

saved] for them, except a little from which you will store.

49. Then will come after that a year in which the people will be given rain and in which they will press [olives and grapes]."

ثُمَّ يَأْتِي مِنْ بَعْدِ ذَلِكَ عَامٌ فِيهِ يُغَاثُ النَّاسُ وَفِيهِ يَعَصِرُونَ ﴿٤٩﴾

50. And the king said, "Bring him to me." But when the messenger came to him, [Joseph] said, "Return to your master and ask him what is the case of the women who cut their hands. Indeed, my Lord is Knowing of their plan."

وَقَالَ الْمَلِكُ أَتُتُونِي بِهِ ۖ فَلَمَّا جَاءَهُ الرَّسُولُ قَالَ أَرْجِعْ إِلَىٰ رَبِّكَ فَسْأَلْهُ مَا بَالُ النِّسْوَةِ الَّتِي قَطَّعْنَ أَيْدِيَهُنَّ ۚ إِنَّ رَبِّي بِكَيْدِهِنَّ عَلِيمٌ ﴿٥٠﴾

51. Said [the king to the women], "What was your condition when you sought to seduce Joseph?" They said, "Perfect is Allāh!<sup>600</sup> We know about him no evil." The wife of al-'Azeez said, "Now the truth has become evident. It was I who sought to seduce him, and indeed, he is of the truthful.

قَالَ مَا خَطْبُكُنَّ إِذْ رَاودْتُنَّ يُوسُفَ عَنْ نَفْسِهِ ۚ قُلْنَ حَاشَ لِلَّهِ مَا عَلِمْنَا عَلَيْهِ مِنْ سُوءٍ ۚ قَالَتِ امْرَأَتُ الْعَزِيزِ الْكُنْ حَصْحَصَ الْحَقِّ أَنَا رَاودْتُهُ عَنْ نَفْسِهِ وَإِنَّهُ لَمِنَ الصَّادِقِينَ ﴿٥١﴾

52. That is so he [i.e., al-'Azeez] will know that I did not betray him in [his] absence and that Allāh does not guide the plan of betrayers.

ذَلِكَ لِيَعْلَمَ أَنِّي لَمْ أَخُنْهُ بِالْغَيْبِ وَأَنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَهْدِي كَيْدَ الْخَائِبِينَ ﴿٥٢﴾

53. And I do not acquit myself. Indeed, the soul is a persistent enjoiner of evil, except those upon which my Lord has mercy. Indeed, my Lord is Forgiving and Merciful."<sup>601</sup>

﴿٥٣﴾ وَمَا أَتَّبِعُ نَفْسِي ۖ إِنَّ النَّفْسَ لَأَمَّارَةٌ بِالسُّوءِ إِلَّا مَا رَحِمَ رَبِّي ۚ إِنَّ رَبِّي غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ ﴿٥٣﴾

54. And the king said, "Bring him to

وَقَالَ الْمَلِكُ أَتُتُونِي بِهِ ۖ أَسْتَخْلِصْهُ

<sup>600</sup>In His ability to create such purity of character.

<sup>601</sup>Although Ibn Katheer attributes the words of verses 52-53 to the wife of al-'Azeez, others have concluded that they were spoken by Joseph, thereby justifying his request for an inquiry and acknowledging Allāh's mercy to him.

me; I will appoint him exclusively for myself." And when he spoke to him, he said, "Indeed, you are today established [in position] and trusted."

لِنَفْسِي ۖ فَلَمَّا كَلَّمَهُ قَالَ إِنَّكَ الْيَوْمَ لَدَيْنَا  
مَكِينٌ أَمِينٌ ﴿٤٤﴾

55. [Joseph] said, "Appoint me over the storehouses of the land. Indeed, I will be a knowing guardian."

قَالَ آجْعَلْنِي عَلَى خَزَائِنِ الْأَرْضِ ۚ إِنِّي  
حَفِيظٌ عَلِيمٌ ﴿٤٥﴾

56. And thus We established Joseph in the land to settle therein wherever he willed. We touch with Our mercy whom We will, and We do not allow to be lost the reward of those who do good.

