

Sūrah al-Ḥajj⁹¹⁵

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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

1. O mankind, fear your Lord. Indeed, the convulsion of the [final] Hour is a terrible thing.
2. On the Day you see it every nursing mother will be distracted from that [child] she was nursing, and every pregnant woman will abort her pregnancy, and you will see the people [appearing] intoxicated while they are not intoxicated; but the punishment of Allāh is severe.
3. And of the people is he who disputes about Allāh without knowledge and follows every rebellious devil.
4. It has been decreed for him [i.e., every devil] that whoever turns to him – he will misguide him and will lead him to the punishment of the Blaze.
5. O people, if you should be in doubt about the Resurrection, then [consider that] indeed, We created you from dust, then from a sperm-drop, then from a clinging clot, and then from a lump of flesh, formed and unformed⁹¹⁶ – that We may show you.⁹¹⁷ And We settle in the wombs whom We will for a

يَتَأْتِيهَا النَّاسُ اتَّقُوا رَبَّكُمُ إِنَّ زَلْزَلَةَ
السَّاعَةِ شَيْءٌ عَظِيمٌ ﴿١﴾

يَوْمَ تَرُؤْنَهَا نَذَلُّ كُلَّ مُرْضِعَةٍ عَمَّا
أَرْضَعَتْ وَتَضَعُ كُلُّ ذَاتِ حَمْلٍ حَمْلَهَا
وَتَرَى النَّاسَ سُكَرَىٰ وَمَا هُمْ بِسُكَرَىٰ
وَلَكِنَّ عَذَابَ اللَّهِ شَدِيدٌ ﴿٢﴾

وَمِنَ النَّاسِ مَن يُجَادِلُ فِي اللَّهِ بِغَيْرِ عِلْمٍ
وَيَتَّبِعُ كُلَّ شَيْطَانٍ مَّرِيدٍ ﴿٣﴾

كُتِبَ عَلَيْهِ أَنَّهُ مَن تَوَلَّاهُ فَإِنَّهُ يُضِلُّهُ
وَيَهْدِيهِ إِلَىٰ عَذَابِ السَّعِيرِ ﴿٤﴾

يَتَأْتِيهَا النَّاسُ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ فِي رَيْبٍ مِّنَ الْآبَعِثِ
فَلِنَا خَلَقْنَكُمْ مِّن تَرَابٍ ثُمَّ مِّن نُّطْفَةٍ ثُمَّ
مِّن عَلَقَةٍ ثُمَّ مِّن مُّضْغَةٍ مُّخَلَّقَةٍ وَغَيْرِ مُخَلَّقَةٍ
لِّنُبَيِّنَ لَكُمْ وَنُقِرُّ فِي الْأَرْحَامِ مَا نَشَاءُ إِلَىٰ
أَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى ثُمَّ نُخْرِجُكُمْ طِفْلًا ثُمَّ
لِتَبْلُغُوا أَشْدَّكُمْ وَمِنْكُمْ مَّن يُتَوَفَّىٰ

⁹¹⁵Al-Ḥajj: The Pilgrimage.

⁹¹⁶That which is incomplete. This may include what is aborted at that stage.

⁹¹⁷Our power and creative ability.

specified term, then We bring you out as a child, and then [We develop you] that you may reach your [time of] maturity. And among you is he who is taken in [early] death, and among you is he who is returned to the most decrepit [old] age so that he knows, after [once having] knowledge, nothing. And you see the earth barren, but when We send down upon it rain, it quivers and swells and grows [something] of every beautiful kind.

وَمِنْكُمْ مَّنْ يُرَدُّ إِلَىٰ أَرْدَلِ الْعُمُرِ لِكَيْلَا
يَعْلَمَ مِنْ بَعْدِ عِلْمٍ شَيْئًا وَنَرَى الْأَرْضَ
هَامِدَةً فِإِذَا أَنْزَلْنَا عَلَيْهَا الْمَاءَ اهْتَزَّتْ
وَرَبَتْ وَأَنْبَتَتْ مِنْ كُلِّ رَوْحٍ يَهِيَجُ ﴿٥٠﴾

6. That is because Allāh is the True Reality and because He gives life to the dead and because He is over all things competent
7. And that [they may know] the Hour is coming – no doubt about it – and that Allāh will resurrect those in the graves.
8. And of the people is he who disputes about Allāh without knowledge or guidance or an enlightening book [from Him],
9. Twisting his neck [in arrogance] to mislead [people] from the way of Allāh. For him in the world is disgrace, and We will make him taste on the Day of Resurrection the punishment of the Burning Fire [while it is said],
10. "That is for what your hands have put forth and because Allāh is not ever unjust to [His] servants."

