You who believe! When you go out to fight in the Way of Allah verify things carefully. Do not say, 'You are not a believer', to someone who greets you as a Muslim, simply out of desire for the goods of this world. With Allah there is booty in abundance. That is the way you were before but Allah has been kind to you. So verify things carefully. Allah is aware of what you do. (4:94)

Here you are arguing on their behalf in this world, but who will argue with Allah on their behalf on the Day of Rising? Who will act as guardian for them then? (4:109)

If anyone desires the reward of this world, the reward of both this world and hereafter is with Allah. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Seeing. (4:134)

The reprisal against those who wage war on Allah and His Messenger, and go about the earth corrupting it, is that they should be killed or crucified, or have their alternate hands and feet cut

off, or be banished from the land. That will be their degradation in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (5:33) O Messenger! Do not be grieved by those who rush headlong into disbelief among those who say 'We believe' with their tongues when their hearts contain no faith. And among the Jews are those who listen to lies, listening to other people who have not come to you, distorting words from their proper meanings, saying, 'If you are given this, then take it. If you are not given it, then beware!' If Allah desires misguidance for someone, you cannot help him against Allah in any way. Those are the people whose hearts Allah does not want to purify. They will have disgrace in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (5:41)

The life of this world is nothing but a game and a diversion. The hereafter is better for those who guard against evil. So will you not use your intellect? (6:32)

Abandon those who have turned their religion into a game and a diversion and who have been deluded by the life of this world. Remind by it lest a person is delivered up to destruction for what he has earned with no protector or intercessor besides Allah. Were he to offer every kind of compensation, it would not be accepted from him. Such people are delivered up to destruction for what they have earned. They will have scalding water to drink and a painful punishment because they disbelieved. (6:70)

Company of jinn and men! Did not Messengers come to you from among yourselves relating My Signs to you and warning you of the encounter of this Day of yours? They will say, 'We testify against ourselves.' The life of this world deluded them and they will testify against themselves that they were disbelievers. (6:130)

Say: 'Who has forbidden the fine clothing Allah has produced for His servants and the good kinds of provision?' Say: 'On the Day of Rising such things will be exclusively for those who believed during their life in this world.' In this way We make the Signs clear for people who know. (7:32)

(Companions of the Garden will say,

'Disbelievers are) those who took their religion as a diversion and a game, and were deluded by the life of this world.' Today We will forget them just as they forgot the encounter of this Day and denied Our Signs. (7:51)

As for those who adopted the Calf, anger from their Lord will overtake them together with abasement in the life of this world. That is how we repay the purveyors of falsehood. (7:152)

(Musa said,) 'Prescribe good for us in this world and the hereafter. We have truly turned to You.' He said, 'As for My punishment, I strike with it anyone I will. My mercy extends to all things but I will prescribe it for those who guard against evil and give the alms, and those who believe in Our Signs.' (7:156)

It is not fitting for a Prophet to take captives until he has thoroughly subdued the land. You desire the goods of this world, whereas Allah desires the hereafter. Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. (8:67) You who believe! What is the matter with you that when you are told, 'Go out and fight in the way of Allah,' you sink down heavily to the earth? Are you happier with this world than the hereafter? Yet the enjoyment of this world is very small compared to that of the hereafter. (9:38)

Do not let their wealth and children impress you. Allah merely wants to punish them by them during their life in this world and for them to expire while they are disbelievers. (9:55)

Like those before you who had greater strength than you and more wealth and children. They enjoyed their portion; so enjoy your portion as those before you enjoyed theirs. You have plunged into defamation as they plunged into it. The actions of such people come to nothing in this world or the hereafter. They are the lost. (9:69)

They swear by Allah that they said nothing, but they definitely spoke the word of disbelief and returned to disbelief after their Islam. They planned something which they did not achieve and they were vindictive for no other cause than that Allah and His Messenger had enriched them from His bounty. If they were to repent, it would be better for them. But if they turn away, Allah will punish them with a painful punishment in this world and the hereafter, and they will not

find any protector or helper on the earth. (9:74) Do not let their wealth and their children impress you. Allah merely wants to punish them by them in this world, and for them to expire while they are disbelievers. (9:85)

As for those who do not expect to meet Us and are content with the life of this world and at rest in it, and those who are heedless of Our Signs, their shelter will be the Fire because of what they earned. (10:7-8)

But then, when He does rescue them, they become rebellious in the earth without any right to do so. Mankind, your rebelliousness is only against yourselves. There is the enjoyment of the life of this world and then you will return to Us and We will inform you about what you did. (10:23)

The metaphor of the life of this world is that of water which We send down from the sky, and which then mingles with the plants of the earth to provide food for both people and animals. Then, when the earth is at its loveliest and takes on its fairest guise and its people think they have it under their control, Our command comes upon it by night or day and We reduce it to dried-out stubble, as though it had not been flourishing just the day before! In this way We make Our Signs clear for people who reflect. (10:24)

Those who believe and have done their duty, there is good news for them in the life of this world and in the hereafter. There is no changing the words of Allah. That is the great victory! (10:63-64)

There is the enjoyment of this world. Then they will return to Us. Then We will let them taste the terrible punishment because they disbelieved. (10:70)

Musa said, 'Our Lord, You have given Pharaoh and his ruling circle finery and wealth in the life of this world, Our Lord, so that they may be misguided from Your Way. Our Lord, obliterate their wealth and harden their hearts so that they do not believe until they see the painful punishment.' (10:88)

How is it that there has never been a city that believed, whose faith then brought it benefit, except the people of Yunus? When they believed

We removed from them the punishment of disgrace in the life of this world and We let them have enjoyment for a time. (10:98)

As for those who desire the life of this world and its finery, We will give them full payment in it for their actions. They will not be deprived here of their due. (11:15).

They were pursued by a curse in this world and on the Day of Rising. Yes indeed! 'Ad rejected their Lord, so away with 'Ad, the people of Hud! (11:60)

They are pursued by a curse in this world and on the Day of Rising. What an evil gift to be given! (11:99)

(Yusuf said,) 'My Lord, You have granted power to me on earth and taught me the true meaning of events. Originator of the heavens and earth, You are my Friend in this world and the Next. So take me as a Muslim at my death and join me to the people who are righteous.' (12:101)

Allah expands provision to anyone He wills and restricts it. They rejoice in the life of this world. Yet the life of this world, compared to the hereafter, is only fleeting enjoyment. (13:26)

They will receive punishment in the life of this world and the punishment of the hereafter is harsher still. They have no defender against Allah. (13:34)

Those who prefer the life of this world to the hereafter, and bar access to the way of Allah, seeking in it something crooked; they are greatly misguided. (14:3)

Allah makes those who believe firm with the Firm Word in the life of this world and the hereafter. But Allah misguides the wrongdoers. Allah does whatever He wills. (14:27)

He (Satan) said, 'My Lord, because You misled me, I will make things on the earth seem good to them and I will mislead them all, every one of them.' (15:39)

When those who have fear of Allah are asked, 'What has your Lord sent down?' their reply is, 'Good!' There is good in this world for those who do good, and the abode of the hereafter is even better. How wonderful is the abode of those who guard against evil. (16:30)

As for those who migrate for Allah's sake after

being wronged, We shall give them good lodging in this world, and the reward of the hereafter is greater still if they only knew. (16:41)

That is because they prefer the life of this world to the hereafter and because Allah does not guide disbelieving people. (16:107)

We gave him good in this world and in the hereafter he will be one of the righteous. (16:122)

As for anyone who desires this fleeting existence, We hasten in it whatever We will to whoever We want. Then We will consign him to Hell where he will roast, reviled and driven out. (17:18)

Those who are blind in this world will be blind in the hereafter and even further off the Path. (17:72)

Restrain yourself patiently with those who call on their Lord morning and evening, desiring His face. Do not turn your eyes from them, desiring the attractions of this world. And do not obey someone whose heart We have made neglectful of Our remembrance and who follows his own whims and desires and whose life has transgressed all bounds. (18:28)

Make a metaphor for them of the life of this world. It is like water which We send down from the sky and the plants of the earth combine with it but then become dry chaff scattered by the winds. Allah has absolute power over everything. (18:45)

Wealth and sons are the embellishment of the life of this world. But, in your Lord's sight, right actions which are lasting bring a better reward and are a better basis for hope. (18:46)

Say: 'Shall I inform you of the greatest losers in their actions? People whose efforts in the life of this world are misguided while they suppose that they are doing good.' (18:103-104)

They (magicians) said (to Pharaoh), 'We will never prefer you to the Clear Signs which have come to us nor to Him Who brought us into being. Decide on any judgment you like. Your jurisdiction only covers the life of this world.' (20:72)

Do not direct your eyes longingly to what We have given certain of them to enjoy, the flower of the life of this world, so that We can test them by it. Your Lord's provision is better and longer last-

ing. (20:131)

He (Musa) said, 'Go! In this world you will have to say, "Untouchable!" And you have an appointment which you will not fail to keep. Look at your god to which you devoted so much time. We will burn it up and then scatter it as dust into the sea.' (20:97)

Among the people there is one who worships Allah right on the edge. If good befalls him, he is content with it, but if a trial befalls him, he reverts to his former ways, losing both this world and the hereafter. That is indeed sheer loss. (22:11)

Anyone who thinks that Allah will not help him in this world and the hereafter should stretch a rope up to the ceiling and then cut (it) off. Let him see whether his stratagem gets rid of what enrages him! (22:15)

The ruling circle of his people—those who disbelieved and denied the encounter of the hereafter and whom We had given opulence in this world—said, 'This is nothing but a human being like yourselves who eats what you eat and drinks what you drink.' (23:33)

(They said,) 'What is there but our life in this world? We die and we live and we will not be raised again.' (23:37)

Were it not for Allah's favour to you and His mercy, both in this world and the hereafter, a terrible punishment would have afflicted you for your plunging headlong into it. (24:14)

People who love to see filth being spread about concerning those who believe will have a painful punishment both in this world and the hereafter. Allah knows and you do not know. (24:19)

Those who accuse chaste believing women, unaware (of the evil), are cursed both in this world and the hereafter, and they will have a terrible punishment. (24:23)

Those who cannot find the means to marry should be abstinent until Allah enriches them from His bounty. If any slaves you own want to make a contract to free themselves, write it for them if you know of good in them and give them some of the wealth Allah has given you. Do not force your slavegirls to prostitute themselves if they desire to be virtuous women out of your de-

sire for the goods of this world. If anyone forces them, then after they have been forced, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (24:33)

We pursued them with a curse in this world and on the Day of Rising they will be hideous and spurned. (28:42)

Anything you have been given is only the enjoyment of the life of this world and its finery. What is with Allah is better and longer lasting. So will you not use your intellect? (28:60)

Is someone whom We have promised good and who then obtains it, the same as someone whom We have given enjoyment in the life of this world and who then, on the Day of Rising, is one of those brought to punishment? (28:61)

He is Allah. There is no god but Him. Praise be to Him in this world and the hereafter. Judgement belongs to Him. You will be returned to Him. (28:70)

(His people said to Qarun,) ‘Seek the abode of the hereafter with what Allah has given you, without forgetting your portion of this world. And do good as Allah has been good to you. And do not seek to cause corruption in the earth. Allah does not love corrupters.’ (28:77)

He went out among his people in his finery. Those who desired the life of this world said, ‘Oh! If only we had the same as Qarun has been given! What immense good fortune he possesses.’ (28:79)

He (Ibrahim) said, ‘You have adopted idols apart from Allah as tokens of mutual affection in this world. But then on the Day of Rising you will reject one another and curse one another. The Fire will be your shelter. You will have no helpers.’ (29:25)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya’qub and placed Prophethood and the Book among his progeny. We gave him his reward in this world and in the hereafter he will be among the righteous. (29:27) The life of this world is nothing but a game and a diversion. The abode of the hereafter—that is truly Life if they only knew. (29:64)

They know an outward aspect of the life of this world but are heedless of the hereafter. (30:7)

(We have instructed man concerning his parents:) ‘But if they try to make you associate some-

thing with Me about which you have no knowledge, do not obey them. Keep company with them correctly and courteously in this world but follow the Way of him who turns to Me. Then you will return to Me and I will inform you about the things you did.’ (31:15)

Mankind! Have fear of your Lord and fear a day when no father will be able to atone for his son, or son for his father, in any way. Allah’s promise is true. So do not let the life of this world delude you and do not let the Deluder delude you concerning Allah. (31:33)

O Prophet, tell your wives: ‘If you desire the life of this world and its finery, come and I will give you all you need and release you with kindness.’ (33:28)

As for those who abuse Allah and His Messenger, Allah’s curse is on them in this world and the hereafter. He has prepared a humiliating punishment for them. (33:57)

Mankind! Allah’s promise is true. Do not let the life of this world delude you and do not let the Deluder delude you about Allah. (35:5)

Say: ‘Servants of Mine who believe! Have fear of your Lord. For those who do good in this world there is good and Allah’s earth is spacious. The steadfast will be paid their wages in full without any reckoning.’ (39:10)

So Allah made them taste disgrace in the life of this world and the punishment of the hereafter is far worse if they only knew. (39:26)

(The man who believed said,) ‘My people! The life of this world is only fleeting enjoyment. It is the hereafter which is the abode of permanence.’ (40:39)

(The man who believed said,) ‘There is no question that what you call me to has no foundation either in this world or the hereafter, that our return is to Allah, and that the profligate will be Companions of the Fire.’ (40:43)

We will certainly help Our Messengers and those who believe both in the life of this world and on the Day the witnesses appear. (40:51)

So We sent a howling wind against them on disastrous ill-fated days to make them taste the punishment of degradation in this world. And the punishment of the hereafter is even more degrad-

ing. And they will not be helped. (41:16)

We are your protectors in the life of this world and the hereafter. You will have there all that your selves could wish for. You will have there everything you demand. (41:31)

If anyone desires to cultivate the hereafter, We will increase him in his cultivation. If anyone desires to cultivate this world, We will give him some of it but he will have no share in the hereafter. (42:20)

Whatever you have been given is only the enjoyment of the life of this world. What is with Allah is better and longer lasting for those who believe and trust in their Lord. (42:36)

Is it, then, they who allocate the mercy of your Lord? We have allocated their livelihood among them in the life of this world and raised some of them above others in rank so that some of them are subservient to others. But the mercy of your Lord is better than anything they amass. (43:32) Were it not that mankind might all become one community, We would have given those who reject the All-Merciful silver roofs to their houses and silver stairways to ascend and silver doors to their houses and silver couches on which to recline, and gold ornaments. All that is merely the trappings of the life of this world. But the hereafter with your Lord is for those who guard against evil. (43:33-35)

They say, 'There is nothing but our existence in this world. We die and we live and nothing destroys us except for time.' They have no knowledge of that. They are only conjecturing. (45:24) (Disbelievers will be told,) 'That is because you made a mockery of Allah's Signs and the life of this world deluded you.' Therefore, today they will not get out of it. They will not be able to appease Allah. (45:35)

The life of this world is merely a game and a diversion. If you believe and guard against evil, He will pay you your wages and not ask you for all your wealth. (47:36)

So turn away from him who turns away from Our remembrance and desires nothing but the life of this world. (53:29)

Know that the life of this world is merely a game and a diversion and ostentation and a cause of

boasting among yourselves and trying to outdo one another in wealth and children: like the plant-growth after rain which delights the cultivators, but then it withers and you see it turning yellow, and then it becomes broken stubble. In the hereafter there is terrible punishment but also forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure. The life of this world is nothing but the enjoyment of delusion. (57:20)

If Allah had not prescribed banishment for them, He would have punished them in this world. But in the hereafter they will have the punishment of the Fire. (59:3)

So Allah made an example of him seizing him with punishment in this world and the hereafter. (79:25)

As for him who overstepped the bounds and preferred the life of this world, the Blazing Fire will be his refuge. (79:37-39)

Yet still you prefer the life of this world when the hereafter is better and longer lasting. (87:16-17)

The Last will be better for you than the First. (93:4)

## **WORM**

Then when We decreed that he (Sulayman) should die, nothing divulged his death to them except the worm which ate his staff; so that when he fell down it was made clear to the jinn that if they had truly had knowledge of the Unseen they need not have stayed there suffering humiliating punishment. (34:14)

They will say, 'Are we to be restored to how we were? When we have become perished, worm-eaten bones?' (79:10-11)

## **WORSHIP**

You alone we worship. You alone we ask for help. (1:4)