وَكَذَلِكَ مَكَّنَّا لِيُوسُفَ فِي الْأَرْضِ يَتَّبِعُوا  
مِنْهَا حَيْثُ يَشَاءُ ۚ نُصِيبُ بِرَحْمَتِنَا مَن نَّشَاءُ  
وَلَا نُضِيعُ أَجْرَ الْمُحْسِنِينَ ﴿٤٦﴾

57. And the reward of the Hereafter is better for those who believed and were fearing Allāh.

وَلَأَجْرُ الْآخِرَةِ خَيْرٌ لِلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَكَانُوا  
يَتَّقُونَ ﴿٤٧﴾

58. And the brothers of Joseph came [seeking food], and they entered upon him; and he recognized them, but he was to them unknown.<sup>602</sup>

وَجَاءَ إِخْوَةُ يُوسُفَ فَدَخَلُوا عَلَيْهِ فَعَرَفَهُمْ  
وَهُمْ لَهُ مُنْكَرُونَ ﴿٤٨﴾

59. And when he had furnished them with their supplies, he said, "Bring me a brother of yours from your father.<sup>603</sup> Do you not see that I give full measure and that I am the best of accommodators?

وَلَمَّا جَهَّزَهُم بِجَهَّازِهِمْ قَالَ أَتْتُونِي بِأَخٍ  
لَّكُمْ مِّنْ أَبِيكُمْ ۚ أَلاَ تَرَوْنَ أَنِّي أَوْفَى  
الْكَيْلِ وَأَنَا خَيْرُ الْمُنْزِلِينَ ﴿٤٩﴾

60. But if you do not bring him to me, no measure will there be [hereafter] for you from me, nor will you approach me."

فَإِن لَّمْ تَأْتُونِي بِهِ ۖ فَلَا كَيْلَ لَّكُمْ عِنْدِي  
وَلَا تَقْرَبُونِ ﴿٥٠﴾

61. They said, "We will attempt to

قَالُوا سَتَرُوهُ عَنْهُ أَبَاهُ وَإِنَّا لَفَاعِلُونَ ﴿٥١﴾

<sup>602</sup>Due to the change in his appearance over the years.

<sup>603</sup>i.e., Benjamin, who had been kept at home by his father Jacob.

dissuade his father from [keeping] him, and indeed, we will do [it]."

62. And [Joseph] said to his servants, "Put their merchandise<sup>604</sup> into their saddlebags so they might recognize it when they have gone back to their people that perhaps they will [again] return."

وَقَالَ لِفِتْيَانِهِ آجِعُوا بِصُعْتِهِمْ فِي رِحَالِهِمْ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَعْرِفُونَهَا إِذَا انْقَلَبُوا إِلَى أَهْلِهِمْ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَرْجِعُونَ ﴿٦٢﴾

63. So when they returned to their father, they said, "O our father, [further] measure has been denied to us, so send with us our brother [that] we will be given measure. And indeed, we will be his guardians."

فَلَمَّا رَجَعُوا إِلَى أَبِيهِمْ قَالُوا يَا أَبَانَا مُنِعَ مِنَّا الْكَيْلُ فَأَرْسِلْ مَعَنَا أَخَانَا نَكْتَلْ وَإِنَّا لَهُ لَحَافِظُونَ ﴿٦٣﴾

64. He said, "Should I entrust you with him except [under coercion] as I entrusted you with his brother before? But Allāh is the best guardian, and He is the most merciful of the merciful."