ذَٰلِكَ بِأَنَّ اللَّهَ هُوَ الْحَقُّ وَأَنَّهُ يُخَيِّ الْمَوْتَىٰ
وَأَنَّهُ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ ﴿٥١﴾

وَأَنَّ السَّاعَةَ آتِيَةٌ لَا رَيْبَ فِيهَا وَأَنَّ اللَّهَ
يَبْعَثُ مَنْ فِي الْقُبُورِ ﴿٥٢﴾

وَمِنَ النَّاسِ مَن يُجَادِلُ فِي اللَّهِ بِغَيْرِ عِلْمٍ
وَلَا هُدًى وَلَا كِتَابٍ مُّبِينٍ ﴿٥٣﴾

ثَانِيَ عِطْفِهِ لِيُضِلَّ عَنْ سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ لَهُ فِي
الدُّنْيَا خِزْيٌ وَنُذِيقُهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ
عَذَابَ الْحَرِيقِ ﴿٥٤﴾

ذَٰلِكَ بِمَا قَدَّمْتَ يَدَاكَ وَأَنَّ اللَّهَ لَيْسَ
بِظَلَمٍ لِّلْعَبِيدِ ﴿٥٥﴾

11. And of the people is he who worships Allāh on an edge.⁹¹⁸ If he is touched by good, he is reassured by it; but if he is struck by trial, he turns on his face [to unbelief]. He has lost [this] world and the Hereafter. That is what is the manifest loss.

وَمِنَ النَّاسِ مَن يَعْبُدُ اللَّهَ عَلَى حَرْفٍ فَإِنْ
أَصَابَهُ خَيْرٌ أطمأنَّ بِهِ وَإِنْ أَصَابَتْهُ فَتْنَةٌ
أَنقَلَبَ عَلَى وَجْهِهِ خَسِرَ الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةَ
ذَلِكَ هُوَ الْخُسْرَانُ الْمُبِينُ ﴿١١﴾

12. He invokes instead of Allāh that which neither harms him nor benefits him. That is what is the extreme error.

يَدْعُوا مِن دُونِ اللَّهِ مَا لَا يَضُرُّهُ وَمَا
لَا يَنْفَعُهُ ذَلِكَ هُوَ الضَّلَالُ الْبَعِيدُ ﴿١٢﴾

13. He invokes one whose harm is closer than his benefit – how wretched the protector and how wretched the associate.

يَدْعُوا لِمَن ضَرُّهُ أَقْرَبُ مِن نَّفْعِهِ لَيْسَ
الْمَوْلَىٰ وَلَيْسَ الْعَشِيرُ ﴿١٣﴾

14. Indeed, Allāh will admit those who believe and do righteous deeds to gardens beneath which rivers flow. Indeed, Allāh does what He intends.

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُدْخِلُ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا
الصَّالِحَاتِ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرَىٰ مِن تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ
إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَفْعَلُ مَا يُرِيدُ ﴿١٤﴾

15. Whoever should think that Allāh will not support him [i.e., Prophet Muḥammad (ﷺ)] in this world and the Hereafter – let him extend a rope to the ceiling, then cut off [his breath],⁹¹⁹ and let him see: will his effort remove that which enrages [him]?

مَن كَانَ يَظُنُّ أَن لَّن يَنْصُرَهُ اللَّهُ فِي
الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ فَلْيَمْدُدْ بِسَبَبٍ إِلَى
السَّمَاءِ ثُمَّ لِيَقْطَعْ فَلْيَنْظُرْ هَلْ يُذْهِبَنَّ
كَيْدَهُ مَا يَغِيظُ ﴿١٥﴾

16. And thus have We sent it [i.e., the Qur'ān] down as verses of clear evidence and because Allāh guides whom He intends.

وَكَذَلِكَ أَنزَلْنَاهُ ءَايَاتٍ بَيِّنَاتٍ وَأَنَّ اللَّهَ
يَهْدِي مَن يُرِيدُ ﴿١٦﴾

17. Indeed, those who have believed and those who were Jews and the

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَالَّذِينَ هَادُوا وَالصَّابِغِينَ

⁹¹⁸At the edge of his religion, so to speak, i.e., with uncertainty, hypocrisy or heedlessness.

⁹¹⁹i.e., strangle himself.

Sabeans and the Christians and the Magians and those who associated with Allāh – Allāh will judge between them on the Day of Resurrection.⁹²⁰ Indeed Allāh is, over all things, Witness.

وَالنَّصْرَى وَالْمَجُوسَ وَالَّذِينَ أَشْرَكُوا
إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَفْصِلُ بَيْنَهُمْ يَوْمَ الْقِيَمَةِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ
عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ شَهِيدٌ ﴿٢٠﴾

18. Do you not see [i.e., know] that to Allāh prostrates whoever is in the heavens and whoever is on the earth and the sun, the moon, the stars, the mountains, the trees, the moving creatures and many of the people? But upon many the punishment has been justified.⁹²¹ And he whom Allāh humiliates – for him there is no bestower of honor. Indeed, Allāh does what He wills.