Mankind! Worship your Lord, Who created you and those before you, so that hopefully you will guard against evil. (2:21)

Remember when We made a covenant with the tribe of Israel: 'Worship none but Allah and be good to your parents and to relatives and orphans and the very poor. And speak good words to people. And perform prayer and give the

alms.' But then you turned away—except a few of you—you turned aside. (2:83)

(Ibrahim said,) 'Our Lord, make us both Muslims submitted to You, and our descendants a Muslim community submitted to You. Show us our rites of worship and turn towards us. You are the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful.' (2:128)

Or were you present when death came to Ya'qub and he said to his sons, 'What will you worship when I have gone?' They said, 'We will worship your God, the God of your forefathers, Ibrahim, Isma'il and Ishaq—one God. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:133)

The colouring of Allah—and what colouring could be better than Allah's? It is Him we worship. (2:138)

You who believe! Eat of the good things We have provided for you and give thanks to Allah if you worship Him alone. (2:172)

('Isa will say,) 'Allah is my Lord and your Lord so worship Him. That is a straight path.' (3:51)

Say, 'People of the Book! Come to a proposition which is the same for us and you—that we should worship none but Allah and not associate any partners with Him and not take one another as lords besides Allah.' If they turn away, say, 'Bear witness that we are Muslims.' (3:64)

It is not right for any human being that Allah should give him the Book and Judgement and Prophethood, and then that he should say to people, 'Be worshippers of me rather than Allah.' Rather he will say, 'Be people of the Lord because of your knowledge of the Book and because you study.' (3:79)

Worship Allah and do not associate anything with Him. Be good to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to neighbours who are related to you and neighbours who are not related to you, and to companions and travellers and your slaves. Allah does not love anyone vain or boastful. (4:36)

The Messiah would never disdain to be a servant to Allah nor would the angels near to Him. If any do disdain to worship Him, and grow arrogant, He will in any case gather them all to Him. (4:172)

Say: 'Shall I tell you of a reward with Allah far

worse than that: that of those whom Allah has cursed and with whom He is angry—turning some of them into monkeys and into pigs—and who worshipped false gods? Such people are in a worse situation and further from the right way.' (5:60)

Those who say that the Messiah, son of Maryam, is Allah are disbelievers. The Messiah said, 'Tribe of Israel! Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord. If anyone associates anything with Allah, Allah has forbidden him the Garden and his refuge will be the Fire.' The wrongdoers will have no helpers. (5:72)

Say: 'Do you worship, besides Allah, something which has no power to harm or help you when Allah is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing?' (5:76)

('Isa will say,) 'I said to them nothing but what You ordered me to say: "Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord." I was a witness against them as long as I remained among them, but when You took me back to You, You were the One watching over them. You are Witness of all things.' (5:117)

Say: 'I am forbidden to worship those you call upon besides Allah.' Say: 'I do not follow your whims and desires. If I did I would go astray and not be among the guided.' (6:56)

That is Allah, your Lord. There is no god but Him, the Creator of everything. So worship Him. He is responsible for everything. (6:102)

We sent Nuh to his people and he said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. I fear for you the punishment of a dreadful Day.' (7:59)

And to 'Ad We sent their brother Hud, who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. So will you not guard against evil?' (7:65)

They said, 'Have you come to us to make us worship Allah alone and abandon what our fathers used to worship? Then bring us what you have promised us if you are telling the truth.' (7:70)

And to Thamud We sent their brother Salih, who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. A Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord. This is the She-Camel of Allah as a Sign for you. Leave her alone to eat on

Allah's earth and do not harm her in any way or a painful punishment will afflict you.' (7:73)  
And to Madyan We sent their brother Shu'ayb who said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no other god than Him. A Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord. Give full measure and full weight. Do not diminish people's goods. Do not cause corruption in the land after it has been put right. That is better for you if you are believers.' (7:85)

Those who are in the presence of your Lord do not consider themselves too great to worship Him. They glorify His praise and they prostrate to Him. (7:206)

They have taken their rabbis and monks as lords besides Allah, and also the Messiah, son of Maryam. Yet they were commanded to worship only one God. There is no god but Him! Glory be to Him above anything they associate with Him! (9:31)

Those who repent, those who worship, those who praise, those who fast, those who bow, those who prostrate, those who command the right, those who forbid the wrong, those who preserve the limits of Allah: give good news to the believers. (9:112)

Your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then established Himself firmly on the Throne. He directs the whole affair. No one can intercede except with His permission. That is Allah your Lord, so worship Him. Will you not pay heed? (10:3)

They worship, instead of Allah, what can neither harm them nor help them, saying, 'These are our intercessors with Allah.' Say: 'Would you inform Allah of something about which He does not know either in the heavens or on the earth?' May He be glorified and exalted above what they associate with Him! (10:18)

On the Day We gather them all together, We will say then to those who associated others with Allah, 'To your place, you and your partner-gods!' Then We will sift them out, and their partner-gods will say, 'It was not us you worshipped. Allah is a sufficient witness between us and you. We were unaware of your worship.' (10:28-29)  
We revealed to Musa and his brother: 'Settle your

people in houses in Egypt and make your houses places of worship and perform prayer and give good news to the believers.' (10:87)

Say: 'Mankind! If you are in any doubt about my religion, I do not worship those you worship besides Allah. Rather I worship Allah Who will take you back to Him and I am commanded to be one of the believers.' (10:104)

'Do not worship anyone but Allah! I am a warner and bringer of good news to you from Him.' (11:2)

(Nuh said to his people,) 'Worship none but Allah. I fear for you the punishment of a painful day.' (11:26)

And to 'Ad We sent their brother Hud. He said, 'My people! Worship Allah. You have no god apart from Him. You are merely fabricators.' (11:50)

To Thamud We sent their brother Salih. He said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no god apart from Him. He brought you into being from the earth and made you its inhabitants. So ask His forgiveness and then repent to Him. My Lord is Close and Quick to Respond.' (11:61)

They said, 'Salih, we had great hopes in you before this happened. Do you forbid us to worship what our fathers worshipped? We have grave doubts about what you are calling us to.' (11:62)

And (We sent) to Madyan their brother Shu'ayb. He said, 'My people, worship Allah! You have no god apart from Him. Do not give short measure and short weight. I see you prospering and I fear for you the punishment of an all-encompassing Day.' (11:84)

They said, 'Shu'ayb, do your prayers instruct you that we should abandon what our fathers worshipped or stop doing whatever we want to with our wealth? You are clearly the forbearing, the rightly-guided!' (11:87)

So be in no doubt about what these people worship. They only worship as their forebears worshipped previously. We will pay them their portion in full, with no rebate! (11:109)

The Unseen of the heavens and the earth belongs to Allah and the whole affair will be returned to Him. So worship Him and put your trust in Him. Your Lord is not unaware of what you do. (11:123)

What you serve apart from Him are only names which you and your forefathers have made up. There is no mandate for them from Allah. Allah alone is qualified to judge. His order is to worship none but Him. That is in truth the straight and upright religion, but most of mankind simply do not know. (12:40)

Those to whom We gave the Book rejoice at what has been sent down to you but some of the parties refuse to acknowledge part of it. Say: 'I have only been ordered to worship Allah and not to associate anything with Him. I summon to Him and to Him I will return.' (13:36)

Their Messengers said, 'Is there any doubt about Allah, the Bringer into Being of the heavens and the earth? He summons you to forgive you for your wrong actions and to defer you until a specified time.' They said, 'You are nothing but human beings like ourselves who want to debar us from what our fathers worshipped; so bring us a clear authority.' (14:10)

When Ibrahim said, 'My Lord! Make this land a place of safety and keep me and my sons from worshipping idols.' (14:35)

And worship your Lord until what is Certain comes to you. (15:99)

The idolaters say, 'If Allah had willed we would not have worshipped anything apart from Him, neither we nor our fathers, nor would we have forbidden anything without His say.' Those before them said the same. Are the Messengers responsible for anything but clear transmission? (16:35)

We sent a Messenger among every people saying: 'Worship Allah and keep clear of all false gods.' Among them were some whom Allah guided but others received the misguidance they deserved. Travel about the earth and see the final fate of the deniers. (16:36)

Allah has given you wives from among yourselves, and given you children and grandchildren from your wives, and provided good things for you. So why do they believe in falsehood and reject the blessings of Allah, and worship, instead of Allah, things that have no control over their provision from the heavens or earth in any way, and are themselves completely impotent? (16:72-73)

So eat from what Allah has provided for you, lawful and good, and be thankful for the blessing of Allah if it is Him you worship. (16:114)

Your Lord has decreed that you should worship none but Him, and that you should show kindness to your parents. Whether one or both of them reach old age with you, do not say 'Ugh!' to them out of irritation and do not be harsh with them but speak to them with gentleness and generosity. (17:23)

(We said to them,) 'When you have separated yourselves from them and everything they worship except Allah, take refuge in the cave and your Lord will unfold His mercy to you and open the way to the best for you in your situation.' (18:16)

Accordingly We made them chance upon them unexpectedly so they might know that Allah's promise is true and that there is no doubt about the Hour. When they were arguing among themselves about the matter, they said, 'Wall up their cave, their Lord knows best about them.' But those who got the better of the argument concerning them said, 'We will build a place of worship over them.' (18:21)

Say: 'I am only a human being like yourselves. It is revealed to me that your god is One God. So let him who hopes to meet his Lord act rightly and not associate anyone in the worship of his Lord.' (18:110)

'Allah is my Lord and your Lord so worship Him. This is a straight path.' (19:36)

Remember when he (Ibrahim) said to his father, 'Father, why do you worship what can neither hear nor see and is not of any use to you at all? Father, knowledge which never reached you has come to me, so follow me and I will guide you to the right path. Father, do not worship Satan. Satan was disobedient to the All-Merciful. (19:42-44)

When he (Ibrahim) had separated himself from them, and what they worshipped besides Allah, We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, making each of them a Prophet. (19:49)

He is Lord of the heavens and the earth and everything in between them, so worship Him and persevere in His worship. Do you know of

any other with His Name? (19:65)

No indeed! They will reject their worship and will be opposed to them. (19:82)

I am Allah. There is no god but Me, so worship Me and perform prayer to remember Me. (20:14) Everyone in the heavens and the earth belongs to Him. Those in His presence do not consider themselves too great to worship Him and do not grow tired of it. (21:19)

We sent no Messenger before you without revealing to him: 'There is no god but Me, so worship Me.' (21:25)

They said, 'We found our fathers worshipping them.' (21:53)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'Do you then worship, instead of Allah, what cannot help or harm you in any way? Shame on you and what you worship besides Allah! Will you not use your intellect?' (21:66-67)

We made them leaders, guiding by Our command, and revealed to them how to do good actions and perform prayer and give the alms, and they worshipped Us. (21:73)

We responded to him (Ayyub) and removed from him the harm which was afflicting him and restored his family to him, and the same again with them, as a mercy direct from Us and a Reminder to all worshippers. (21:84)

This nation of yours is one nation and I am your Lord, so worship Me. (21:92)

You and what you worship besides Allah are fuel for Hell. You will go down into it. (21:98)

Certainly there is a transmission in this for people who worship. (21:106)

Among the people there is one who worships Allah right on the edge. If good befalls him, he is content with it, but if a trial befalls him, he reverts to his former ways, losing both this world and the hereafter. That is indeed sheer loss. (22:11)

They worship besides Allah something for which no authority has come down, something about which they have no knowledge. There is no helper for the wrongdoers. (22:71)

You who believe! Bow and prostrate and worship your Lord, and do good, so that hopefully you will be successful. (22:77)

We sent Nuh to his people and he said, 'My people, worship Allah. You have no god other than Him. So will you not guard against evil?' (23:23) And (We) sent a Messenger to them from themselves: 'Worship Allah. You have no god other than Him! So will you not guard against evil?' (23:32)

Allah has promised those of you who believe and do right actions that He will make them successors in the land as He made those before them successors, and will firmly establish for them their religion with which He is pleased and give them, in place of their fear, security. 'They worship Me, not associating anything with Me.' Any who disbelieve after that, such people are deviators. (24:55)

On the Day We gather them together, and those they worship besides Allah, and say, 'Did you misguide these servants of Mine or did they stray from the way of their own accord?' (25:17)

Yet they worship instead of Allah what can neither help nor harm them. The disbeliever is ever, against his Lord, an assistant (to Satan). (25:55)

Recite to them the story of Ibrahim when he said to his father and his people, 'What do you worship?' They said, 'We worship idols and will continue to cling to them.' (26:69-71)

He (Ibrahim) said, 'Have you really thought about what you worship?' (26:75)

They will be asked, 'Where are those you used to worship besides Allah?' (26:92)

But what she (the Queen of Sheba) worshipped besides Allah impeded her. She was from an unbelieving people. (27:43)

To Thamud We sent their brother Salih telling them to worship Allah, and straightaway they divided in two, arguing with one another. (27:45)

'I have simply been ordered to worship the Lord of this land which He has declared sacred—everything belongs to Him—and I have been ordered to be one of the Muslims.' (27:91)

Those against whom the Word has been justly carried out will say, 'Our Lord, those people we misled, we only misled them as we too were misled. We declare our innocence to You. It was not us they were worshipping!' (28:63)

And Ibrahim, when he said to his people,

'Worship Allah and have fear of Him. That is better for you if you only knew. Instead of Allah you worship only idols. You are inventing a lie. Those you worship besides Allah have no power to provide for you. So seek your provision from Allah and worship Him and give thanks to Him. It is to Him you will be returned.' (29:16-17)  
And to Madyan We sent their brother Shu'ayb, he said, 'My people, worship Allah and look to the Last Day and do not act unjustly on earth, corrupting it.' (29:36)

My servants, you who believe, My earth is wide, so worship Me alone! (29:56)

On the Day We gather them all together and then say to the angels, 'Was it you whom these people were worshipping?' they will say, 'Glory be to You! You are our Protector, not them. No, they were worshipping the jinn. They mostly had faith in them.' (34:40-41)

### **WORTHLESS TALK**

(Believers are) those who turn away from worthless talk. (23:3)

(Believers are) those who do not bear false witness and who, when they pass by worthless talk, pass by with dignity. (25:72)

When they hear worthless talk they turn away from it and say, 'We have our actions and you have your actions. Peace be upon you. We do not desire the company of the ignorant.' (28:55)

### **WRETCHED**

On the Day it comes, no self will speak except by His permission. Some of them will be wretched and others glad. (11:105)

As for those who are wretched, they will be in the Fire, where they will sigh and gasp. (11:106)

I have warned you of a Fire which rages, in which only the most wretched will roast. (92:14-15)

### **WRITER**

You who believe! When you take on a debt for a specified period, write it down. A writer should write it down between you justly. No writer should refuse to write; as Allah has taught him, so he should write. The one incurring the debt

should dictate and should have fear of Allah his Lord and not reduce it in any way. If the person incurring the debt is incompetent or weak or unable to dictate, then his guardian should dictate for him justly. Two men among you should act as witnesses. But if there are not two men, then a man and two women with whom you are satisfied as witnesses; then if one of them forgets, the other can remind her. Witnesses should not refuse when they are called upon. Do not think it too trivial to write down, whether small or large, with the date that it falls due. Doing that is more just in Allah's sight and more helpful when bearing witness and more likely to eliminate any doubt—unless it is an immediate transaction hand to hand, taken and given without delay. There is nothing wrong in your not writing that down. Call witnesses when you trade. Neither writer nor witness should be put under pressure. If you do that, it is deviancy on your part. Have fear of Allah and Allah will give you knowledge. Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:282)

If you are on a journey and cannot find a writer, something can be left as a security. If you leave things on trust with one another the one who is trusted must deliver up his trust and have fear of Allah his Lord. Do not conceal testimony. If someone does conceal it, his heart commits a crime. Allah knows what you do. (2:283)

### **(TO) WRONG**

And when Musa said to his people, 'My people, You wronged yourselves by adopting the Calf so turn towards your Maker and kill yourselves. That is the best thing for you in your Maker's sight.' And He turned towards you. He is the Ever-Returning, the Most Merciful. (2:54)

And We shaded you with clouds and sent down manna and quails to you: 'Eat of the good things We have provided for you.' They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they were wronging. (2:57)

When you divorce women and they are near the end of their waiting period, then either retain them with correctness and courtesy or release them with correctness and courtesy. Do not retain them by force, thus overstepping the limits.