قَالَ هَلْ ءَامَنُكُمْ عَلَيْهِ إِلَّا كَمَا ءَامَنُتُمْ عَلَىٰ أَخِيهِ مِنْ قَبْلُ فَأَلَّهَ خَيْرٌ حَافِظًا وَهُوَ أَرْحَمُ الرَّاحِمِينَ ﴿٦٤﴾

65. And when they opened their baggage, they found their merchandise returned to them. They said, "O our father, what [more] could we desire? This is our merchandise returned to us. And we will obtain supplies [i.e., food] for our family and protect our brother and obtain an increase of a camel's load; that is an easy measurement."<sup>605</sup>

وَلَمَّا فَتَحُوا مَتَاعَهُمْ وَجَدُوا بِصُعْتِهِمْ رُدَّتْ إِلَيْهِمْ قَالُوا يَا أَبَانَا مَا نَبْغِي هَذِهِ بِصُعْتِنَا رُدَّتْ إِلَيْنَا وَنَمِيرُ أَهْلَنَا وَنَحْفَظُ أَخَانَا وَزَادُ كَيْلَ بَعِيرٍ ذَلِكَ كَيْلٌ يَسِيرٌ ﴿٦٥﴾

66. [Jacob] said, "Never will I send him with you until you give me a promise [i.e., oath] by Allāh that

قَالَ لَنْ أَرْسِلَهُ مَعَكُمْ حَتَّى تُؤْتُونِ مَوْثِقًا مِنَ اللَّهِ لَتَأْتُنِي بِهِ إِلَّا أَنْ تُحَاطَ

<sup>604</sup>The goods which they had brought to trade for food supplies.

<sup>605</sup>For them. Or one obtained by us with ease.

you will bring him [back] to me, unless you should be surrounded [i.e., overcome by enemies]." And when they had given their promise, he said, "Allāh, over what we say, is Entrusted."<sup>606</sup>

67. And he said, "O my sons, do not enter from one gate but enter from different gates; and I cannot avail you against [the decree of] Allāh at all. The decision is only for Allāh; upon Him I have relied, and upon Him let those who would rely [indeed] rely."

68. And when they entered from where their father had ordered them, it did not avail them against Allāh at all except [it was] a need [i.e., concern] within the soul of Jacob, which he satisfied. And indeed, he was a possessor of knowledge because of what We had taught him, but most of the people do not know.

69. And when they entered upon Joseph, he took his brother to himself; he said, "Indeed, I am your brother, so do not despair over what they used to do [to me]."

70. So when he had furnished them with their supplies, he put the [gold measuring] bowl into the bag of his brother. Then an announcer called out, "O caravan, indeed you are thieves."

71. They said while approaching them, "What is it you are missing?"

يُكْمُ فَلَمَّا آتَوْهُ مَوْتِقُهُمْ قَالَ اللَّهُ عَلَى مَا نَقُولُ وَكِيلٌ ﴿٦٧﴾

وَقَالَ يَبْنَئِي لَا تَدْخُلُوا مِنْ بَابٍ وَاحِدٍ وَادْخُلُوا مِنْ أَبْوَابٍ مُتَفَرِّقَةٍ وَمَا أُغْنِي عَنْكُمْ مِنَ اللَّهِ مِنْ شَيْءٍ إِنْ أَحْكَمُ إِلَّا لِلَّهِ عَلَيْهِ تَوَكَّلْتُ وَعَلَيْهِ فَلْيَتَوَكَّلِ الْمُتَوَكِّلُونَ ﴿٦٨﴾

وَلَمَّا دَخَلُوا مِنْ حَيْثُ أَمَرَهُمْ أَبُوهُمْ مَا كَانَ يُغْنِي عَنْهُمْ مِنَ اللَّهِ مِنْ شَيْءٍ إِلَّا حَاجَةً فِي نَفْسِ يَعْقُوبَ قَضَاهَا وَإِنَّهُ لَذُو عِلْمٍ لِمَا عَلَّمْنَاهُ وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَ النَّاسِ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٦٩﴾

وَلَمَّا دَخَلُوا عَلَى يُوسُفَ ءَاوَىٰ إِلَيْهِ أَخَاهُ قَالَ إِنِّي أَنَا أَخُوكَ فَلَا تَبْتَئِسْ بِمَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ ﴿٧٠﴾

فَلَمَّا جَهَّزَهُمْ بِجَهَّازِهِمْ جَعَلَ السِّقَايَةَ فِي رَحْلِ أَخِيهِ ثُمَّ أَذَّنَ مُؤَذِّنٌ أَتَيْنَهَا الْغَيْرُ إِنَّكُمْ لَسَرِقُونَ ﴿٧١﴾

قَالُوا وَأَقْبِلُوا عَلَيْهِمْ مَاذَا تَفْقِدُونَ ﴿٧٢﴾

<sup>606</sup>i.e., sufficient to witness and deal with the matter.