أَلَمْ تَرَ أَنَّ اللَّهَ يَسْجُدُ لَهُ مَن فِي
السَّمَوَاتِ وَمَن فِي الْأَرْضِ وَالشَّمْسُ
وَالْقَمَرُ وَالنُّجُومُ وَالْجِبَالُ وَالشَّجَرُ
وَالدَّوَابُّ وَكَثِيرٌ مِّنَ النَّاسِ وَكَثِيرٌ حَقَّ
عَلَيْهِ الْعَذَابُ وَمَن يُنِ اللَّهُ فَمَا لَهُ مِن
مُّكْرِمٍ ﴿٢١﴾ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَفْعَلُ مَا يَشَاءُ ﴿٢٢﴾

19. These⁹²² are two adversaries who have disputed over their Lord. But those who disbelieved will have cut out for them garments of fire. Poured upon their heads will be scalding water

﴿ هَذَانِ حَصْمَانِ أَخْتَصَمُوا فِي رَبِّهِمْ
فَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا قُطِعَتْ لَهُمْ ثِيَابٌ مِّن نَّارٍ
يُصَبُّ مِنْ فَوْقِ رُءُوسِهِمُ الْحَمِيمُ ﴿٢٣﴾

20. By which is melted that within their bellies and [their] skins.

يُصَهَّرُ بِهِ مَا فِي بُطُونِهِمْ وَالْجُلُودُ ﴿٢٤﴾

21. And for [striking] them are maces of iron.

وَهُمْ مَّقْمِعُونَ مِنْ حَدِيدٍ ﴿٢٥﴾

22. Every time they want to get out of it [i.e., Hellfire] from anguish, they will be returned to it, and [it will be said], "Taste the punishment of the Burning Fire!"

كُلَّمَا أَرَادُوا أَن تَخْرُجُوا مِنْهَا مِنْ غَمٍّ
أَعِيدُوا فِيهَا وَذُوقُوا عَذَابَ الْحَرِيقِ ﴿٢٦﴾

23. Indeed, Allāh will admit those who believe and do righteous

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُدْخِلُ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا

⁹²⁰See footnote of 2:62.

⁹²¹And therefore decreed.

⁹²²i.e., the believers and the disbelievers.

deeds to gardens beneath which rivers flow. They will be adorned therein with bracelets of gold and pearl, and their garments therein will be silk.

الصَّلِحَاتِ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا
الْأَنْهَارُ تَجْرِي فِيهَا مِنْ أَسَاوِرَ مِنْ
ذَهَبٍ وَلُؤْلُؤًا وَلِبَاسُهُمْ فِيهَا حَرِيرٌ ﴿٢٣﴾

24. And they had been guided [in worldly life] to good speech, and they were guided to the path of the Praiseworthy.

وَهُدُوا إِلَى الطَّيِّبِ مِنَ الْقَوْلِ وَهُدُوا
إِلَى صِرَاطِ الْحَمِيدِ ﴿٢٤﴾

25. Indeed, those who have disbelieved and avert [people] from the way of Allāh and [from] al-Masjid al-Ḥarām, which We made for the people – equal are the resident therein and one from outside – and [also] whoever intends [a deed] therein⁹²³ of deviation [in religion] by wrongdoing – We will make him taste of a painful punishment.

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا وَيَصُدُّونَ عَن سَبِيلِ
اللَّهِ وَالْمَسْجِدِ الْحَرَامِ الَّذِي جَعَلْنَاهُ
لِلنَّاسِ سَوَاءً أَلْعَكِيفُ فِيهِ وَالْبَادِئُ وَمَنْ يُرِدْ
فِيهِ بِالْحَادِ يُظَلَمِ نُدُفَهُ مِنْ عَذَابِ أَلِيمٍ ﴿٢٥﴾

26. And [mention, O Muḥammad], when We designated for Abraham the site of the House, [saying], "Do not associate anything with Me and purify My House for those who perform ṭawāf⁹²⁴ and those who stand [in prayer] and those who bow and prostrate.

وَإِذْ بَوَّأْنَا لِإِبْرَاهِيمَ مَكَانَ الْبَيْتِ أَنْ لَا
تُشْرِكْ بِي شَيْئًا وَطَهَّرَ بَيْتِي لِلطَّائِفِينَ
وَالْقَائِمِينَ وَالرُّكَّعِ السُّجُودِ ﴿٢٦﴾

27. And proclaim to the people the ḥajj [pilgrimage]; they will come to you on foot and on every lean camel; they will come from every distant pass –

وَأَذِّنْ فِي النَّاسِ بِالْحَجِّ يَأْتُوكَ رِجَالًا
وَعَلَى كُلِّ ضَامِرٍ يَأْتِينَ مِنْ كُلِّ فَجٍّ
عَمِيقٍ ﴿٢٧﴾

⁹²³Whether inside its boundaries or intending from afar to do evil therein. The Ḥaram is unique in that the mere intention of sin therein (whether or not it is actually carried out) is sufficient to bring punishment from Allāh.

⁹²⁴See footnote to 2:125.