Anyone who does that has wronged himself. Do not make a mockery of Allah's Signs. Remember Allah's blessing to you and the Book and Wisdom He has sent down to you to admonish you. Have fear of Allah and know that Allah has knowledge of all things. (2:231)

If you do not, know that it means war from Allah and His Messenger. But if you repent you may have your capital, without wronging and without being wronged. (2:279)

The metaphor of what they spend in their life in this world is that of a wind with an icy bite to it which strikes the crops of a people who have wronged themselves and destroys them. Allah did not wrong them; rather it was themselves they were wronging. (3:117)

... Allah loves the good-doers—those who, when they act indecently or wrong themselves, remember Allah and ask forgiveness for their bad actions (and who can forgive bad actions except Allah?) and do not knowingly persist in what they were doing. (3:134-135)

That is on account of what you did. Allah does not wrong His servants. (3:182)

We sent no Messenger except to be obeyed by Allah's permission. If only when they wronged themselves they had come to you and asked Allah's forgiveness and the Messenger had asked forgiveness for them they would have found Allah Ever-Returning, Most Merciful. (4:64)

The angels ask those they take while they are wronging themselves, 'What were your circumstances?' They reply, 'We were oppressed on earth.' They say, 'Was Allah's earth not wide enough for you to have migrated elsewhere in it?' The shelter of such people will be Hell. What an evil destination! (4:97)

Anyone who does evil or wrongs himself and then asks Allah's forgiveness will find Allah Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (4:110)

Allah does not like evil words being voiced out loud, except in the case of someone who has been wronged. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (4:148)

They said, 'Our Lord, we have wronged ourselves. If you do not forgive us and have mercy on us, we will be among the lost.' (7:23)

We divided them up into twelve tribes—communities. We revealed to Musa, when his people asked him for water: 'Strike the rock with your staff.' Twelve fountains flowed out from it and all the people knew their drinking place. And We shaded them with clouds and sent down manna and quails to them: 'Eat of the good things We have provided you with.' They did not wrong Us; rather it was themselves they wronged. (7:160)

How evil is the metaphor of those who deny Our Signs. It is themselves that they have badly wronged. (7:177)

(Angels will say to the disbelievers,) 'That is for what you did. Allah does not wrong His servants.' (8:51)

There have been twelve months with Allah in the Book of Allah, from the day He first created the heavens and earth. Four of them are forbidden. That is the True Religion. So do not wrong one another during them. However, fight the idolaters totally just as they fight you totally, and know that Allah is with those who guard against evil. (9:36)

Has the news of those who came before them not reached them, the people of Nuh and 'Ad and Thamud, and the people of Ibrahim and the inhabitants of Madyan and the overturned cities? Their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (9:70)

Allah does not wrong people in any way; rather it is people who wrong themselves. (10:44)

Every nation has a Messenger and when their Messenger comes everything is decided between them justly. They are not wronged. (10:47)

If every self that did wrong possessed everything on earth, it would offer it as a ransom. They will show remorse when they see the punishment. Everything will be decided between them justly. They will not be wronged. (10:54)

We did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. The gods they called upon besides Allah did not help them at all when Allah's command came upon them. They did nothing but increase their ruin. (11:101)

Warn mankind of the Day when the punishment will reach them. Those who did wrong will say,

'Our Lord, reprieve us for a short time. We will respond to Your call and follow the Messengers.' 'But did you not swear to Me before that you would never meet your downfall, even though you inhabited the houses of those who had wronged themselves and it was made clear to you how We had dealt with them and We gave you many examples?' (14:44-45)

What are they waiting for but the angels to come to them or your Lord's command to come? That is like what those before them did. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (16:33)

As for those who migrate for Allah's sake after being wronged, We shall give them good lodging in this world, and the reward of the hereafter is greater still if they only knew. (16:41)

On that Day every self will come to argue for itself and every self will be paid in full for what it did. They will not be wronged. (16:111)

We forbade the Jews those things We told you about before. We did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (16:118)

He entered his garden and wronged himself by saying, 'I do not think that this will ever end.' (18:35)

The Book will be set in place and you will see the evildoers fearful of what is in it. They will say, 'Alas for us! What is this Book which does not pass over any action, small or great, without recording it?' They will find there everything they did and your Lord will not wrong anyone at all. (18:49)

An evil generation succeeded them who neglected the prayer and followed their appetites. They will plunge into the Valley of Evil—except for those who repent and believe and act rightly. They will enter the Garden and they will not be wronged in any way. (19:59-60)

'That is for what you did before. Allah does not wrong His servants.' (22:10)

Permission to fight is given to those who are fought against because they have been wronged—truly Allah has the power to come to their support. (22:39)

Do you not see how they ramble on in every style and say things which they do not do, except

those who believe and do right actions and remember Allah repeatedly and defend themselves after they have been wronged? Those who do wrong will soon know the kind of reversal they will receive! (26:225-227)

She (Queen of Sheba) was told: 'Enter the courtyard,' but when she saw it she supposed it to be a pool and bared her legs. He said, 'It is a courtyard paved with glass.' She said, 'My Lord, I have wronged myself but I have submitted with Sulayman to the Lord of all the worlds.' (27:44)

He (Musa) said, 'My Lord, I have wronged myself. Forgive me.' So He forgave him. He is the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful. (28:16)

We seized each one of them for their wrong actions. Against some We sent a sudden squall of stones; some of them were seized by the Great Blast; some We caused the earth to swallow up; and some We drowned. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (29:40)

Have they not travelled in the earth and seen the final fate of those before them? They had greater strength than them and cultivated the land and inhabited it in far greater numbers than they do. Their Messengers also came to them with the Clear Signs. Allah would never have wronged them; but they wronged themselves. (30:9)

They said, 'Our Lord, put more distance between our staging posts.' They wronged themselves so We made legends of them and scattered them without a trace. There are certainly Signs in that for everyone who is steadfast and thankful. (34:19)

Then We made Our chosen servants inherit the Book. But some of them wrong themselves; some are ambivalent; and some outdo each other in good by Allah's permission. That is the great favour. (35:32)

Today no self will be wronged in any way. You will only be repaid for what you did. (36:54)

We showered blessings upon him and upon Ishaq. Among their descendants are good-doers and also people who clearly wrong themselves. (37:113)

He (Dawud) said, 'He has wronged you by asking for your ewe to add to his ewes. Truly many partners are unjust to one another—except those

who believe and do right actions, and how few they are!' Dawud realised that We had put him to the test. He begged forgiveness from his Lord and fell down prone, prostrating, and repented. (38:24)

Whoever acts rightly, it is to his own good. Whoever does evil, it is to his detriment. Your Lord does not wrong His servants. (41:46)

(Believers are) those who, when they are wronged, defend themselves. (42:39)

But if people do defend themselves when they are wronged, nothing can be held against them for doing that. (42:41)

There are only grounds against those who wrong people and act as tyrants in the earth without any right to do so. Such people will have a painful punishment. (42:42)

We have not wronged them; it was they who were wrongdoers. (43:76)

Allah created the heavens and earth with truth so that every self might be repaid for what it earned and they will not be wronged. (45:22)

Everyone will be ranked according to what they did. We will pay them in full for their actions and they will not be wronged. (46:19)

(He will say,) 'My Word, once given, is not subject to change and I do not wrong My servants.' (50:29)

O Prophet! When any of you divorce women, divorce them during their period of purity and calculate their waiting period carefully. And have fear of Allah, your Lord. Do not evict them from their homes, nor should they leave, unless they commit an outright indecency. Those are Allah's limits, and anyone who oversteps Allah's limits has wronged himself. You never know, it may well be that after that Allah will cause a new situation to develop. (65:1)

## **WRONG - WRONGDOING - WRONGDOER**

We said, 'Adam, live in the Garden, you and your wife, and eat freely from it wherever you will. But do not approach this tree and so become wrongdoers.' (2:35)

And when We allotted to Musa forty nights. Then you adopted the Calf when he had gone and you

were wrongdoers. (2:51)

But those who did wrong substituted words other than those they had been given. So We sent down a plague from heaven on those who did wrong because they were deviators. (2:59)

Then you are the people who are killing one another and expelling a group among you from their homes, ganging up against them in wrongdoing and enmity. Yet if they are brought to you as captives, you ransom them, when it was forbidden for you to expel them in the first place! Do you, then, believe in one part of the Book and reject the other? What repayment will there be for any of you who do that except disgrace in this world? And on the Day of Rising, they will be returned to the harshest of punishments. Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:85)

Musa brought you the Clear Signs; then, after he left, you adopted the Calf and were wrongdoers. (2:92)

But they will never ever long for it because of what they have done. Allah knows the wrongdoers. (2:95)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who bars access to the mosques of Allah, preventing His name from being remembered in them, and goes about destroying them? Such people will never be able to enter them--except in fear. They will have disgrace in this world and in the hereafter they will have a terrible punishment. (2:114) Remember when Ibrahim was tested by his Lord with certain words which he carried out completely. He said, 'I will make you a model for mankind.' He asked, 'And what of my descendants?' He said, 'My contract does not include the wrongdoers.' (2:124)

Or do they say that Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes were Jews or Christians? Say, 'Do you know better or does Allah?' Who could do greater wrong than someone who hides the evidence he has been given by Allah? Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:140)

If you were to bring every Sign to those given the Book, they still would not follow your direction. You do not follow their direction. They do not follow each other's direction. If you followed

their whims and desires, after the knowledge that has come to you, you would then be one of the wrongdoers. (2:145)

Wherever you come from, turn your face to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram). Wherever you are, turn your faces towards it so that people will have no argument against you—except for those among them who do wrong and then you should not fear them but rather fear Me—and so that I can complete My blessing to you so that hopefully you will be guided. (2:150)

Some people set up equals to Allah, loving them as they should love Allah. But those who believe have greater love for Allah. If only you could see those who do wrong at the time when they see the punishment, and that truly all strength belongs to Allah, and that Allah is severe in punishment. (2:165)

But if someone fears bias or wrongdoing on the part of the person making the will, and puts things right between the people involved, in that case he has not committed any crime. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (2:182)

Remember Allah on the designated days. Those who hurry on in two days have done no wrong, and those who stay another day have done no wrong—those of them who guard against evil. So have fear of Allah. And know that you will be gathered back to Him. (2:203)

They will ask you about alcoholic drinks and gambling. Say, ‘There is great wrong in both of them and also certain benefits for mankind. But the wrong in them is greater than the benefit.’ They will ask you what they should give away. Say, ‘Whatever is surplus to your needs.’ In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you, so that hopefully you will reflect. (2:219)

Divorce can be pronounced two times; in which case wives may be retained with correctness and courtesy or released with good will. It is not lawful for you to keep anything you have given them unless a couple fear that they will not remain within Allah’s limits. If you fear that they will not remain within Allah’s limits, there is nothing wrong in the wife ransoming herself with some of what she received. These are Allah’s limits, so do not overstep them. Those who overstep Allah’s

limits are wrongdoers. (2:229)

But if a man divorces his wife a third time, she is not lawful for him after that until she has married another husband. Then if he divorces her, there is nothing wrong in the original couple getting back together provided they think they will remain within Allah’s limits. These are Allah’s limits which he has made clear to people who know. (2:230)

What do you think about the council of the tribe of Israel after Musa’s time when they said to one of their Prophets, ‘Give us a king and we will fight in the Way of Allah!?’ He said, ‘Is it not possible that if fighting were prescribed for you, you would not fight?’ They said, ‘How could we not fight in the way of Allah when we have been driven from our homes and children?’ But then when fighting was prescribed for them, they turned their backs—except for a few of them. Allah knows the wrongdoers. (2:246)

You who believe! Give away some of what We have provided for you before a Day arrives on which there is no trading, no close friendship and no intercession. It is the disbelievers who are the wrongdoers. (2:254)

What about the one who argued with Ibrahim about his Lord, on the basis that Allah had given him sovereignty? Ibrahim said, ‘My Lord is He Who gives life and causes to die.’ He said, ‘I too give life and cause to die.’ Ibrahim said, ‘Allah makes the sun come from the East. Make it come from the West.’ And the one who was a disbeliever was dumbfounded. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (2:258)

Whatever amount you spend or vow you make, Allah knows it. The wrongdoers have no helpers. (2:270)

Allah obliterates usury but makes charity grow in value! Allah does not love any persistently ungrateful wrongdoer. (2:276)

As for those who disbelieve, their wealth and children will not help them against Allah in any way. They are fuel for the Fire, as was the case with the people of Pharaoh and those before them. They denied Our Signs so Allah seized them for their wrong actions. Allah is fierce in retribution. (3:10-11)

As for those who believe and do right actions, We will pay them their wages in full. Allah does not love wrongdoers. (3:57)

How can Allah guide a people who have disbelieved after having believed? They bore witness that the Messenger was true and that the Clear Signs had come to them. Allah does not guide people who are wrongdoers. (3:86)

So any who, after this, invent a lie against Allah are indeed wrongdoers. (3:94)

You have no part in the affair. Either He will turn towards them or He will punish them, for they are wrongdoers. (3:128)

If you have received a wound, they have already received a similar wound. We deal out such days to people turn by turn, so that Allah will know those who believe and can gather martyrs from among you—Allah does not love wrongdoers. (3:140)

We will cast terror into the hearts of those who disbelieve because they have associated others with Allah for which He has not sent down any authority. Their shelter will be the Fire. How evil is the abode of the wrongdoers! (3:151)

(People with intelligence remember Allah:) ‘Our Lord, those You cast into the Fire, You have indeed disgraced. The wrongdoers will have no helpers.’ (3:192)

As for anyone who does that out of enmity and wrongdoing, We will roast him in a Fire. That is an easy matter for Allah. (4:30)

If you avoid the serious wrong actions you have been forbidden, We will erase your bad actions from you and admit you by a Gate of Honour. (4:31)

What reason could you have for not fighting in the Way of Allah—for those men, women and children who are oppressed and say, ‘Our Lord, take us out of this city whose inhabitants are wrongdoers! Give us a protector from You! Give us a helper from You!’? (4:75)

Anyone who commits an error or an evil action, and then ascribes it to someone innocent, bears the weight of slander and clear wrongdoing. (4:112)

Allah will not forgive those who disbelieve and do wrong or guide them on any path. (4:168)

You who believe! Do not profane the sacred rites of Allah or the sacred months, or the sacrificial animals, or the ritual garlands, or those heading for the Sacred House, desiring profit and good pleasure from their Lord. When your pilgrimage is over, then you may hunt. Do not let hatred for a people who debar you from the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) incite you into going beyond the limits. Help each other to goodness and heedfulness. Do not help each other to wrongdoing and enmity. Have fear of Allah. Allah is severe in retribution. (5:2)

Forbidden for you are carrion, blood and pork, and what has been consecrated to other than Allah, and animals which have been strangled, and animals which have been killed by a blow, and animals which have fallen to their death, and animals which have been gored, and animals which wild beasts have eaten—except those you are able to slaughter properly—and animals which have been sacrificed on altars, and deciding things by means of divining arrows—that is deviance. Today those who disbelieve have despaired of overcoming your religion. So do not be afraid of them but be afraid of Me. Today I have perfected your religion for you and completed My blessing upon you and I am pleased with Islam as a religion for you. But if anyone is forced by hunger, not intending any wrongdoing, Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (5:3) (One of Adam’s two sons said to the other,) ‘I want you to take on both my wrongdoing and your wrongdoing and so become one of the Companions of the Fire. That is the repayment of the wrongdoers.’ (5:29)

We prescribed for them in it: a life for a life, an eye for an eye, a nose for a nose, an ear for an ear, a tooth for a tooth, and retaliation for wounds. But if anyone forgoes that as a charity, it will act as expiation for him. Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down, such people are wrongdoers. (5:45)

Judge between them by what Allah has sent down and do not follow their whims and desires. And beware of them lest they lure you away from some of what Allah has sent down to you. If they turn their backs, then know that Allah wants to

afflict them with some of their wrong actions. Many of mankind are deviators. (5:49) You who believe! Do not take the Jews and Christians as your friends; they are the friends of one another. Any of you who takes them as friends is one of them. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (5:51)

You see many of them rushing to wrongdoing and enmity and acquiring ill-gotten gains. What an evil thing they do! (5:62)

Those who say that the Messiah, son of Maryam, is Allah are disbelievers. The Messiah said, 'Tribe of Israel! Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord. If anyone associates anything with Allah, Allah has forbidden him the Garden and his refuge will be the Fire.' The wrongdoers will have no helpers. (5:72)