72. They said, "We are missing the measure of the king. And for he who produces it is [the reward of] a camel's load, and I am responsible for it."

قَالُوا نَفَقْدُ صَوَاعَ الْمَلِكِ وَلِمَنْ جَاءَ بِهِ  
جَمْلُ بَعِيرٍ وَأَنَا بِهِ زَعِيمٌ ﴿٧٢﴾

73. They said, "By Allāh, you have certainly known that we did not come to cause corruption in the land, and we have not been thieves."

قَالُوا تَاللَّهِ لَقَدْ عَلِمْتُمْ مَا جِئْنَا لِنُفْسِدَ فِي  
الْأَرْضِ وَمَا كُنَّا سَرِقِينَ ﴿٧٣﴾

74. They [the accusers] said, "Then what would be its recompense<sup>607</sup> if you should be liars?"

قَالُوا فَمَا جَزَاؤُهُ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ كَاذِبِينَ ﴿٧٤﴾

75. [The brothers] said, "Its recompense is that he in whose bag it is found – he [himself] will be its recompense.<sup>608</sup> Thus do we recompense the wrongdoers."

قَالُوا جَزَاؤُهُ مَنْ وُجِدَ فِي رَحْلِهِ فَهُوَ  
جَزَاؤُهُ كَذَلِكَ نَجْزِي الظَّالِمِينَ ﴿٧٥﴾

76. So he began [the search] with their bags before the bag of his brother; then he extracted it from the bag of his brother. Thus did We plan for Joseph. He could not have taken his brother within the religion [i.e., law] of the king except that Allāh willed. We raise in degrees whom We will, but over every possessor of knowledge is one [more] knowing.<sup>609</sup>

فَبَدَأَ بِأَوْعِيَتِهِمْ قَبْلَ وِعَاءِ أَخِيهِ ثُمَّ  
اسْتَخْرَجَهَا مِنْ وِعَاءِ أَخِيهِ كَذَلِكَ كِدْنَا  
لْيُوسُفَ مَا كَانَ لِيَأْخُذَ أَخَاهُ فِي دِينِ  
الْمَلِكِ إِلَّا أَنْ يَشَاءَ اللَّهُ نَرْفَعُ دَرَجَاتٍ مَنْ  
نَشَاءُ وَفَوْقَ كُلِّ ذِي عِلْمٍ عَلِيمٌ ﴿٧٦﴾

77. They said, "If he steals – a brother of his has stolen before." But Joseph kept it within himself and did not reveal it to them.<sup>610</sup>

قَالُوا إِنْ يَسْرِقْ فَقَدْ سَرَقَ أَخٌ لَهُ مِنْ  
قَبْلُ فَأَسْرَهَا يُوسُفُ فِي نَفْسِهِ وَلَمْ يُبْدِهَا  
لَهُمْ قَالَ أَنْتُمْ شَرُّ مَكَانٍ وَاللَّهُ أَعْلَمُ بِمَا

<sup>607</sup>The punishment for theft.

<sup>608</sup>According to their law, a convicted thief was made a slave of the one from whom he had stolen.

<sup>609</sup>Ending with the ultimate knowledge of Allāh (*subḥānahu wa ta'ālā*).

<sup>610</sup>He did not answer that he himself had been stolen by them from his father.

He said, "You are worse in position, and Allāh is most knowing of what you describe."

تَصِفُونَ ﴿٧٧﴾

78. They said, "O 'Azeez,<sup>611</sup> indeed he has a father [who is] an old man, so take one of us in place of him. Indeed, we see you as a doer of good."