28. That they may witness [i.e., attend] benefits for themselves and mention the name of Allāh on known [i.e., specific] days over what He has provided for them of [sacrificial] animals.⁹²⁵ So eat of them and feed the miserable and poor.
- لَيَشْهَدُوا مَنَفَعَ لَهُمْ وَيَذْكُرُوا اسْمَ اللَّهِ فِي أَيَّامٍ مَّعْلُومَةٍ عَلَىٰ مَا رَزَقَهُم مِّنْ بَهِيمَةِ الْأَنْعَامِ فَكُلُوا مِنْهَا وَأَطِعُوا آلَ بَاسٍ الْفَقِيرِ ﴿٢٥﴾
29. Then let them end their untidiness and fulfill their vows and perform ṭawāf around the ancient House."
- ثُمَّ لِيَقْضُوا تَفَثَهُمْ وَلِيُوفُوا نُدُورَهُمْ وَلِيَطَّوَّفُوا بِالْبَيْتِ الْعَتِيقِ ﴿٢٦﴾
30. That [has been commanded], and whoever honors the sacred ordinances of Allāh – it is best for him in the sight of his Lord. And permitted to you are the grazing livestock, except what is recited to you.⁹²⁶ So avoid the uncleanness of idols and avoid false statement,
- ذَٰلِكَ وَمَنْ يُعْظِمِ حُرْمَتَ اللَّهِ فَهُوَ خَيْرٌ لَهُٗ عِنْدَ رَبِّهِ ۖ وَأُحِلَّتْ لَكُمْ الْآنَعَامُ إِلَّا مَا يُتْلَىٰ عَلَيْكُمْ ۖ فَاجْتَنِبُوا الرِّجْسَ مِنَ الْأَوْثَانِ وَاجْتَنِبُوا قَوْلَ الزُّورِ ﴿٢٧﴾
31. Inclining [only] to Allāh, not associating [anything] with Him. And he who associates with Allāh – it is as though he had fallen from the sky and was snatched by the birds or the wind carried him down into a remote place.
- حُفَاءَ لِلَّهِ غَيْرَ مُشْرِكِينَ بِهِ ۚ وَمَنْ يُشْرِكْ بِاللَّهِ فَكَأَنَّمَا حَرَّمَ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ فَتَخَلَّفَهُ الطَّيْرُ أَوْ تَهَوَّىٰ بِهِ الرِّيحُ فِي مَكَانٍ سَحِيقٍ ﴿٢٨﴾
32. That [is so]. And whoever honors the symbols [i.e., rites] of Allāh – indeed, it is from the piety of hearts.
- ذَٰلِكَ وَمَنْ يُعْظِمِ شَعَائِرَ اللَّهِ فَإِنَّهَا مِن تَقْوَى الْقُلُوبِ ﴿٢٩﴾
33. For you therein [i.e., the animals marked for sacrifice] are benefits
- لَكُمْ فِيهَا مَنَافِعُ إِلَىٰ أَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى ثُمَّ مَحْلَاهَا

⁹²⁵Al-an'ām: camels, cattle, sheep and goats.

⁹²⁶See 5:3.

for a specified term;⁹²⁷ then their place of sacrifice is at the ancient House.⁹²⁸

إِلَى آلَيْتِ الْعَتِيقِ ﴿٢٧﴾

34. And for every [religious] community We have appointed a rite [of sacrifice]⁹²⁹ that they may mention the name of Allāh over what He has provided for them of [sacrificial] animals. For your god is one God, so to Him submit. And, [O Muḥammad], give good tidings to the humble [before their Lord]

وَلِكُلِّ أُمَّةٍ جَعَلْنَا مَنْسَكًا لِيَذْكُرُوا اسْمَ اللَّهِ عَلَىٰ مَا رَزَقَهُمْ مِنْ بَهِيمَةِ الْأَنْعَامِ ۗ فَإِنَّهُمْ لِلَّهِ وَاحِدٌ فَلَهُ أَسْلَمُوا وَبَشِّرِ الْمُخْبِتِينَ ﴿٢٨﴾

35. Who, when Allāh is mentioned, their hearts are fearful, and [to] the patient over what has afflicted them, and the establishers of prayer and those who spend from what We have provided them.

الَّذِينَ إِذَا ذُكِرَ اللَّهُ وَجِلَّتْ قُلُوبُهُمْ وَالصَّابِرِينَ عَلَىٰ مَا أَصَابَهُمْ وَالْمُقِيمِي الصَّلَاةِ وَمِمَّا رَزَقْنَاهُمْ يُنفِقُونَ ﴿٢٩﴾

36. And the camels and cattle We have appointed for you as among the symbols [i.e., rites] of Allāh; for you therein is good. So mention the name of Allāh upon them when lined up [for sacrifice]; and when they are [lifeless] on their sides, then eat from them and feed the needy [who does not seek aid] and the beggar. Thus have We subjected them to you that you may be grateful.