If it then comes to light that the two of them have merited the allegation of wrongdoing, two others who have the most right to do so should take their place and swear by Allah: 'Our testimony is truer than their testimony. We have not committed perjury. If we had we would indeed be wrongdoers.' (5:107)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs? The wrongdoers are certainly not successful. (6:21)

We know that what they say distresses you. It is not that they are calling you a liar; the wrongdoers are just denying Allah's Signs. (6:33)

So the last remnant of the people who did wrong was cut off. Praise belongs to Allah, the Lord of all the worlds! (6:45)

Say: 'What do you think? If Allah's punishment were to come upon you suddenly by night or openly by day, would any but the wrongdoing people be destroyed?' (6:47)

Do not chase away those who call on their Lord morning and evening, seeking His Face. Their reckoning is in no way your responsibility and your reckoning is in no way their responsibility. Indeed if you did chase them away, you would be among the wrongdoers. (6:52)

Say: 'If I did have in my possession what you are in such haste to bring about, the affair between me and you would have been decided. Allah has

greatest knowledge of the wrongdoers.' (6:58) When you see people engrossed in mockery of Our Signs, turn from them until they start to talk of other things. And if Satan should ever cause you to forget, once you remember, do not stay sitting with the wrongdoers. (6:68)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs, or who says, 'It has been revealed to me,' when nothing has been revealed to him, or someone who says, 'I will send down the same as Allah has sent down'? If you could only see the wrongdoers in the throes of death when the angels are stretching out their hands, saying, 'Disgorge your own selves! Today you will be repaid with the punishment of humiliation for saying something other than the truth about Allah, and being arrogant about His Signs.' (6:93)

Abandon wrong action, outward and inward. Those who commit wrong action will be repaid for what they perpetrated. (6:120)

And likewise in every city We set up its greatest wrongdoers to plot in it. They plot against themselves alone, but they are not aware of it. (6:123)

In that way We make the wrongdoers friends of one another because of what they have done. (6:129)

Say: 'My people, do as you are doing, just as I am doing. You will certainly come to know who will have the best home in the end. The wrongdoers will certainly not be successful.' (6:135)

And a pair of camels and a pair of cattle--Say: 'Is it the two males He has made forbidden, or the two females, or what the wombs of the two females contain? Were you then witnesses when Allah gave you this instruction?' Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah thus leading people astray without any knowledge? Allah does not guide the people of the wrongdoers. (6:144)

Nor can you say: 'If the Book had been sent down to us, We would have been better guided than they were.' For a Clear Sign has come to you from your Lord, and guidance and mercy. Who could do greater wrong than someone who denies Allah's Signs and turns away from them? We will repay those who turn away from Our Signs

with the worst kind of punishment because they turned away. (6:157)

And their only utterance, when Our violent force came down upon them, was the cry: 'Truly we have been wrongdoers!' (7:5)

(Allah said,) 'Adam, live in the Garden, you and your wife, and eat of it wherever you like. But do not go near this tree lest you become wrongdoers.' (7:19)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs? Such people's portion of the Book will catch up with them so that when Our messengers come to them to take them in death, saying, 'Where are those you called upon besides Allah?' they will say, 'They have forsaken us,' testifying against themselves that they were disbelievers. (7:37)

They will have Hell as a resting-place and covering layers on top of them. That is how We repay wrongdoers. (7:41)

The Companions of the Garden will call out to the Companions of the Fire, 'We have found that what our Lord promised us is true. Have you found that what your Lord promised you is true?' They will say, 'Yes, we have!' Between them a herald will proclaim: 'May the curse of Allah be on the wrongdoers.' (7:44)

When they turn their eyes towards the Companions of the Fire, they will say, 'Our Lord, do not place us with the people of the wrongdoers!' (7:47)

Is it not clear to those who have inherited the earth after these people that, if We wanted to, We could strike them for their wrong actions, sealing up their hearts so that they cannot hear? (7:100)

After he left, Musa's people adopted a calf made from their ornaments, a form which made a lowing sound. Did they not see that it could not speak to them or guide them to any way? They adopted it and so they were wrongdoers. (7:148)

When Musa returned to his people in anger and great sorrow, he said, 'What an evil thing you did in my absence after I left! Did you want to hasten your Lord's command?' He threw down the Tablets and seized hold of his brother's head, dragging him towards him. Harun said, 'Son of my mother, The people oppressed me and almost

killed me. Do not give my enemies cause to gloat over me. Do not include me with the wrongdoing people.' (7:150)

But those of them who did wrong substituted words other than those they had been given. So We sent a plague on them from heaven for their wrongdoing. (7:162)

Then when they forgot what they had been reminded of, We rescued those who had forbidden the evil and seized those who did wrong with a harsh punishment because they were deviators. (7:165)

Be fearful of trials which will not afflict solely those among you who do wrong. Know that Allah is severe in retribution. (8:25)

Such was the case with Pharaoh's people and those before them. They denied their Lord's Signs so We destroyed them for their wrong actions. We drowned Pharaoh's people. All of them were wrongdoers. (8:54)

Do you make the giving of water to the pilgrims and looking after the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) the same as believing in Allah and the Last Day and striving in the Way of Allah? They are not equal in the sight of Allah. Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (9:19)

You who believe, do not befriend your fathers and brothers if they prefer disbelief to faith. Those among you who do befriend them are wrongdoers. (Quru'an, 9:23)

If they had gone out among you, they would have added nothing to you but confusion. They would have scurried about amongst you seeking to cause conflict between you, and among you there are some who would have listened to them.

Allah knows the wrongdoers. (9:47)

But others have acknowledged their wrong actions and mixed a right action with another which is wrong. It may well be that Allah will turn towards them. Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (9:102)

Who is better: someone who finds his building on fear of Allah and His good pleasure, or someone who finds his building on the brink of a crumbling precipice so that it collapses with him into the Fire of Hell? Allah does not love wrongdoers. (9:109)

We destroyed generations before you when they did wrong. Their Messengers brought them the Clear Signs, but they were never going to believe. That is how We repay evildoers. (10:13) Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies His Signs? Evildoers are certainly not successful. (10:17) No, the fact is that they have denied something which their knowledge does not embrace and the meaning of which has not yet reached them. In the same way those before them also denied the truth. See the final fate of the wrongdoers! (10:39)

Then it will be said to those who did wrong, 'Taste the punishment of eternity! Have you been repaid for anything other than what you earned?' (10:52)

They said, 'We have put our trust in Allah. Our Lord, do not make us a target for this wrongdoing people.' (10:85)

(Say:) 'Do not call on something besides Allah which can neither help nor harm you. If you do, you will then be wrongdoers.' (10:106)

Who could do greater wrong than those who invent lies against Allah? Such people will be arrayed before their Lord and the witnesses will say, 'Those are the ones who lied against their Lord.' Yes indeed! Allah's curse is on the wrongdoers. (11:18)

(Nuh said,) 'I do not say to you that I possess the treasures of Allah; nor do I know the Unseen; nor do I say that I am an angel; nor do I say to those who are vile in your eyes that Allah will not give them any good. Allah knows best what is in their hearts. If I did, I would certainly be one of the wrongdoers.' (11:31)

(It was revealed to Nuh:) 'Build the Ark under Our supervision and as We reveal and do not address Me concerning the wrongdoers. They shall be drowned.' (11:37)

It was said, 'Earth, swallow up your water!' and, 'Heaven, hold back your rain!' And the water subsided and the affair was concluded and the Ark came to land on al-Judi. And it was said, 'Away with the people of the wrongdoers!' (11:44)

The Great Blast seized hold of those who did

wrong and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (11:67)

When Our command came, We turned their cities upside down and rained down on them stones of hard baked clay, piled on top of one another in layers, each one earmarked by your Lord. And they are never far from the wrongdoers. (11:82-83)

When Our command came, We rescued Shu'ayb and those who believed along with him by a mercy from Us. The Great Blast seized hold of those who did wrong and morning found them lying flattened in their homes. (11:94)

Such is the iron grip of your Lord when He seizes the cities which do wrong. His grip is painful, violent. (11:102)

Do not rely on those who do wrong thus causing the Fire to afflict you, for you have no protector besides Allah; then you will not be helped. (11:113)

Would that there had been more people with a vestige of good among the generations of those who came before you, who forbade corruption in the earth, other than the few among them whom We saved. Those who did wrong gladly pursued the life of luxury that they were given and were evildoers. (11:116)

The woman whose house it was solicited him. She barred the doors and said, 'Come over here!' He (Yusuf) said, 'Allah is my refuge! He is My lord and has been good to me with where I live. Those who do wrong will surely not succeed.' (12:23)

They said, 'Its reparation shall be him in the saddlebags of whom it is discovered. With us that is how wrongdoers are repaid.' (12:75)

He said, 'Allah forbid that we should take anyone but him with whom our goods were found. In that case we would clearly be wrongdoers.' (12:79)

Those who disbelieved said to their Messengers, 'We will drive you from our land unless you return to our religion.' Their Lord revealed to them, 'We will destroy those who do wrong.' (14:13)

When the affair is decided Satan will say, 'Allah made you a promise, a promise of truth, and I made you a promise but broke my promise. I had

no authority over you, except that I called you and you responded to me. Do not, therefore, blame me but blame yourselves. I cannot come to your aid nor you to mine. I reject the way you associated me with Allah before.' The wrongdoers will have a painful punishment. (14:22)

Allah makes those who believe firm with the Firm Word in the life of this world and the hereafter. But Allah misguides the wrongdoers. Allah does whatever He wills. (14:27)

He has given you everything you have asked Him for. If you tried to number Allah's blessings, you could never count them. Man is indeed wrongdoing, ungrateful. (14:34)

Do not consider Allah to be unaware of what the wrongdoers perpetrate. He is merely deferring them to a Day on which their sight will be transfixed. (14:42)

The people of the Thicket were also wrongdoers. (15:78)

When those who did wrong see the punishment, it will not be lightened for them. They will be granted no reprieve. (16:85)

How many generations We destroyed after Nuh! Your Lord is well able to be aware of and see the wrong actions of His servants! (17:17)

We know how they listen when they listen to you, and when they confer together secretly, and when the wrongdoers say, 'You are only following a man who is bewitched!' (17:47)

We send down in the Qur'an that which is a healing and a mercy to the believers, but it only increases the wrongdoers in loss. (17:82)

Do they not see that Allah, Who created the heavens and earth, has the power to create the like of them, and has appointed fixed terms for them of which there is no doubt? But the wrongdoers still spurn anything but disbelief. (17:99)

The Companions of the Cave said, 'These people of ours have taken gods apart from Him. Why do they not produce a clear authority concerning them? Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents a lie against Allah?' (18:15)

Say: 'It is the truth from your Lord; so let whoever wishes believe and whoever wishes disbelieve.' We have prepared for the wrongdoers a Fire whose billowing walls of smoke will hem them

in. If they call for help, they will be helped with water like seething molten brass, frying their faces. What a noxious drink! What an evil repose! (18:29)

When We said to the angels, 'Prostrate yourselves to Adam,' they prostrated with the exception of Diabolis. He was one of the jinn and wantonly deviated from his Lord's command. Do you take him and his offspring as protectors apart from Me when they are your enemy? How evil is the exchange the wrongdoers make! (18:50)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who is reminded of the Signs of his Lord and then turns away from them, forgetting all that he has done before? We have placed covers on their hearts, preventing them from understanding it, and heaviness in their ears. Though you call them to guidance, they will nonetheless never be guided. (18:57)

Those cities: We destroyed them when they did wrong and fixed a promised time for their destruction. (18:59)

He (Dhu'l-Qarnayn) said, 'As for those who do wrong, we will punish them and then they will be returned to their Lord and He will punish them with a dreadful punishment.' (18:87)

How clear will be their hearing, how perfect their sight, on the Day they come to Us; whereas today the wrongdoers are clearly misguided. (19:38)

Then We will rescue those who guarded against evil and We will leave the wrongdoers in it on their knees. (19:72)

We seized each one of them for their wrong actions. Against some We sent a sudden squall of stones; some of them were seized by the Great Blast; some We caused the earth to swallow up; and some We drowned. Allah did not wrong them; rather they wronged themselves. (20:40)

Their hearts are distracted. Those who do wrong confer together secretly, saying, 'Is this man anything but a human being like yourselves? Do you succumb to magic with your eyes wide open?' (21:3)

How many cities which did wrong have We utterly destroyed, raising up other people after them! (21:11)

They said, 'Alas for us! We were indeed wrongdoers!' (21:14)

Were any of them to say, 'I am a god apart from Him,' We would repay him with Hell. That is how We repay wrongdoers. (21:29)

If even a single waft of the punishment were to touch them, they would say, 'Alas for us! We were indeed wrongdoers.' (21:46)

They said, 'Who has done this to our gods? He is definitely one of the wrongdoers!' (21:59)

They consulted among themselves and said, 'It is you yourselves who are wrongdoers.' (21:64)

And Dhu'n-Nun when he left in anger and thought We would not punish him. He called out in the pitch darkness: 'There is no god but You! Glory be to You! Truly I have been one of the wrongdoers.' (21:87)

When Yajuj and Majuj are let loose and rush down from every slope, and the True Promise is very close, the eyes of those who disbelieved will be transfixed: 'Alas for us! We were unmindful of this! No, rather we were definitely wrongdoers.' (21:96-97)

Those who disbelieve and bar access to the Way of Allah and to the Sacred Mosque (Masjid al-Haram) which We have appointed for all mankind—equally for those who live near it and those who come from far away—those who desire to profane it with wrongdoing, We will let them taste a painful punishment. (22:25)

How many wrongdoing cities We destroyed, and now all their roofs and walls are fallen in; how many abandoned wells and stuccoed palaces! (22:45)

How many wrongdoing cities I allowed time to and then I seized them. I am their final destination! (22:48)

(It is) so that He can make what Satan insinuates a trial for those with sickness in their hearts and for those whose hearts are hard—the wrongdoers are entrenched in hostility. (22:53)

They worship besides Allah something for which no authority has come down, something about which they have no knowledge. There is no helper for the wrongdoers. (22:71)

We revealed to him: 'Build the Ship under Our supervision and as We reveal. When Our com-

mand comes and water bubbles up from the earth, load into it a pair of every species, and your family—except for those among them against whom the word has already gone ahead. And do not address Me concerning those who do wrong. They shall be drowned.' (23:27)

When you and those with you are settled in the Ship, then say: "Praise be to Allah Who has rescued us from the people of the wrongdoers!" (23:28)

The Great Blast seized hold of them inexorably and We turned them into dirty scum. Away with the people of the wrongdoers! (23:41)

Say: 'My Lord, if You let me see what they have been promised, do not then, my Lord, put me among the wrongdoing people!' (23:93-94)

They will say, 'Our Lord, our miserable destiny overpowered us. We were misguided people. Our Lord, remove us from it! Then if we revert again, we will definitely be wrongdoers.' (23:106-107)

Is there a sickness in their hearts or do they have misgivings or do they fear that Allah and His Messenger will be unjust to them? No, it is simply that they are wrongdoers. (24:50)

There is no objection to the blind, no objection to the lame, no objection to the sick; nor to yourselves if you eat in your own houses or your fathers' houses or your mothers' houses or your brothers' houses or your sisters' houses or the houses of your paternal uncles or paternal aunts or the houses of your maternal uncles or maternal aunts or places to which you own the keys or those of your friends. There is nothing wrong in your eating together or eating separately. And when you enter houses greet one another with a greeting from Allah, blessed and good. In this way Allah makes the Signs clear to you so that hopefully you will use your intellect. (24:61)

(They say,) 'Why has treasure not been showered down on him? Why does he not have a garden to give him food?' The wrongdoers say, 'You are merely following a man who is bewitched.' (25:8)

So now they have disowned you for what you said, and they cannot avert it or give you any help. As for anyone among you who has done

wrong, We will make him suffer great punishment. (25:19)

And when the people of Nuh denied the Messengers, We drowned them and made them a Sign for all mankind. We have prepared a painful punishment for the wrongdoers. (25:37)  
Put your trust in the Living Who does not die and glorify Him with praise. He is well aware of the wrong actions of His servants. (25:58)

And on the Day of Rising his punishment will be doubled and he will be humiliated in it timelessly, for ever, except for those who repent and believe and act rightly: Allah will transform the wrong actions of such people into good—Allah is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (25:69-70)

When your Lord called out to Musa: ‘Go to the wrongdoing people.’ (26:10)

(We said,) ‘Throw down your staff.’ Then when he saw it slithering like a snake he turned and fled and did not turn back again. ‘Have no fear, Musa. In My Presence the Messengers have no fear—except for one who did wrong and if he then changes evil into good, I am Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful. (27:10-11)

These are the ruins of their houses because of the wrong they did. There is certainly a Sign in that for people with knowledge. (27:52)

The Word will be carried out against them for the wrong they did and they will not speak. (27:85)  
So he (Musa) left there fearful and on his guard, saying, ‘My Lord, rescue me from the people of the wrongdoers!’ (28:21)

One of them came walking shyly up to him and said, ‘My father invites you so that he can pay you your wage for drawing water for us.’ When he (Musa) came to him and told him the whole story he said, ‘Have no fear, you have escaped from wrongdoing people.’ (28:25)

Musa said, ‘My Lord knows best who has come with guidance from Him and who will have the best Home in the end. The wrongdoers will certainly not be successful.’ (28:37)

So We seized him and his troops and flung them into the sea. See the final fate of the wrongdoers! (28:40)

If they do not respond to you then know that they are merely following their whims and desires.