وَالْبُدْنَ جَعَلْنَاهَا لَكُمْ مِنْ شَعَائِرِ اللَّهِ لَكُمْ فِيهَا حَيْرٌ ۗ فَاذْكُرُوا اسْمَ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهَا صَوَافٍ ۗ فَإِذَا وَجَبَتْ جُنُوبُهَا فَكُلُوا مِنْهَا وَأَطْعَمُوا الْقَانِعَ وَالْمُعْتَرَّ ۗ كَذَلِكَ سَخَّرْنَاهَا لَكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَشْكُرُونَ ﴿٣٠﴾

37. Their meat will not reach Allāh, nor will their blood, but what reaches Him is piety from you. Thus have We subjected them to

لَنْ يَنَالَ اللَّهُ لُحُومُهَا وَلَا دِمَاؤها وَلَكِنْ يَنَالُهُ التَّقْوَىٰ مِنْكُمْ ۗ كَذَلِكَ سَخَّرَهَا

⁹²⁷ i.e., they may be milked or ridden (in the case of camels) before the time of slaughter.

⁹²⁸ i.e., within the boundaries of the Ḥaram, which includes Miṇā.

⁹²⁹ i.e., the right of sacrifice has always been a part of Allāh's revealed religion.

you that you may glorify Allāh for that [to] which He has guided you; and give good tidings to the doers of good.

لَكُمْ لِيُتَكَبِّرُوا اللَّهُ عَلَى مَا هَدَيْتُمْ وَبَشِّرِ
الْمُحْسِنِينَ ﴿٢٧﴾

38. Indeed, Allāh defends those who have believed. Indeed, Allāh does not like everyone treacherous and ungrateful.

﴿٢٨﴾ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُدْفِعُ عَنِ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا إِنَّ
اللَّهَ لَا يُحِبُّ كُلَّ خَوَّانٍ كَفُورٍ ﴿٢٨﴾

39. Permission [to fight] has been given to those who are being fought,⁹³⁰ because they were wronged. And indeed, Allāh is competent to give them victory.

أُذِنَ لِلَّذِينَ يُقَاتَلُونَ بِأَنَّهُمْ ظَلَمُوا وَإِنَّ
اللَّهَ عَلَىٰ تَصْرِهِمْ لَقَدِيرٌ ﴿٢٩﴾

40. [They are] those who have been evicted from their homes without right – only because they say, "Our Lord is Allāh." And were it not that Allāh checks the people, some by means of others, there would have been monasteries, churches, synagogues, and mosques demolished in which the name of Allāh is much mentioned [i.e., praised]. And Allāh will surely support those who support Him [i.e., His cause]. Indeed, Allāh is Powerful and Exalted in Might.

الَّذِينَ أُخْرِجُوا مِنْ دِيَارِهِمْ بِغَيْرِ حَقٍّ إِلَّا
أَن يَقُولُوا رَبُّنَا اللَّهُ وَلَوْلَا دَفْعُ اللَّهِ
النَّاسَ بَعْضَهُم بِبَعْضٍ هُدَمَتْ صَوَامِعُ
وَبِيَعٌ وَصَلَوَاتٌ وَمَسَاجِدٌ يُذَكَّرُ فِيهَا اسْمُ
اللَّهِ كَثِيرًا وَلَيَنْصُرَنَّ اللَّهُ مَنْ يَنْصُرُهُ
﴿٣٠﴾ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَقَوِيٌّ عَزِيزٌ ﴿٣٠﴾

41. [And they are] those who, if We give them authority in the land, establish prayer and give zakāh and enjoin what is right and forbid what is wrong. And to Allāh belongs the outcome of [all] matters.

الَّذِينَ إِنْ مَكَّنَّاهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ أَقَامُوا
الصَّلَاةَ وَءَاتُوا الزَّكَاةَ وَأَمَرُوا بِالْمَعْرُوفِ
وَنَهَوْا عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَاللَّهُ عَلِيمٌ غَنِيمٌ ﴿٣١﴾

42. And if they deny you, [O Muḥammad] – so, before them, did the people of Noah and 'Aad and Thamūd deny [their prophets],

وَإِنْ يُكَذِّبُوكَ فَقَدْ كَذَّبَتْ قَبْلَهُمْ قَوْمُ
نُوحٍ وَعَادٌ وَثَمُودٌ ﴿٣٢﴾

⁹³⁰Referring here to the Prophet's companions.

43. And the people of Abraham and the people of Lot

وَقَوْمِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَقَوْمِ لُوطٍ ﴿٤٣﴾

44. And the inhabitants of Madyan. And Moses was denied, so I prolonged enjoyment for the disbelievers; then I seized them, and how [terrible] was My reproach.