And who could be further astray than someone who follows his whims and desires without any guidance from Allah? Allah does not guide the people of the wrongdoers. (28:50)

Your Lord would never destroy any cities without first sending to the chief of them a Messenger to recite Our Signs to them. We would never destroy any cities unless their inhabitants were wrongdoers. (28:59)

We sent Nuh to his people and he remained among them for fifty short of a thousand years; yet the Flood engulfed them while they were wrongdoers. (29:14)

When Our messengers came with the good news to Ibrahim, they said, ‘We are going to destroy the people of this city. Truly its inhabitants are wrongdoers.’ (29:31)

Only argue with the People of the Book in the kindest way—except in the case of those of them who do wrong—saying, ‘We believe in what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to you. Our God and your God are one and we submit to Him.’ (29:46)

No, it is Clear Signs reposed in the hearts of those who have been given knowledge. Only wrongdoers deny Our Signs. (29:49)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents lies against Allah or denies the truth when it comes to him? Is there not shelter in Hell for the disbelievers? (29:68)

However, those who do wrong pursue their whims and desires without any knowledge. Who can guide those whom Allah has led astray? They will have no helpers. (30:29)

On that Day the excuses of those who did wrong will not help them nor will they be able to appease Allah. (30:57)

This is Allah’s creation. Show me then what those besides Him have created! The wrongdoers are clearly misguided. (31:11)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who is reminded of the Signs of his Lord and then turns away from them? We will take revenge on the evildoers. (32:22)

And those who abuse men and women who are believers, when they have not merited it, bear the weight of slander and clear wrongdoing. (33:58)

He will put your actions right for you and forgive you your wrong deeds. All who obey Allah and His Messenger have won a mighty victory. (33:71)

We offered the Trust to the heavens, the earth and the mountains but they refused to take it on and shrank from it. But man took it on. He is indeed wrongdoing and ignorant. (33:72)

Those who disbelieve say, 'We will never believe in this Qur'an, nor in what came before it.' If only you could see when the wrongdoers, standing in the presence of their Lord, cast accusations back and forth at one another! Those deemed weak will say to those deemed great, 'Were it not for you, we would have been believers!' (34:31)

'Today you possess no power to help or harm one another.' And We will say to those who did wrong, 'Taste the punishment of the Fire which you denied.' (34:42)

Say: 'Have you thought about your partner gods, those you call upon besides Allah? Show me what they have created of the earth; or do they have a partnership in the heavens?' Have We given them a Book whose Clear Signs they follow? No indeed! The wrongdoers promise each other nothing but delusion. (35:40)

Assemble those who did wrong together with their associates and what they worshipped. (37:22)

Is someone who tries to shield himself with his face from the worst of the torment on the Day of Rising...? The wrongdoers will be told, 'Taste what you have earned.' (39:24)

Who could do greater wrong than those who lie about Allah and deny the truth when it comes to them? Do the disbelievers not have a dwelling place in Hell? (39:32)

If those who did wrong owned everything on earth, and the same again with it, they would offer it as a ransom to save themselves from the evil of the punishment on the Day of Rising. What confronts them from Allah will be something they did not reckon with. (39:47)

The evil deeds they earned caught up with them. And the evil deeds which the wrongdoers among these people earn will also catch up with them and they can do nothing to prevent it. (39:51)

The Forgiver of wrong action, the Acceptor of repentance, the Severe in retribution, the Possessor of abundance. There is no god but Him. He is the final destination. (40:3)

And warn them of the Day of Immediacy when hearts rise choking to the throat. The wrongdoers will have no close friend nor any intercessor who might be heard. (40:18)

Have they not travelled in the earth and seen the final fate of those before them? They were greater than them in strength and left far deeper traces on the earth, yet Allah seized them for their wrong actions and they had no one to protect them from Allah. (40:21)

The Day when the excuses of the wrongdoers will not help them. The curse will be on them and they will have the most evil Home. (40:52)

So remain steadfast. Allah's promise is true. Ask forgiveness for your wrong action and glorify your Lord with praise in the evening and the early morning. (40:55)

If Allah had willed, He would have made them a single nation. But He admits whoever He wills into His mercy and the wrongdoers have no protector and no helper. (42:8)

Or do they have partners who have laid down a religion for them for which Allah has not given any authority? Were it not for the prior Word of Decision, the judgement between them would already have been made. The wrongdoers will have a painful punishment. (42:21)

You will see the wrongdoers afraid of what they have earned, when it is about to land right on top of them, whereas those who believe and do right actions will be in the lush Meadows of the Gardens. They will have whatever they wish for with their Lord. That is the great favour. (42:22)

(Believers are) those who avoid major wrong actions and indecencies and who, when they are angered, then forgive. (42:37)

The repayment of a bad action is one equivalent to it. But if someone pardons and puts things right, his reward is with Allah. Certainly He does not love wrongdoers. (42:40)

Whoever Allah misguides has no one to protect them after that. You will see the wrongdoers saying, when they see the punishment, 'Is there no

way back?' (42:44)

You will see them as they are exposed to it, abject in their abasement, glancing around them furtively. Those who believe will say, 'Truly the losers are those who lose themselves and their families on the Day of Rising.' The wrongdoers are in an everlasting punishment. (42:45)

It will not benefit you today, since you did wrong, that you share equally in the punishment. (43:39)

The various factions among them differed. Woe then to those who did wrong on account of the punishment of a painful Day! (43:65)

We have not wronged them; it was they who were wrongdoers. (43:76)

They will not help you in any way against Allah. The wrongdoers are protectors of one another but Allah is the Protector of those who guard against evil. (45:19)

Say: 'What do you think? If it is from Allah and you reject it, when a witness from the tribe of Israel testifies to its similarity and believes while you are arrogant...! Allah certainly does not guide wrongdoing people.' (46:10)

But before it there was the Book of Musa as a model and a mercy. And this is a corroborating Book in the Arabic tongue so that you may warn those who do wrong, and as good news for the good-doers. (46:12)

Know then that there is no god except Allah and ask forgiveness for your wrongdoing, and for the men and women who believe. Allah knows both your activity and your repose. (47:19)

You who believe! People should not ridicule others who may be better than themselves; nor should any women ridicule other women who may be better than themselves. And do not find fault with one another or insult each other with derogatory nicknames. How evil it is to have a name for evil conduct after coming to faith! Those people who do not turn from it are wrongdoers. (49:11)

Those who do wrong will have their due, the same as that of their friends. So they should not hurry Me! (51:59)

They will pass round there (in the Gardens of Paradise) a drinking cup to one another with no

foolish talk and no wrong action in it. (52:23)

And those who do wrong will have a punishment besides that but most of them do not know it. (52:47)

To whoever avoids the major wrong actions and indecencies—except for minor lapses—truly your Lord is vast in forgiveness. He has most knowledge of you when He first produced you from the earth, and when you were embryos in your mothers' wombs. So do not claim purity for yourselves. He knows best those who guard against evil. (53:32)

They will hear no prattling in it (Gardens of Delight) nor any word of wrong. (56:25)

Before that they were living in luxury, persisting in immense wrongdoing. (56:45-46)

Do you not see those who were forbidden to confer together secretly returning to the very thing they were forbidden to do, and conferring together secretly in wrongdoing and enmity and disobedience to the Messenger? And when they come to you they greet you with words Allah has never used in greeting you, and say to themselves 'Why does Allah not punish us for what we say?' Hell will be enough for them! They will roast in it. What an evil destination! (58:8)

You who believe! When you confer together secretly, do not do so in wrongdoing and enmity and disobedience to the Messenger; rather confer together in goodness and fear of Allah. Have fear of Allah—Him to Whom you will be gathered. (58:9)

The final fate of both of them is that they will be timelessly, for ever in the Fire. That is the repayment of the wrongdoers. (59:17)

Allah merely forbids you from taking as friends those who have fought you in the religion and driven you from your homes and who supported your expulsion. Any who take them as friends are wrongdoers. (60:9)

Who could do greater wrong than someone who invents a lie against Allah when he has been called to Islam? Allah does not guide wrongdoing people. (61:7)

He will forgive you your wrong actions and admit you into Gardens with rivers flowing under them, and fine dwellings in the Gardens of Eden.

That is the Great Victory. (61:12)

But they will never ever wish for it because of what they have done. Allah knows the wrongdoers. (62:7)

Allah has made an example for those who believe: the wife of Pharaoh when she said, 'My Lord, build a house in the Garden for me in Your presence and rescue me from Pharaoh and his deeds and rescue me from this wrongdoing people.' (66:11)

Then they will acknowledge their wrong actions.

Away with the Companions of the Blaze! (67:11)

They said, 'Glory be to our Lord! Truly we have been wrongdoers.' (68:29)

(Nuh said, 'My Lord,) they have misguided many people. Do not increase the wrongdoers in anything but misguidance!' (71:24)

(Nuh said,) 'My Lord! Forgive me and my parents and all who enter my house as believers, and all the men and women of the believers. But do not increase the wrongdoers except in ruin!' (71:28)

He admits whoever He wills into His mercy. But He has prepared a painful punishment for the wrongdoers. (76:31)

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## YA'QUB (AS) (JACOB)

Ibrahim directed his sons to this, as did Ya'qub: 'My sons! Allah has chosen this religion for you, so do not die except as Muslims.' (2:132)

Or were you present when death came to Ya'qub and he said to his sons, 'What will you worship when I have gone?' They said, 'We will worship your God, the God of your forefathers, Ibrahim, Isma'il and Ishaq—one God. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:133)

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and 'Isa were given, and what all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (2:136)

Or do they say that Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes were Jews or Christians? Say, 'Do you know better or does Allah?' Who could do greater wrong than someone who hides the evidence he has been given by Allah? Allah is not unaware of what you do. (2:140)

Say, 'We believe in Allah and what has been sent down to us and what was sent down to Ibrahim, Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and what Musa and 'Isa and all the Prophets were given by their Lord. We do not differentiate between any of them. We are Muslims submitted to Him.' (3:84)

We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh and the Prophets who came after him. And We revealed to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and 'Isa and Ayyub and Yunus and Harun and Sulayman. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (4:163)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, each of whom We guided. And before him We had guided Nuh. And among his descendants were Dawud and Sulayman, and Ayyub, Yusuf, Musa and Harun. That is how We recompense the good-doers. (6:84)

His wife was standing there and she laughed out loud. So We gave her the good news of Ishaq,

and beyond Ishaq, Ya'qub. (11:71)  
(Zakariyya said, 'My Lord,) I fear my relatives when I am gone and my wife is barren, so give me an heir from You to be my inheritor and the inheritor of the family of Ya'qub, and make him, my Lord, pleasing to You.' (19:5-6)

When he had separated himself from them, and what they worshipped besides Allah, We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, making each of them a Prophet. (19:49)

Those are some of the Prophets Allah has blessed, from the descendants of Adam and from those We carried with Nuh, and from the descendants of Ibrahim and Isra'il (Ya'qub) and from those We guided and chose. When the Signs of the All-Merciful were recited to them they fell on their faces, weeping, in prostration. (19:58)

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub and placed Prophethood and the Book among his progeny. We gave him his reward in this world and in the hereafter he will be among the righteous. (29:27) And in addition to that We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub and made both of them righteous. We made them leaders, guiding by Our command, and revealed to them how to do good actions and perform prayer and give the alms, and they worshipped Us. (21:72-73)

And remember Our servants Ibrahim, Ishaq and Ya'qub, men of true strength and inner sight. We purified their sincerity through sincere remembrance of the Abode. In Our eyes they are among the best of chosen men. (38:45-47)

## YA'UQ

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## YAGHUTH

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## YAHYA (AS) (JOHN)

Then and there Zakariyya called on his Lord and said, 'O Lord, grant me by Your favour an upright child. You are the Hearer of Prayer.' The angels

called out to him while he was standing in prayer in the Upper Room: 'Allah gives you the good news of Yahya, who will come to confirm a Word from Allah, and will be a leader and a celibate, a Prophet and one of the righteous.' (3:38-39)

And Zakariyya, Yahya, 'Isa and Ilyas. All of them were among the righteous. (6:85)

(Zakariyya said, 'My Lord,) I fear my relatives when I am gone and my wife is barren, so give me an heir from You to be my inheritor and the inheritor of the family of Ya'qub, and make him, my Lord, pleasing to You.' (Allah said,) 'Zakariyya! We give you the good news of a boy named Yahya, a name we have given to no one else before.' (19:5-7)

(We said,) 'Yahya, take hold of the Book with vigour.' We gave him judgement while still a child, and tenderness and purity from Us—he guarded against evil—and devotion to his parents—he was not insolent or disobedient. Peace be upon him the day he was born, and the day he dies, and the day he is raised up again alive. (19:12-15)

We responded to him and gave him Yahya, restoring for him his wife's fertility. They outdid one another in good actions, calling out to Us in yearning and in awe, and humbling themselves to Us. (21:90)

### **YAJUJ AND MAJUJ (GOG AND MAGOG)**

They said, 'Dhu'l-Qarnayn! Yajuj and Majuj are causing corruption in the land. Can we, therefore, pay tribute to you in return for your constructing a barrier between us and them?' (18:94) When Yajuj and Majuj are let loose and rush down from every slope, and the True Promise is very close, the eyes of those who disbelieved will be transfixed: 'Alas for us! We were unmindful of this! No, rather we were definitely wrongdoers.' (21:96-97)

### **YATHRIB**

And a group of them said, 'People of Yathrib, Your position is untenable so return!' some of them asked the Prophet to excuse them, saying, 'Our houses are exposed,' when they were not

exposed; it was merely that they wanted to run away. (33:13)

### **YOUTH**

Circulating among them there will be youths like hidden pearls. (52:24)

There will circulate among them, ageless youths. (56:17)

Ageless youths will circulate among them, serving them. Seeing them, you would think them scattered pearls. (76:19)

### **YUNUS (AS) (JONAH)**

We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh and the Prophets who came after him. And We revealed to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and 'Isa and Ayyub and Yunus and Harun and Sulayman. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (4:163)

And Isma'il, al-Yasa', Yunus and Lut. All of them We favoured over all beings. And some of their forebears, descendants and brothers; We chose them and guided them to a straight path. (6:86-87)

How is it that there has never been a city that believed, whose faith then brought it benefit, except the people of Yunus? When they believed We removed from them the punishment of disgrace in the life of this world and We let them have enjoyment for a time. (10:98)

Yunus too was one of the Messengers. When he ran away to the fully laden ship and cast lots and lost. Then the fish devoured him and he was to blame. Had it not been that he was a man who glorified Allah, he would have remained inside its belly until the Day they are raised again. So We cast him up onto the beach and he was sick; and We caused a gourd tree to grow over him. We sent him to a hundred thousand or even more. They believed and so We gave them enjoyment for a time. (37:139-148)

And Dhu'n-Nun (Yunus) when he left in anger and thought We would not punish him. He called out in the pitch darkness: 'There is no god but You! Glory be to You! Truly I have been one of the wrongdoers.' We responded to him and rescued him from his grief. That is how We res-

cue the believers. (21:87-88)

So wait steadfastly for the judgement of your Lord. Do not be like the Companion of the Fish (Yunus) when he called out in absolute despair. Had a blessing from his Lord not overtaken him, he would have been thrown up on the naked shore, for he was at fault. But his Lord chose him and made him one of the righteous. (68:48-50)

### **YUSUF (AS) (JOSEPH)**

We gave him Ishaq and Ya'qub, each of whom We guided. And before him We had guided Nuh. And among his descendants were Dawud and Sulayman, and Ayyub, Yusuf, Musa and Harun. That is how We recompense the good-doers. (6:84)