وَأَصْحَابِ مَدْيَنَ وَكُذِّبَ مُوسَىٰ فَأَمَلَيْتُ
لِلْكَافِرِينَ ثُمَّ أَخَذْتُهُمْ فَكَيْفَ كَانَ
نَكِيرِ ﴿٤٤﴾

45. And how many a city did We destroy while it was committing wrong – so it is [now] fallen into ruin⁹³¹ – and [how many] an abandoned well and [how many] a lofty palace.⁹³²

فَكَأَيِّن مِّن قَرْيَةٍ أَهْلَكْنَاهَا وَهِيَ ظَالِمَةٌ
فَهِيَ حَاقِبَةٌ عَلَىٰ غُرُوبِهَا وَيَبْرِ مَعْطَلَةٍ
وَقَصْرِ مَشِيدٍ ﴿٤٥﴾

46. So have they not traveled through the earth and have hearts by which to reason and ears by which to hear? For indeed, it is not eyes that are blinded, but blinded are the hearts which are within the breasts.

أَفَلَمْ يَسِيرُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ فَتَكُونَهُمْ قُلُوبٌ
يَعْقِلُونَ بِهَا أَوْ آذَانٌ يَسْمَعُونَ بِهَا فَإِنِّي لَا
تَعْمَى الْأَبْصَارُ وَلَكِن تَعْمَى الْقُلُوبُ الَّتِي
فِي الصُّدُورِ ﴿٤٦﴾

47. And they urge you to hasten the punishment. But Allāh will never fail in His promise. And indeed, a day with your Lord is like a thousand years of those which you count.

وَيَسْتَعْجِلُونَكَ بِالْعَذَابِ وَلَنْ تُخْلَفَ اللَّهُ
وَعَدَهُ وَإِنَّ يَوْمًا عِنْدَ رَبِّكَ كَأَلْفِ سَنَةٍ
مِّمَّا تَعُدُّونَ ﴿٤٧﴾

48. And for how many a city did I prolong enjoyment while it was committing wrong. Then I seized it, and to Me is the [final] destination.

وَكَأَيِّن مِّن قَرْيَةٍ أَمَلَيْتُهَا وَهِيَ ظَالِمَةٌ
ثُمَّ أَخَذْتُهَا وَإِلَى الْمَصِيرِ ﴿٤٨﴾

49. Say, "O people, I am only to you a clear warner."

قُلْ يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ إِنَّمَا أَنَا لَكُمْ نَذِيرٌ مُّبِينٌ ﴿٤٩﴾

⁹³¹Literally, "fallen in upon its roofs," i.e., after the roofs of its buildings had caved in, the walls collapsed over them.

⁹³²i.e., How many wells have been left inoperative, and how many palaces have been emptied of their occupants in the past.

them the punishment of a barren Day.⁹³⁶

عَذَابُ يَوْمٍ عَقِيمٍ ﴿٥٥﴾

56. [All] sovereignty that Day is for Allāh;⁹³⁷ He will judge between them. So they who believed and did righteous deeds will be in the Gardens of Pleasure.

الْمَلِكُ يَوْمَئِذٍ لِلَّهِ تَخَضُّعُ بَيْنَهُمْ
فَالَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ فِي
جَنَّاتِ النَّعِيمِ ﴿٥٦﴾

57. And they who disbelieved and denied Our signs – for those there will be a humiliating punishment.

وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا وَكَذَّبُوا بِآيَاتِنَا فَأُولَٰئِكَ
لَهُمْ عَذَابٌ مُّهِينٌ ﴿٥٧﴾

58. And those who emigrated for the cause of Allāh and then were killed or died – Allāh will surely provide for them a good provision. And indeed, it is Allāh who is the best of providers.

وَالَّذِينَ هَاجَرُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ ثُمَّ قُتِلُوا
أَوْ مَاتُوا لَيَرْزُقْنَهُمُ اللَّهُ رِزْقًا حَسَنًا وَإِنَّ
اللَّهَ لَهُوَ خَيْرُ الرَّزُقِينَ ﴿٥٨﴾

59. He will surely cause them to enter an entrance with which they will be pleased, and indeed, Allāh is Knowing and Forbearing.

لَيُدْخِلَنَّهُمْ مُّدْخَلًا يَرْضَوْنَهُ وَإِنَّ اللَّهَ
لَعَلِيمٌ حَلِيمٌ ﴿٥٩﴾

60. That [is so]. And whoever responds [to injustice] with the equivalent of that with which he was harmed and then is tyrannized – Allāh will surely aid him. Indeed, Allāh is Pardoning and Forgiving.⁹³⁸

﴿ذَٰلِكَ وَمَنْ عَاقَبَ بِمِثْلِ مَا عُوقِبَ بِهِ
ثُمَّ يُغَىٰ عَلَيْهِ لَيَنْصُرْنَهُ اللَّهُ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَعَفُورٌ
غَفُورٌ ﴿٦٠﴾﴾

61. That⁹³⁹ is because Allāh causes the night to enter the day and causes the day to enter the night and because Allāh is Hearing and Seeing.