We tell you the best of stories in revealing this Qur'an to you, even though you were unaware of it before it came. (12:3)

When Yusuf told his father, 'Father! I saw eleven bright stars, and the sun and moon as well. I saw them all prostrate in front of me.' (12:4)

He said, 'My son, don't tell your brothers your dream lest they devise some scheme to injure you, Satan is a clear-cut enemy to man. Accordingly your Lord will pick you out and teach you the true meaning of events and perfectly fulfil His blessing on you as well as on the family of Ya'qub as He fulfilled it perfectly before upon your forebears, Ibrahim and Ishaq. Most certainly your Lord is Knowing, Wise.' (12:5-6) In Yusuf and his brothers there are Signs for every one of those who wants to ask. (12:7)

When they declared, 'Why! Yusuf and his brother are dearer to our father than we are although we constitute a powerful group. Our father is clearly making a mistake. Kill Yusuf or expel him to some land so that your father will look to you alone and then you can be people who do right.' (12:8-9)

One of them said, 'Do not take Yusuf's life but throw him to the bottom of the well, so that some travellers may discover him, if this is something that you have to do.' (12:10)

They said, 'Our Father! What is wrong with you that you refuse to trust us with Yusuf when in truth we only wish him well? Why don't you

send him out with us tomorrow so he can enjoy himself and play about? All of us will make sure that he is safe.' (12:11-12)

He said, 'It grieves me to let him go with you I fear a wolf might come and eat him up while you are heedless, not attending him.' (12:13)

They said, 'If a wolf does come and eat him up when together we make up a powerful group in that case we would truly be in loss!' (12:14)

But when, in fact, they did go out with him and gathered all together and agreed to put him at the bottom of the well, We then revealed to him that: 'You will inform them of this deed they perpetrate at a time when they are totally unaware.' (12:15)

That night they came back to their father in tears, saying, 'Father, we went out to run a race and left Yusuf together with our things and then a wolf appeared and ate him up but you are never going to believe us now, not even though we really tell the truth.' (12:16-17)

They then produced his shirt with false blood on it. He said, 'It is merely that your lower selves have suggested something to you which you did; but beauty lies in showing steadfastness. It is Allah alone Who is my Help in face of the event that you describe.' (12:18)

Some travellers came that way and then dispatched their water-drawer who let his bucket down. He said, 'Good news for me, I've found a boy!' They then hid him away among their goods. Allah knew very well what they were doing. (12:19)

They sold him for a pittance, a few small coins, considering him to be of little worth. (12:20)

The Egyptian who had bought him told his wife, 'Look after him with honour and respect. It's possible he will be of use to us or perhaps we might adopt him as a son.' And thus We established Yusuf in the land to teach him the true meaning of events. Allah is in control of His affair. However, most of mankind do not know. (12:21) And then when he became a full-grown man, We gave him knowledge and right judgement too. That is how We reward all doers of good. (12:22) The woman whose house it was solicited him. She barred the doors and said, 'Come over here!'

He said, 'Allah is my refuge! He is My lord and has been good to me with where I live. Those who do wrong will surely not succeed.' (12:23) She wanted him and he would have wanted her, had he not seen the Clear Proof of his Lord. That happened so We might avert from him all evil and lust. He was Our chosen servant. (12:24) They raced to the door. She tore his shirt at the back. They met her husband by the door. She said, 'How should a man whose intention was to harm your family be punished for what he did except with prison or painful punishment?' (12:25)

He said, 'It was she who tried to seduce me.' A witness from her people then declared, 'If his shirt is torn in front, she speaks the truth and he has clearly told a shameless lie. If his shirt is torn at the back, then she has lied and he has clearly told the simple truth.' (12:26-27)

He saw the shirt torn at the back and said, 'The source of this is women's deviousness. Without a doubt your guile is very great. Yusuf, ignore all this, and you, my wife, should ask forgiveness for your evil act. There is no doubt that you are in the wrong.' Some city women said, 'The governor's wife solicited her slave. He's fired her heart with love. We see that she's the one to blame.' But when she heard of their malicious talk, she sent for them and made a sumptuous meal and then she gave a knife to each of them. She said, 'Go out to them.' When they saw him, they were amazed by him and cut their hands. They said, 'Allah preserve us! This is no man. What can this be but a noble angel here!' She said, 'You see! It's him you blamed me for. I tried seducing him but he refused. If he does not do what I order him, he will be put in prison and brought low.' He said, 'My Lord, the prison is preferable to me than what they call on me to do. Unless You turn their guile away from me, it may well be that I will fall for them and so become a man of ignorance.' His Lord replied to him and turned away from him their female guile and deviousness. He is the One Who Hears, the One Who Knows. Then, after they had seen the Signs, they thought that they should still imprison him for a time. Two servants entered prison along with him. One said, 'I

dreamt that I was pressing grapes.' The other said, 'I dreamt I carried bread upon my head and birds were eating it. Tell us the true meaning of these dreams. We see that you're one of the righteous.' He said, 'No meal to feed you will arrive before I have informed you what they mean. That is part of what my Lord taught me. For I have left the religion of a people who clearly have no faith in Allah and who refuse to acknowledge the truth of the world to come. I hold fast to the creed of my forebears Ibrahim and Ishaq and Ya'qub. We don't associate anything with Allah. And that is how Allah has favoured us and all mankind, but most do not give thanks. My fellow-prisoners, are many lords better, or Allah, the only One, the Conqueror? What you serve apart from Him are only names which you and your forefathers have made up. There is no mandate for them from Allah. Allah alone is qualified to judge. His order is to worship none but Him. That is in truth the straight and upright religion, but most of mankind simply do not know. My fellow-captives, one of you will serve his lord with wine, the other of you will be crucified and birds will eat his head. The thing you asked about is foreordained.' He said to the one of them he knew was saved, 'Please mention me when you are with your lord,' but Satan made him forget to remind his lord, and so he stayed in prison for several years. The King declared, 'I dreamt of seven fat cows which seven thin ones ate and seven green ears of wheat and seven others which were dry. O counsellors! Explain my dream to me if you are those who can interpret visions!' (12:28-43) They said, 'A jumbled mass of mixed-up dreams! We do not know the meaning of such things.' The one of them who had been saved then said, remembering after a period, 'I will tell you what it signifies, so send me out.' 'O truthful Yusuf, tell us of seven fat cows which seven thin ones ate and seven green ears of wheat and seven others which were dry so that I can return to them and let them know.' He said, 'Sow for seven years in the normal way and leave that which you harvest in the ear except for a small amount from which you eat. Then after that seven hard years will arrive in which you can eat from what you set

aside for them, except for a little which you store. Then after that another year will come in which the people will be helped by rain in plenty and when they once more will press.' The King said, 'Bring him to me straight away!' but when the envoy came to him, he said, 'Go back to your master and enquire of him what happened about the women who cut their hands. My Lord has knowledge of their cunning guile.' He said, 'What was this past affair of yours when you solicited Yusuf?' Then they said 'Allah forbid! We know no bad of him.' The governor's wife then said, 'The truth has now emerged. Indeed I tried to seduce him then and he has simply told the honest truth.' (Yusuf said,) 'In this way he may know at last that I did not dishonour him behind his back and that Allah most surely does not guide the deviousness of the dishonourable.'

(12:44-52)

(Yusuf said,) 'I do not say my self was free from blame. The self indeed commands to evil acts--except for those my Lord has mercy on. My Lord, He is Forgiving, Merciful.' The King said, 'Bring him to me straight away! So I may draw him very close to me.' When he had spoken with him, he declared, 'Today you are trusted, established in our sight.' He said, 'Entrust the country's stores to me. In truth I am a knowing guardian.' And thus We established Yusuf in the land so he could live in any place he pleased. We grant Our grace to anyone We will and We do not allow to go to waste the wage of any people who do good. But the wages of the hereafter are the best for people who believe and fear their Lord. The brothers of Yusuf came into his presence and he knew them but they did not know him. Then, having supplied their needs, he said to them, 'Bring me your brother, your father's youngest son. Do you not see that I dispense full measure and am the most hospitable of hosts? But if you do not bring him here to me, your measure from me then will be denied and you will not come near to me at all.' They said, 'We will request our father for him. That is something we will surely do.' He told his serving men, 'Put back their goods into their saddlebags for them to find when they arrive back to their families so that

perhaps they will return again.' Then when they got back to their father's house, they said, 'Father! Our measure has been denied. Please send our brother with us so we may obtain our measure. We will take care of him.' He said, 'How will my trusting him to your care be different from entrusting his brother before? The Best of Guardians, however, is Allah. He is the Most Merciful of the merciful.' Then when they opened up their saddlebags and found their merchandise returned to them, they said, 'Our father! What more could we ask! Here is our merchandise returned to us. We can provide our families with food, and guard our brother and get an extra load. That is an easy measure to obtain.' He said, 'I will not send him out with you until you make a covenant with Allah to bring him home unless you are overwhelmed.' When they had made their covenant, he said, 'Allah is Guardian over what we say.' He said, 'My sons! You must not enter through a single gate. Go in through different gates. But I cannot save you from Allah at all, for judgement comes from no one but Allah. In Him I put my trust, and let all those who put their trust, put it in Him alone.'

(12:53-67)

But when they entered as their father said, it did not save them from Allah at all, yet a need in Ya'qub's soul was satisfied. He had knowledge which We had taught him, but most of mankind simply do not know. Then when they entered into Yusuf's presence, he drew his brother close to him and said, 'I am your brother. Do not be distressed concerning all the things they used to do.' Then when he had supplied them with their needs, he put the goblet in his brother's bag. A herald called out, 'Caravan! You are thieves!' They turned to them and said, 'What are you missing?' They said, 'We're missing the goblet of the king. The man who brings it will get a camel's load. Regarding that I stand as guarantor.' They said, 'By Allah, you know we did not come to corrupt the land and that we are not thieves.' They said, 'What is the reparation for it if it in fact transpires that you are liars?' They said, 'Its reparation shall be him in the saddlebags of whom it is discovered. With us that is how wrongdoers

are repaid.' He started with their bags before his brother's and then produced it from his brother's bag. In that way We devised a cunning scheme for Yusuf. He could not have held his brother according to the statutes of the King—only because Allah had willed it so. We raise the rank of anyone We will. Over everyone with knowledge is a Knower. They said, 'If he steals now, his brother stole before.' But Yusuf kept it to himself and still did not disclose it to them, saying, 'The plight that you are in is worse than that. Allah knows best the matter you describe.' They said, 'Your Eminence! He has an old and venerable father, so take one of us instead of him. We see without a doubt that you are of the people who do good.' He said, 'Allah forbid that we should take anyone but him with whom our goods were found. In that case we would clearly be wrongdoers.' When they despaired of him, they went apart to talk alone. The eldest of them said, 'You know full well your father had you make a covenant with Allah concerning this, and how before you failed him with Yusuf. I will not leave this land until I have permission from my father, or Allah decides about the case on my behalf. Truly He is the justest Judge of all. Return now to your father and say to him, "Your son stole, father. We can do no more than testify to what we know and we are not the guardians of the Unseen. Ask questions of the town in which we were and of the caravan in which we came for we are surely telling you the truth." (12:68-82)

He (their father) said, 'It's merely that your lower selves suggested something to you which you did. But beauty lies in having steadfastness. Perhaps Allah will bring them all together. He is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise.' He turned himself away from them and said, 'What anguish is my sorrow for Yusuf!' And then his eyes turned white from hidden grief. They said, 'By Allah, you will not ever cease to mention Yusuf, till you waste away or are among the people of the grave!' He said, 'I make complaint about my grief and sorrow to Allah alone because I know things from Allah you do not know. My sons! Seek news of Yusuf and his brother. Do not despair of solace from Allah. No one despairs of solace from Allah

except for people who are disbelievers.' So when they came into his presence, they said, 'Your Eminence! Hardship has hit us and our families. We bring scant merchandise, but fill the measure for us generously. Allah always rewards a generous giver.' He said, 'Are you aware of what you did to Yusuf and his brother in ignorance?' They said, 'Are you Yusuf?' He said, 'I am indeed Yusuf, and this here is my brother. Allah has acted graciously to us. As for those who fear Allah and are steadfast, Allah does not allow to go to waste the wage of any people who do good.' They said, 'By Allah, Allah has favoured you above us. Clearly we were in the wrong.' He said, 'No blame at all will fall on you. Today you have forgiveness from Allah. He is the Most Merciful of the merciful. Go with this shirt of mine and cast it on my father's face and he will see again. Then come to me with all your families.' (12:83-93)

And when the caravan went on its way, their father said, 'I can smell Yusuf's scent! You probably think I have become senile.' They said, 'By Allah! Your mind is still astray.' But when the bringer of the good news came, he cast it on his face and sight returned. He said, 'Did I not say to you before, I know things from Allah you do not know?' They said, 'Our father, may we be forgiven for all the many wrongs that we have done. We were indeed greatly mistaken men.' He said, 'I will ask my Lord to pardon you. He is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful.' Then when they entered into Yusuf's presence, he drew his parents close to him and said, 'Enter Egypt safe and sound, if Allah wills.' He raised his parents up onto the throne. The others fell prostrate in front of him. He said, 'My father, truly this is now the interpretation of the dream I had. My Lord has made it all come true; and He was kind to me by letting me out of prison and brought you from the desert when Satan had caused dissent between me and my brothers. My Lord is kind to anyone He wills. He is indeed All-Knowing and All-Wise. My Lord, You have granted power to me on earth and taught me the true meaning of events. Originator of the heavens and earth, You are my Friend in this world and the Next. So take me as

a Muslim at my death and join me to the people who are righteous.' This is news of the Unseen which We reveal to you. You were not with them when they decided what to do and devised their scheme. But most people, for all your eagerness, are not believers. You do not ask them for any wage for it. It is only a reminder to all beings. (12:94-104)

(The man who believed said, 'My people! Yusuf brought you the Clear Signs before, but you never stopped doubting what he brought to you to the extent that when he died, you said, "Allah will never send another Messenger after him." That is how Allah misguides those who are unbridled and full of doubt.' (40:34)

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### ZABUR (PSALMS)

We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh and the Prophets who came after him. And We revealed to Ibrahim and Isma'il and Ishaq and Ya'qub and the Tribes, and 'Isa and Ayyub and Yunus and Harun and Sulayman. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (4:163)

My Lord knows best everyone in the heavens and earth. We favoured some of the Prophets over others. And We gave Dawud the Zabur. (17:55) We wrote down in the Zabur, after the Reminder came: 'It is My servants who are righteous who will inherit the earth.' (21:105)

### ZAKAH (SEE ALMS)

### ZAKARIYYA (AS)

Her Lord accepted her with approval and made her grow in health and beauty. And Zakariyya became her guardian. Every time Zakariyya visited her in the Upper Room, he found food with her. He said, 'Maryam, how did you come by this?' She said, 'It is from Allah. Allah provides for whoever He wills without any reckoning.' Then and there Zakariyya called on his Lord and said, 'O Lord, grant me by Your favour an upright child. You are the Hearer of Prayer.' The angels called out to him while he was standing in prayer in the Upper Room: 'Allah gives you the good news of Yahya, who will come to confirm a Word from Allah, and will be a leader and a celibate, a Prophet and one of the righteous.' He said, 'My Lord, how can I possibly have a son when I have reached old age and my wife is barren?' He said, 'It will be so. Allah does whatever He wills.' He said, 'My Lord, appoint a Sign for me.' He said, 'Your Sign is that you will not speak to people for three days, except by gesture. Remember your Lord much and glorify Him in the evening and after dawn.' (3:37-41)

And Zakariyya, Yahya, 'Isa and Ilyas. All of them were among the righteous. (6:85)

Remembering your Lord's mercy to His servant Zakariyya, when he called on his Lord in secret and said, 'My Lord, my bones have lost their

strength and my head is crowned with white, but in calling on You, My Lord, I have never been disappointed. I fear my relatives when I am gone and my wife is barren, so give me an heir from You to be my inheritor and the inheritor of the family of Ya'qub, and make him, my Lord, pleasing to You.' 'Zakariyya! We give you the good news of a boy named Yahya, a name we have given to no one else before.' He said, 'My Lord! How can I have a boy when my wife is barren and I have reached advanced old age?' He said, 'It will be so! Your Lord says, "That is easy for me to do. I created you before, when you were not anything." He said, 'My Lord, give me a Sign.' He said, 'Your Sign is not to speak to people for three nights despite the fact that you are perfectly able to.' He came out to his people from the Upper Room and gestured to them to glorify Allah in the morning and the evening. (19:2-11) And Zakariyya when he called out to his Lord, 'My Lord, do not leave me on my own, though You are the Best of Inheritors.' (21:89)

### ZAQQUM

Is that better by way of hospitality or the tree of Zaqqum which We have made to be an ordeal for the wrongdoers? (37:62-63)

It is a tree that emerges in the depths of the Blazing Fire. (37:64)

Its fruits are just like the heads of Satans. (37:65) They will eat from it and fill their bellies with it. (37:66)

The Tree of az-Zaqqum is the food of the wicked, seething in the belly like molten brass, as boiling water bubbles and seethes. (44:43-46)

Then you, you misguided, you deniers will eat from the tree of Zaqqum, filling your stomachs with it. (56:51-53)

### ZAYD

When you said to him whom Allah has blessed and you yourself have greatly favoured, 'Keep your wife to yourself and have fear of Allah,' while concealing something in yourself which Allah wished to bring to light, you were fearing people when Allah has more right to your fear. Then when Zayd divorced her We married her to

you so that there should be no restriction for the believers regarding the wives of their adopted sons when they have divorced them. Allah's command is always carried out. (33:37)

**ZIHAR (SEE EQUATING ONE'S WIFE WITH ONE'S MOTHER)**

**ZINAH (SEE FORNICATION)**

**ZULM (SEE WRONG - WRONGDOING - WRONGDOER)**

# THE DECEPTION OF EVOLUTION

Darwinism, in other words the theory of evolution, was put forward with the aim of denying the fact of creation, but is in truth nothing but failed, unscientific nonsense. This theory, which claims that life emerged by chance from inanimate matter, was invalidated by the scientific evidence of clear "design" in the universe and in living things. In this way, science confirmed the fact that Allah created the universe and the living things in it. The propaganda carried out today in order to keep the theory of evolution alive is based solely on the distortion of the scientific facts, biased interpretation, and lies and falsehoods disguised as science.