ذَٰلِكَ بِأَنَّ اللَّهَ يُوَلِّجُ اللَّيْلَ فِي النَّهَارِ
وَيُوَلِّجُ النَّهَارَ فِي اللَّيْلِ وَأَنَّ اللَّهَ سَمِيعٌ
بَصِيرٌ ﴿٦١﴾

⁹³⁶One which will not be followed by night and therefore will not give birth to a new day, referring to the Day of Resurrection.

⁹³⁷None will compete with Him for authority at that time.

⁹³⁸In spite of His ability to take vengeance. The statement contains a suggestion that the believers pardon as well.

⁹³⁹i.e., Allāh's capability to give assistance or victory to the oppressed.

62. That is because Allāh is the True Reality, and that which they call upon other than Him is falsehood, and because Allāh is the Most High, the Grand.
63. Do you not see that Allāh has sent down rain from the sky and the earth becomes green? Indeed, Allāh is Subtle⁹⁴⁰ and Aware.⁹⁴¹
64. To Him belongs what is in the heavens and what is on the earth. And indeed, Allāh is the Free of need, the Praiseworthy.
65. Do you not see that Allāh has subjected to you whatever is on the earth and the ships which run through the sea by His command? And He restrains the sky from falling upon the earth, unless by His permission. Indeed Allāh, to the people, is Kind and Merciful.
66. And He is the one who gave you life; then He causes you to die and then will [again] give you life. Indeed, mankind is ungrateful.
67. For every [religious] community We have appointed rites which they perform. So, [O Muḥammad], let them [i.e., the disbelievers] not contend with you over the matter but invite [them] to your Lord. Indeed, you are upon straight guidance.
68. And if they dispute with you, then say, "Allāh is most knowing of what you do.

ذَٰلِكَ بِأَنَّ اللَّهَ هُوَ الْحَقُّ وَأَنَّ مَا يَدْعُونَ مِن دُونِهِ هُوَ الْبَاطِلُ وَأَنَّ اللَّهَ هُوَ الْعَلِيُّ الْكَبِيرُ ﴿٦٢﴾

أَلَمْ تَرَ أَنَّ اللَّهَ أَنْزَلَ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ مَاءً فَتُصْبِحُ الْأَرْضُ مُخْضَرَّةً إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَطِيفٌ خَبِيرٌ ﴿٦٣﴾

لَهُ مَا فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَمَا فِي الْأَرْضِ وَإِنَّ اللَّهَ لَهُو الْعَظِيمُ الْحَمِيدُ ﴿٦٤﴾

أَلَمْ تَرَ أَنَّ اللَّهَ سَخَّرَ لَكُم مَّا فِي الْأَرْضِ وَالْفُلُكَ تَجْرِي فِي الْبَحْرِ بِأَمْرِهِ وَيُمْسِكُ السَّمَاءَ أَنْ تَقَعَ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ إِلَّا بِإِذْنِهِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ بِالنَّاسِ لَرَءُوفٌ رَّحِيمٌ ﴿٦٥﴾

وَهُوَ الَّذِي أَحْيَاكُمْ ثُمَّ يُمِيتُكُمْ ثُمَّ يُحْيِيكُمْ إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لَكَفُورٌ ﴿٦٦﴾

لِكُلِّ أُمَّةٍ جَعَلْنَا مَنْسَكًا هُمْ نَاسِكُوهُ فَلَا يُنْزِعُكَ فِي الْأَمْرِ وَأَذْعُ إِلَىٰ رَبِّكَ إِنَّكَ لَعَلَىٰ هُدًى مُّسْتَقِيمٍ ﴿٦٧﴾

وَإِن جَادَلُوكَ فَقُلِ اللَّهُ أَعْلَمُ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ ﴿٦٨﴾

⁹⁴⁰Refer to footnote of 6:103.

⁹⁴¹Of His creation and of the needs of His creatures.

69. Allāh will judge between you on the Day of Resurrection concerning that over which you used to differ."
70. Do you not know that Allāh knows what is in the heaven and earth? Indeed, that is in a Record.⁹⁴² Indeed that, for Allāh, is easy.
71. And they worship besides Allāh that for which He has not sent down authority and that of which they have no knowledge. And there will not be for the wrongdoers any helper.
72. And when Our verses are recited to them as clear evidences, you recognize in the faces of those who disbelieve disapproval. They are almost on the verge of assaulting those who recite to them Our verses. Say, "Then shall I inform you of [what is] worse than that?⁹⁴³ [It is] the Fire which Allāh has promised those who disbelieve, and wretched is the destination."
73. O people, an example is presented, so listen to it. Indeed, those you invoke besides Allāh will never create [as much as] a fly, even if they gathered together for it [i.e., that purpose]. And if the fly should steal from them a [tiny] thing, they could not recover it from him. Weak are the pursuer and pursued.⁹⁴⁴

اللَّهُ يَحْكُمُ بَيْنَكُمْ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ فِيمَا كُنْتُمْ فِيهِ تَخْتَلِفُونَ ﴿٦٩﴾