Yet this propaganda cannot conceal the truth. The fact that the theory of evolution is the greatest deception in the history of science has been expressed more and more in the scientific world over the last 20-30 years. Research carried out after the 1980s in particular has revealed that the claims of Darwinism are totally unfounded, something that has been stated by a large number of scientists. In the United States in particular, many scientists from such different fields as biology, biochemistry and paleontology recognize the invalidity of Darwinism and employ the concept of intelligent design to account for the origin of life. This "intelligent design" is a scientific expression of the fact that Allah created all living things.

We have examined the collapse of the theory of evolution and the proofs of creation in great scientific detail in many of our works, and are still continuing to do so. Given the enormous importance of this subject, it will be of great benefit to summarize it here.

## **The Scientific Collapse of Darwinism**

Although this doctrine goes back as far as ancient Greece, the theory of evolution was advanced extensively in the nineteenth century. The most important development that made it the top topic of the world of science was Charles Darwin's *The Origin of Species*, published in 1859. In this book, he denied that Allah created different living species on Earth separately, for he claimed that all living beings had a common ancestor and had diversified over time through small changes. Darwin's theory was not based on any concrete scientific finding; as he also accepted, it was just an "assumption." Moreover, as Darwin confessed in the long chapter of his book titled "Difficulties of the Theory," the theory failed in the face of many critical questions.

Darwin invested all of his hopes in new scientific discoveries, which he expected to solve these difficulties. However, contrary to his expectations, scientific findings expanded the dimensions of these difficulties. The defeat of Darwinism in the face of science can be reviewed under three basic topics:

- 1) The theory cannot explain how life originated on Earth.
- 2) No scientific finding shows that the "evolutionary mechanisms" proposed by the theory have any evolutionary power at all.
- 3) The fossil record proves the exact opposite of what the theory suggests.

In this section, we will examine these three basic points in general outlines:

### **The First Insurmountable Step: The Origin of Life**

The theory of evolution posits that all living species evolved from a single living cell that emerged on the primitive Earth 3.8 billion years ago. How a single cell could generate millions of complex living species

and, if such an evolution really occurred, why traces of it cannot be observed in the fossil record are some of the questions that the theory cannot answer. However, first and foremost, we need to ask: How did this "first cell" originate?

Since the theory of evolution denies creation and any kind of supernatural intervention, it maintains that the "first cell" originated coincidentally within the laws of nature, without any design, plan or arrangement. According to the theory, inanimate matter must have produced a living cell as a result of coincidences. Such a claim, however, is inconsistent with the most unassailable rules of biology.

## **"Life Comes from Life"**

In his book, Darwin never referred to the origin of life. The primitive understanding of science in his time rested on the assumption that living beings had a very simple structure. Since medieval times, spontaneous generation, which asserts that non-living materials came together to form living organisms, had been widely accepted. It was commonly believed that insects came into being from food leftovers, and mice from wheat. Interesting experiments were conducted to prove this theory. Some wheat was placed on a dirty piece of cloth, and it was believed that mice would originate from it after a while.

Similarly, maggots developing in rotting meat was assumed to be evidence of spontaneous generation. However, it was later understood that worms did not appear on meat spontaneously, but were carried there by flies in the form of larvae, invisible to the naked eye.

Even when Darwin wrote *The Origin of Species*, the belief that bacteria could come into existence from non-living matter was widely accepted in the world of science.

However, five years after the publication of Darwin's book, Louis Pasteur announced his results after long studies and experiments, that disproved spontaneous generation, a cornerstone of

Darwin's theory. In his triumphal lecture at the Sorbonne in 1864, Pasteur said: "Never will the doctrine of spontaneous generation recover from the mortal blow struck by this simple experiment."<sup>1</sup>

For a long time, advocates of the theory of evolution resisted these findings. However, as the development of science unraveled the complex structure of the cell of a living being, the idea that life could come into being coincidentally faced an even greater impasse.

## Inconclusive Efforts in the Twentieth Century

The first evolutionist who took up the subject of the origin of life in the twentieth century was the renowned Russian biologist Alexander Oparin. With various theses he advanced in the 1930s, he tried to prove that a living cell could originate by coincidence. These studies, however, were doomed to failure, and Oparin had to make the following confession:

*Unfortunately, however, the problem of the origin of the cell is perhaps the most obscure point in the whole study of the evolution of organisms.<sup>2</sup>*

Evolutionist followers of Oparin tried to carry out experiments to solve this problem. The best known experiment was carried out by the American chemist Stanley Miller in 1953. Combining the gases he alleged to have existed in the primordial Earth's atmosphere in an experiment set-up, and adding energy to the mixture, Miller synthesized several organic molecules (amino acids) present in the structure of proteins.

Barely a few years had passed before it was revealed that this experiment, which was then presented as an important step in the name of evolution, was invalid, for the atmosphere used in the experiment was very different from the real Earth conditions.<sup>3</sup>

After a long silence, Miller confessed that the atmosphere medium he used was unrealistic.<sup>4</sup>

All the evolutionists' efforts throughout the twentieth century to explain the origin of life ended in failure. The geochemist Jeffrey Bada, from the San Diego Scripps Institute accepts this fact in an article published in *Earth* magazine in 1998:

*Today as we leave the twentieth century, we still face the biggest unsolved problem that we had when we entered the twentieth century: How did life originate on Earth?*<sup>5</sup>

## The Complex Structure of Life

The primary reason why the theory of evolution ended up in such a great impasse regarding the origin of life is that even those living organisms deemed to be the simplest have incredibly complex structures. The cell of a living thing is more complex than all of our man-made technological products. Today, even in the most developed laboratories of the world, a living cell cannot be produced by bringing organic chemicals together.

The conditions required for the formation of a cell are too great in quantity to be explained away by coincidences. The probability of proteins, the building blocks of a cell, being synthesized coincidentally, is 1 in  $10^{950}$  for an average protein made up of 500 amino acids. In mathematics, a probability smaller than 1 over  $10^{50}$  is considered to be impossible in practical terms.

The DNA molecule, which is located in the nucleus of a cell and which stores genetic information, is an incredible databank. If the information coded in DNA were written down, it would make a giant library consisting of an estimated 900 volumes of encyclopedias consisting of 500 pages each.

A very interesting dilemma emerges at this point: DNA can replicate itself only with the help of some specialized proteins (enzymes). However, the synthesis of these enzymes can be realized only by the information coded in DNA. As they both depend on each other, they have to exist at the same time for replication. This brings the scenario that life originated by itself to a deadlock. Prof. Leslie Orgel, an evolutionist of epute from the University of San Diego, California, confesses this fact in the September 1994 issue of the *Scientific American* magazine:

*It is extremely improbable that proteins and nucleic acids, both of which are structurally complex, arose spontaneously in the same place at the same time. Yet it also seems impossible to have one without the other. And so, at first glance, one might have to conclude that life could never, in fact, have originated by chemical means.<sup>6</sup>*

No doubt, if it is impossible for life to have originated from natural causes, then it has to be accepted that life was "created" in a supernatural way. This fact explicitly invalidates the theory of evolution, whose main purpose is to deny creation.

## **Imaginary Mechanisms of Evolution**

The second important point that negates Darwin's theory is that both concepts put forward by the theory as "evolutionary mechanisms" were understood to have, in reality, no evolutionary power.

Darwin based his evolution allegation entirely on the mechanism of "natural selection." The importance he placed on this mechanism was evident in the name of his book: *The Origin of Species, By Means of Natural Selection...*

Natural selection holds that those living things that are stronger and more suited to the natural conditions of their habitats will survive in the struggle for life. For example, in a deer herd under the threat of attack by wild animals, those that can run faster will survive. Therefore, the deer herd will be comprised of faster and stronger individuals. However, un-

questionably, this mechanism will not cause deer to evolve and transform themselves into another living species, for instance, horses.

Therefore, the mechanism of natural selection has no evolutionary power. Darwin was also aware of this fact and had to state this in his book *The Origin of Species*:

*Natural selection can do nothing until favourable individual differences or variations occur.<sup>7</sup>*

## Lamarck's Impact

So, how could these "favorable variations" occur? Darwin tried to answer this question from the standpoint of the primitive understanding of science at that time. According to the French biologist Chevalier de Lamarck (1744-1829), who lived before Darwin, living creatures passed on the traits they acquired during their lifetime to the next generation. He asserted that these traits, which accumulated from one generation to another, caused new species to be formed. For instance, he claimed that giraffes evolved from antelopes; as they struggled to eat the leaves of high trees, their necks were extended from generation to generation.

Darwin also gave similar examples. In his book *The Origin of Species*, for instance, he said that some bears going into water to find food transformed themselves into whales over time.<sup>8</sup>

However, the laws of inheritance discovered by Gregor Mendel (1822-84) and verified by the science of genetics, which flourished in the twentieth century, utterly demolished the legend that acquired traits were passed on to subsequent generations. Thus, natural selection fell out of favor as an evolutionary mechanism.

## Neo-Darwinism and Mutations

In order to find a solution, Darwinists advanced the "Modern Synthetic Theory," or as it is more commonly known, Neo-Darwinism,

at the end of the 1930's. Neo-Darwinism added mutations, which are distortions formed in the genes of living beings due to such external factors as radiation or replication errors, as the "cause of favorable variations" in addition to natural mutation.

Today, the model that stands for evolution in the world is Neo-Darwinism. The theory maintains that millions of living beings formed as a result of a process whereby numerous complex organs of these organisms (e.g., ears, eyes, lungs, and wings) underwent "mutations," that is, genetic disorders. Yet, there is an outright scientific fact that totally undermines this theory: Mutations do not cause living beings to develop; on the contrary, they are always harmful.

The reason for this is very simple: DNA has a very complex structure, and random effects can only harm it. The American geneticist B.G. Ranganathan explains this as follows:

*First, genuine mutations are very rare in nature. Secondly, most mutations are harmful since they are random, rather than orderly changes in the structure of genes; any random change in a highly ordered system will be for the worse, not for the better. For example, if an earthquake were to shake a highly ordered structure such as a building, there would be a random change in the framework of the building which, in all probability, would not be an improvement.<sup>9</sup>*

Not surprisingly, no mutation example, which is useful, that is, which is observed to develop the genetic code, has been observed so far. All mutations have proved to be harmful. It was understood that mutation, which is presented as an "evolutionary mechanism," is actually a genetic occurrence that harms living things, and leaves them disabled. (The most common effect of mutation on human beings is cancer.) Of course, a destructive mechanism cannot be an "evolutionary mechanism." Natural selection, on the other hand, "can do nothing by itself," as Darwin also accepted. This fact shows us that there is no "evolutionary mechanism" in nature. Since no evolutionary mechanism exists, no such any imaginary process called "evolution" could have taken place.

## The Fossil Record: No Sign of Intermediate Forms

The clearest evidence that the scenario suggested by the theory of evolution did not take place is the fossil record.

According to this theory, every living species has sprung from a predecessor. A previously existing species turned into something else over time and all species have come into being in this way. In other words, this transformation proceeds gradually over millions of years.

Had this been the case, numerous intermediary species should have existed and lived within this long transformation period.

For instance, some half-fish/half-reptiles should have lived in the past which had acquired some reptilian traits in addition to the fish traits they already had. Or there should have existed some reptile-birds, which acquired some bird traits in addition to the reptilian traits they already had. Since these would be in a transitional phase, they should be disabled, defective, crippled living beings. Evolutionists refer to these imaginary creatures, which they believe to have lived in the past, as "transitional forms."

If such animals ever really existed, there should be millions and even billions of them in number and variety. More importantly, the remains of these strange creatures should be present in the fossil record. In *The Origin of Species*, Darwin explained:

*If my theory be true, numberless intermediate varieties, linking most closely all of the species of the same group together must assuredly have existed.... Consequently, evidence of their former existence could be found only amongst fossil remains.<sup>10</sup>*

## Darwin's Hopes Shattered

However, although evolutionists have been making strenuous efforts to find fossils since the middle of the nineteenth century all over

the world, no transitional forms have yet been uncovered. All of the fossils, contrary to the evolutionists' expectations, show that life appeared on Earth all of a sudden and fully-formed.

One famous British paleontologist, Derek V. Ager, admits this fact, even though he is an evolutionist:

*The point emerges that if we examine the fossil record in detail, whether at the level of orders or of species, we find – over and over again – not gradual evolution, but the sudden explosion of one group at the expense of another.<sup>11</sup>*

This means that in the fossil record, all living species suddenly emerge as fully formed, without any intermediate forms in between. This is just the opposite of Darwin's assumptions. Also, this is very strong evidence that all living things are created. The only explanation of a living species emerging suddenly and complete in every detail without any evolutionary ancestor is that it was created. This fact is admitted also by the widely known evolutionist biologist Douglas Futuyma:

*Creation and evolution, between them, exhaust the possible explanations for the origin of living things. Organisms either appeared on the earth fully developed or they did not. If they did not, they must have developed from pre-existing species by some process of modification. If they did appear in a fully developed state, they must indeed have been created by some omnipotent intelligence.<sup>12</sup>*

Fossils show that living beings emerged fully developed and in a perfect state on the earth. That means that "the origin of species," contrary to Darwin's supposition, is not evolution, but creation.