أَلَمْ تَعْلَمْ أَنَّ اللَّهَ يَعْلَمُ مَا فِي السَّمَاءِ وَالْأَرْضِ إِنَّ ذَلِكَ فِي كِتَابٍ إِنَّ ذَلِكَ عَلَى اللَّهِ يَسِيرٌ ﴿٧٠﴾

وَيَعْبُدُونَ مِن دُونِ اللَّهِ مَا لَمْ يُخَزَلْ بِهِ سُلْطَانًا وَمَا لَيْسَ لَهُم بِهِ عِلْمٌ وَمَا لِلظَّالِمِينَ مِن نَّصِيرٍ ﴿٧١﴾

وَإِذَا تُتْلَىٰ عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتُنَا بَيِّنَاتٍ تَعْرِفُ فِي وُجُوهِ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا الْمُنْكَرَ يَكَادُونَ يَسْطُونَ بِالَّذِينَ يَتْلُونَ عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتِنَا قُلْ أَفَأَنْتُمْ بِشِرِّ مَن ذَلِكُمْ النَّارُ وَعَدَهَا اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا وَبئسَ الْمَصِيرُ ﴿٧٢﴾

يَتَأْتِيهَا النَّاسُ ضُرْبٌ مِّثْلُ مَا تَسْمَعُونَ لَهُ ۗ إِنَّ الَّذِينَ تَدْعُونَ مِن دُونِ اللَّهِ لَن يَخْلُقُوا ذُبَابًا وَلَوْ اجْتَمَعُوا لَهُ ۗ وَإِن يَسْتَلِيمُ الذُّبَابُ شَيْئًا لَّا يَسْتَنْفِذُوهُ مِنْهُ ۗ ضَعُفَ الطَّالِبُ وَالْمَطْلُوبُ ﴿٧٣﴾

⁹⁴²The Preserved Slate (*al-Lawḥ al-Mahfūṭ*), which is with Allāh.

⁹⁴³i.e., worse than the rage you feel against those who recite Allāh's verses or worse than your threats against them.

⁹⁴⁴A comparison is made here to the worshipper of a false deity and that which he worships.

74. They have not appraised Allāh with true appraisal.⁹⁴⁵ Indeed, Allāh is Powerful and Exalted in Might.
- مَا قَدَرُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ قَدْرِهِ ۗ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَقَوِيٌّ عَزِيزٌ ﴿٢٢﴾
75. Allāh chooses from the angels messengers and from the people. Indeed, Allāh is Hearing and Seeing.
- اللَّهُ يَصْطَفِي مِنَ الْمَلَائِكَةِ رُسُلًا وَمِنَ النَّاسِ ۗ إِنَّ اللَّهَ سَمِيعٌ بَصِيرٌ ﴿٢٣﴾
76. He knows what is [presently] before them and what will be after them.⁹⁴⁶ And to Allāh will be returned [all] matters.
- يَعْلَمُ مَا بَيْنَ أَيْدِيهِمْ وَمَا خَلْفَهُمْ ۗ وَإِلَى اللَّهِ تُرْجَعُ الْأُمُورُ ﴿٢٤﴾
77. O you who have believed, bow and prostrate and worship your Lord and do good – that you may succeed.
- يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا ارْكَعُوا وَاسْجُدُوا وَاعْبُدُوا رَبَّكُمْ وَافْعَلُوا الْخَيْرَ لَعَلَّكُمْ تُفْلِحُونَ ﴿٢٥﴾ ﴿٢٦﴾
78. And strive for Allāh with the striving due to Him. He has chosen you and has not placed upon you in the religion any difficulty. [It is] the religion of your father, Abraham. He [i.e., Allāh] named you "Muslims" before [in former scriptures] and in this [revelation] that the Messenger may be a witness over you and you may be witnesses over the people. So establish prayer and give zakāh and hold fast to Allāh. He is your protector; and excellent is the protector, and excellent is the helper.
- وَجَاهِدُوا فِي اللَّهِ حَقَّ جِهَادِهِ ۗ هُوَ اجْتَبَاكُمْ وَمَا جَعَلَ عَلَيْكُمْ فِي الدِّينِ مِنْ حَرَجٍ ۗ مِلَّةَ أَبِيكُمْ إِبْرَاهِيمَ ۗ هُوَ سَمَّاكُمُ الْمُسْلِمِينَ مِنْ قَبْلُ وَفِي هَذَا لِيَكُونَ الرَّسُولُ شَهِيدًا عَلَيْكُمْ وَتَكُونُوا شُهَدَاءَ عَلَى النَّاسِ فَأَقِيمُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَآتُوا الزَّكَاةَ وَاعْتَصِمُوا بِاللَّهِ هُوَ مَوْلَاكُمْ فَنِعْمَ الْمَوْلَى وَنِعْمَ النَّصِيرُ ﴿٢٧﴾

⁹⁴⁵They have not assessed Him with the assessment due to Him, meaning that they did not take into account His perfect attributes.

⁹⁴⁶See footnote to 2:255.