## **The Tale of Human Evolution**

The subject most often brought up by advocates of the theory of evolution is the subject of the origin of man. The Darwinist claim holds that modern man evolved from ape-like creatures. During this

alleged evolutionary process, which is supposed to have started 4-5 million years ago, some "transitional forms" between modern man and his ancestors are supposed to have existed. According to this completely imaginary scenario, four basic "categories" are listed:

1. *Australopithecus*
2. *Homo habilis*
3. *Homo erectus*
4. *Homo sapiens*

Evolutionists call man's so-called first ape-like ancestors *Australopithecus*, which means "South African ape." These living beings are actually nothing but an old ape species that has become extinct. Extensive research done on various *Australopithecus* specimens by two world famous anatomists from England and the USA, namely, Lord Solly Zuckerman and Prof. Charles Oxnard, shows that these apes belonged to an ordinary ape species that became extinct and bore no resemblance to humans.<sup>13</sup>

Evolutionists classify the next stage of human evolution as "*homo*," that is "man." According to their claim, the living beings in the *Homo* series are more developed than *Australopithecus*. Evolutionists devise a fanciful evolution scheme by arranging different fossils of these creatures in a particular order. This scheme is imaginary because it has never been proved that there is an evolutionary relation between these different classes. Ernst Mayr, one of the twentieth century's most important evolutionists, contends in his book *One Long Argument* that "particularly historical [puzzles] such as the origin of life or of *Homo sapiens*, are extremely difficult and may even resist a final, satisfying explanation."<sup>14</sup>

By outlining the link chain as *Australopithecus* > *Homo habilis* > *Homo erectus* > *Homo sapiens*, evolutionists imply that each of these species is one another's ancestor. However, recent findings of paleoanthropologists have revealed that *Australopithecus*, *Homo habilis*, and *Homo erectus* lived at different parts of the world at the same time.<sup>15</sup>

Moreover, a certain segment of humans classified as *Homo erectus* have lived up until very modern times. *Homo sapiens neanderthalensis* and *Homo sapiens sapiens* (modern man) co-existed in the same region.<sup>16</sup>

This situation apparently indicates the invalidity of the claim that they are ancestors of one another. A paleontologist from Harvard University, Stephen Jay Gould, explains this deadlock of the theory of evolution, although he is an evolutionist himself:

*What has become of our ladder if there are three coexisting lineages of hominids (A. africanus, the robust australopithecines, and H. habilis), none clearly derived from another? Moreover, none of the three display any evolutionary trends during their tenure on earth.*<sup>17</sup>

Put briefly, the scenario of human evolution, which is "upheld" with the help of various drawings of some "half ape, half human" creatures appearing in the media and course books, that is, frankly, by means of propaganda, is nothing but a tale with no scientific foundation.

Lord Solly Zuckerman, one of the most famous and respected scientists in the U.K., who carried out research on this subject for years and studied *Australopithecus* fossils for 15 years, finally concluded, despite being an evolutionist himself, that there is, in fact, no such family tree branching out from ape-like creatures to man.

Zuckerman also made an interesting "spectrum of science" ranging from those he considered scientific to those he considered unscientific. According to Zuckerman's spectrum, the most "scientific"—that is, depending on concrete data—fields of science are chemistry and physics. After them come the biological sciences and then the social sciences. At the far end of the spectrum, which is the part considered to be most "unscientific," are "extra-sensory perception"—concepts such as telepathy and sixth sense—and finally "human evolution." Zuckerman explains his reasoning:

*We then move right off the register of objective truth into those fields*

*of presumed biological science, like extrasensory perception or the interpretation of man's fossil history, where to the faithful [evolutionist] anything is possible – and where the ardent believer [in evolution] is sometimes able to believe several contradictory things at the same time.*<sup>18</sup>

The tale of human evolution boils down to nothing but the prejudiced interpretations of some fossils unearthed by certain people, who blindly adhere to their theory.

## **Darwinian Formula!**

Besides all the technical evidence we have dealt with so far, let us now for once, examine what kind of a superstition the evolutionists have with an example so simple as to be understood even by children:

Evolutionary theory asserts that life is formed by chance. According to this claim, lifeless and unconscious atoms came together to form the cell and then they somehow formed other living things, including man. Let us think about that. When we bring together the elements that are the building-blocks of life such as carbon, phosphorus, nitrogen and potassium, only a heap is formed. No matter what treatments it undergoes, this atomic heap cannot form even a single living being. If you like, let us formulate an "experiment" on this subject and let us examine on the behalf of evolutionists what they really claim without pronouncing loudly under the name "Darwinian formula":

Let evolutionists put plenty of materials present in the composition of living beings such as phosphorus, nitrogen, carbon, oxygen, iron, and magnesium into big barrels. Moreover, let them add in these barrels any material that does not exist under normal conditions, but they think as necessary. Let them add in this mixture as many amino acids-which have no possibility of forming under natural conditions-and as many proteins-a single one of which has a formation probability of 10-950-as they like. Let them expose these mixtures to as much heat and moisture

as they like. Let them stir these with whatever technologically developed device they like. Let them put the foremost scientists beside these barrels. Let these experts wait in turn beside these barrels for billions, and even trillions of years. Let them be free to use all kinds of conditions they believe to be necessary for a human's formation. No matter what they do, they cannot produce from these barrels a human, say a professor that examines his cell structure under the electron microscope. They cannot produce giraffes, lions, bees, canaries, horses, dolphins, roses, orchids, lilies, carnations, bananas, oranges, apples, dates, tomatoes, melons, watermelons, figs, olives, grapes, peaches, peafowls, pheasants, multicoloured butterflies, or millions of other living beings such as these. Indeed, they could not obtain even a single cell of any one of them.

Briefly, unconscious atoms cannot form the cell by coming together. They cannot take a new decision and divide this cell into two, then take other decisions and create the professors who first invent the electron microscope and then examine their own cell structure under that microscope. Matter is an unconscious, lifeless heap, and it comes to life with Allah's superior creation.

Evolutionary theory, which claims the opposite, is a total fallacy completely contrary to reason. Thinking even a little bit on the claims of evolutionists discloses this reality, just as in the above example.

## **Technology in the Eye and the Ear**

Another subject that remains unanswered by evolutionary theory is the excellent quality of perception in the eye and the ear.

Before passing on to the subject of the eye, let us briefly answer the question of how we see. Light rays coming from an object fall oppositely on the eye's retina. Here, these light rays are transmitted into electric signals by cells and reach a tiny spot at the back of the brain, the "center of vision." These electric signals are perceived in this center as

an image after a series of processes. With this technical background, let us do some thinking.

The brain is insulated from light. That means that its inside is completely dark, and that no light reaches the place where it is located. Thus, the "center of vision" is never touched by light and may even be the darkest place you have ever known. However, you observe a luminous, bright world in this pitch darkness.

The image formed in the eye is so sharp and distinct that even the technology of the twentieth century has not been able to attain it. For instance, look at the book you are reading, your hands with which you are holding it, and then lift your head and look around you. Have you ever seen such a sharp and distinct image as this one at any other place? Even the most developed television screen produced by the greatest television producer in the world cannot provide such a sharp image for you. This is a three-dimensional, colored, and extremely sharp image. For more than 100 years, thousands of engineers have been trying to achieve this sharpness. Factories, huge premises were established, much research has been done, plans and designs have been made for this purpose. Again, look at a TV screen and the book you hold in your hands. You will see that there is a big difference in sharpness and distinction. Moreover, the TV screen shows you a two-dimensional image, whereas with your eyes, you watch a three-dimensional perspective with depth.

For many years, tens of thousands of engineers have tried to make a three-dimensional TV and achieve the vision quality of the eye. Yes, they have made a three-dimensional television system, but it is not possible to watch it without putting on special 3-D glasses; moreover, it is only an artificial three-dimension. The background is more blurred, the foreground appears like a paper setting. Never has it been possible to produce a sharp and distinct vision like that of the eye. In both the camera and the television, there is a loss of image quality.

Evolutionists claim that the mechanism producing this sharp and

distinct image has been formed by chance. Now, if somebody told you that the television in your room was formed as a result of chance, that all of its atoms just happened to come together and make up this device that produces an image, what would you think? How can atoms do what thousands of people cannot?

If a device producing a more primitive image than the eye could not have been formed by chance, then it is very evident that the eye and the image seen by the eye could not have been formed by chance. The same situation applies to the ear. The outer ear picks up the available sounds by the auricle and directs them to the middle ear, the middle ear transmits the sound vibrations by intensifying them, and the inner ear sends these vibrations to the brain by translating them into electric signals. Just as with the eye, the act of hearing finalizes in the center of hearing in the brain.

The situation in the eye is also true for the ear. That is, the brain is insulated from sound just as it is from light. It does not let any sound in. Therefore, no matter how noisy is the outside, the inside of the brain is completely silent. Nevertheless, the sharpest sounds are perceived in the brain. In your completely silent brain, you listen to symphonies, and hear all of the noises in a crowded place. However, were the sound level in your brain was measured by a precise device at that moment, complete silence would be found to be prevailing there.

As is the case with imagery, decades of effort have been spent in trying to generate and reproduce sound that is faithful to the original. The results of these efforts are sound recorders, high-fidelity systems, and systems for sensing sound. Despite all of this technology and the thousands of engineers and experts who have been working on this endeavor, no sound has yet been obtained that has the same sharpness and clarity as the sound perceived by the ear. Think of the highest-quality hi-fi systems produced by the largest company in the music industry. Even in these devices, when sound is recorded some of it is lost; or when you turn on a hi-fi you always hear a hissing sound before the music starts.

However, the sounds that are the products of the human body's technology are extremely sharp and clear. A human ear never perceives a sound accompanied by a hissing sound or with atmospherics as does a hi-fi; rather, it perceives sound exactly as it is, sharp and clear. This is the way it has been since the creation of man.

So far, no man-made visual or recording apparatus has been as sensitive and successful in perceiving sensory data as are the eye and the ear. However, as far as seeing and hearing are concerned, a far greater truth lies beyond all this.

## **To Whom Does the Consciousness That Sees and Hears within the Brain Belong?**

Who watches an alluring world in the brain, listens to symphonies and the twittering of birds, and smells the rose?

The stimulations coming from a person's eyes, ears, and nose travel to the brain as electro-chemical nerve impulses. In biology, physiology, and biochemistry books, you can find many details about how this image forms in the brain. However, you will never come across the most important fact: Who perceives these electro-chemical nerve impulses as images, sounds, odors, and sensory events in the brain? There is a consciousness in the brain that perceives all this without feeling any need for an eye, an ear, and a nose. To whom does this consciousness belong? Of course it does not belong to the nerves, the fat layer, and neurons comprising the brain. This is why Darwinist-materialists, who believe that everything is comprised of matter, cannot answer these questions.

For this consciousness is the spirit created by Allah, which needs neither the eye to watch the images nor the ear to hear the sounds. Furthermore, it does not need the brain to think.

Everyone who reads this explicit and scientific fact should ponder on Almighty Allah, and fear and seek refuge in Him, for He

squeezes the entire universe in a pitch-dark place of a few cubic centimeters in a three-dimensional, colored, shadowy, and luminous form.

## A Materialist Faith

The information we have presented so far shows us that the theory of evolution is incompatible with scientific findings. The theory's claim regarding the origin of life is inconsistent with science, the evolutionary mechanisms it proposes have no evolutionary power, and fossils demonstrate that the required intermediate forms have never existed. So, it certainly follows that the theory of evolution should be pushed aside as an unscientific idea. This is how many ideas, such as the Earth-centered universe model, have been taken out of the agenda of science throughout history.

However, the theory of evolution is kept on the agenda of science. Some people even try to represent criticisms directed against it as an "attack on science." Why?

The reason is that this theory is an indispensable dogmatic belief for some circles. These circles are blindly devoted to materialist philosophy and adopt Darwinism because it is the only materialist explanation that can be put forward to explain the workings of nature.

Interestingly enough, they also confess this fact from time to time. A well-known geneticist and an outspoken evolutionist, Richard C. Lewontin from Harvard University, confesses that he is "first and foremost a materialist and then a scientist":

*It is not that the methods and institutions of science somehow compel us accept a material explanation of the phenomenal world, but, on the contrary, that we are forced by our a priori adherence to material causes to create an apparatus of investigation and a set of concepts that produce material explanations, no matter how counter-intuitive, no matter how mystifying to the uninitiated.*

*Moreover, that materialism is absolute, so we cannot allow a Divine Foot in the door.<sup>19</sup>*

These are explicit statements that Darwinism is a dogma kept alive just for the sake of adherence to materialism. This dogma maintains that there is no being save matter. Therefore, it argues that inanimate, unconscious matter created life. It insists that millions of different living species (e.g., birds, fish, giraffes, tigers, insects, trees, flowers, whales, and human beings) originated as a result of the interactions between matter such as pouring rain, lightning flashes, and so on, out of inanimate matter. This is a precept contrary both to reason and science. Yet Darwinists continue to defend it just so as "not to allow a Divine Foot in the door."

Anyone who does not look at the origin of living beings with a materialist prejudice will see this evident truth: All living beings are works of a Creator, Who is All-Powerful, All-Wise, and All-Knowing. This Creator is Allah, Who created the whole universe from non-existence, designed it in the most perfect form, and fashioned all living beings.

## **The Theory of Evolution is the Most Potent Spell in the World**

Anyone free of prejudice and the influence of any particular ideology, who uses only his or her reason and logic, will clearly understand that belief in the theory of evolution, which brings to mind the superstitions of societies with no knowledge of science or civilization, is quite impossible.

As explained above, those who believe in the theory of evolution think that a few atoms and molecules thrown into a huge vat could produce thinking, reasoning professors and university students; such scientists as Einstein and Galileo; such artists as Humphrey Bogart, Frank Sinatra and Luciano Pavarotti; as well as antelopes, lemon trees, and

carnations. Moreover, as the scientists and professors who believe in this nonsense are educated people, it is quite justifiable to speak of this theory as "the most potent spell in history." Never before has any other belief or idea so taken away peoples' powers of reason, refused to allow them to think intelligently and logically and hidden the truth from them as if they had been blindfolded. This is an even worse and unbelievable blindness than the Egyptians worshipping the Sun God Ra, totem worship in some parts of Africa, the people of Saba worshipping the Sun, the tribe of Prophet Ibrahim (as) worshipping idols they had made with their own hands, or the people of the Prophet Musa (as) worshipping the Golden Calf.

In fact, Allah has pointed to this lack of reason in the Qur'an. In many verse, He reveals in many verses that some peoples' minds will be closed and that they will be powerless to see the truth. Some of these verses are as follows:

**As for those who do not believe, it makes no difference to them whether you warn them or do not warn them, they will not believe. Allah has sealed up their hearts and hearing and over their eyes is a blindfold. They will have a terrible punishment. (Qur'an, 2: 6-7)**

**... They have hearts with which they do not understand. They have eyes with which they do not see. They have ears with which they do not hear. Such people are like cattle. No, they are even further astray! They are the unaware. (Qur'an, 7: 179)**

**Even if We opened up to them a door into heaven, and they spent the day ascending through it, they would only say: "Our eyesight is befuddled! Or rather we have been put under a spell!" (Qur'an, 15: 14-15)**

Words cannot express just how astonishing it is that this spell should hold such a wide community in thrall, keep people from the truth, and not be broken for 150 years. It is understandable that one or a few people might believe in impossible scenarios and claims full of stupidity and illogicality. However, "magic" is the only possible ex-

planation for people from all over the world believing that unconscious and lifeless atoms suddenly decided to come together and form a universe that functions with a flawless system of organization, discipline, reason, and consciousness; a planet named Earth with all of its features so perfectly suited to life; and living things full of countless complex systems.

In fact, the Qur'an relates the incident of Prophet Musa and Pharaoh to show that some people who support atheistic philosophies actually influence others by magic. When Pharaoh was told about the true religion, he told Prophet Musa to meet with his own magicians. When Musa did so, he told them to demonstrate their abilities first. The verses continue:

**He said: "You throw." And when they threw, they cast a spell on the people's eyes and caused them to feel great fear of them. They produced an extremely powerful magic. (Qur'an, 7: 116)**

As we have seen, Pharaoh's magicians were able to deceive everyone, apart from Musa and those who believed in him. However, his evidence broke the spell, or "swallowed up what they had forged," as the verse puts it.

**We revealed to Musa, "Throw down your staff." And it immediately swallowed up what they had forged. So the Truth took place and what they did was shown to be false. (Qur'an, 7: 117-119)**

As we can see, when people realized that a spell had been cast upon them and that what they saw was just an illusion, Pharaoh's magicians lost all credibility. In the present day too, unless those who, under the influence of a similar spell, believe in these ridiculous claims under their scientific disguise and spend their lives defending them, abandon their superstitious beliefs, they also will be humiliated when the full truth emerges and the spell is broken. In fact, Malcolm Muggeridge, an atheist philosopher and supporter of evolution, admitted he was worried by just that prospect:

*I myself am convinced that the theory of evolution, especially the extent to which it's been applied, will be one of the great jokes in the history books in the future. Posterity will marvel that so very flimsy and dubious an hypothesis could be accepted with the incredible credulity that it has.<sup>20</sup>*

That future is not far off: On the contrary, people will soon see that "chance" is not a deity, and will look back on the theory of evolution as the worst deceit and the most terrible spell in the world. That spell is already rapidly beginning to be lifted from the shoulders of people all over the world. Many people who see its true face are wondering with amazement how they could ever have been taken in by it.

**They said "Glory be to You!  
We have no knowledge except  
what You have taught us.  
You are the All-Knowing,  
the All-Wise."  
(Qur'an, 2: 32)**

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