قَالُوا يَتَّيِّبُهَا الْعَزِيزُ إِنَّ لَهُ أَبًا شَيْخًا كَبِيرًا فَخُذْ أَحَدَنَا مَكَانَهُ إِنَّا نَرَاكَ مِنَ الْمُحْسِنِينَ ﴿٧٨﴾

79. He said, "[I seek] the refuge of Allāh [to prevent] that we take except him with whom we found our possession. Indeed, we would then be unjust."

قَالَ مَعَاذَ اللَّهِ أَن نَّأْخُذَ إِلَّا مَن وَجَدْنَا مَتَّعَنَا عِنْدَهُ إِنَّا إِذَا لَطَلِمُونَ ﴿٧٩﴾

80. So when they had despaired of him, they secluded themselves in private consultation. The eldest of them said, "Do you not know that your father has taken upon you an oath by Allāh and [that] before you failed in [your duty to] Joseph? So I will never leave [this] land until my father permits me or Allāh decides for me,<sup>612</sup> and He is the best of judges.

فَلَمَّا أَسْتَيْسَسُوا مِنْهُ خَلَصُوا خِيًّا قَالَ كَبِيرُهُمْ أَلَمْ تَعْلَمُوا أَنَّ أَبَاكُمْ قَدْ أَخَذَ عَلَيْكُمْ مَوْثِقًا مِنَ اللَّهِ وَمِن قَبْلُ مَا فَرَّطْتُمْ فِي يُوسُفَ فَلَن أَبْرَحَ الْأَرْضَ حَتَّى يَأْذَنَ لِي أَبِي أَوْ يَحْكُمَ اللَّهُ لِي وَهُوَ خَيْرُ الْحَاكِمِينَ ﴿٨٠﴾

81. Return to your father and say, 'O our father, indeed your son has stolen, and we did not testify except to what we knew. And we were not witnesses of the unseen.<sup>613</sup>

أَرْجِعُونَا إِلَى آبَائِكُمْ فَقُولُوا يَتَّابَانَا إِنَّ ابْنَكَ سَرَقَ وَمَا شَهِدْنَا إِلَّا بِمَا عَلِمْنَا وَمَا كُنَّا لِلْغَيْبِ حَافِظِينَ ﴿٨١﴾

82. And ask the city in which we were and the caravan in which we came – and indeed, we are truthful."

وَسَلِّ الْفَرِيَّةَ الَّتِي كُنَّا فِيهَا وَالْعِيرَ الَّتِي أَقْبَلْنَا فِيهَا وَإِنَّا لَصَادِقُونَ ﴿٨٢﴾

<sup>611</sup> Addressing Joseph, who now held the title of "al-'Azeez."

<sup>612</sup> i.e., in my favor by bringing about the release of Benjamin.

<sup>613</sup> i.e., We could not have known when we gave you the oath that he would steal and be apprehended.

83. [Jacob] said, "Rather, your souls have enticed you to something, so patience is most fitting. Perhaps Allāh will bring them to me all together. Indeed, it is He who is the Knowing, the Wise."

قَالَ بَلْ سَوَّلَتْ لَكُمْ أَنْفُسُكُمْ أَمْرًا فَصَبْرٌ  
حَمِيلٌ عَلَى اللَّهِ أَنْ يَأْتِيَنِي بِهِمْ جَمِيعًا  
إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْعَلِيمُ الْحَكِيمُ ﴿٣٧﴾

84. And he turned away from them and said, "Oh, my sorrow over Joseph," and his eyes became white<sup>614</sup> from grief, for he was [of that] a suppressor.<sup>615</sup>

وَتَوَلَّى عَنْهُمْ وَقَالَ يَا سَعْدَى عَلَى يُونُسَ  
وَأَبْيَضَّتْ عَيْنَاهُ مِنَ الْحُزَنِ فَهُوَ كَظِيمٌ ﴿٣٨﴾

85. They said, "By Allāh, you will not cease remembering Joseph until you become fatally ill or become of those who perish."

قَالُوا تَاللَّهِ تَفْتُنَا تَذَكَّرُ يُونُسَ حَتَّى  
تَكُونَ حَرَضًا أَوْ تَكُونَ مِنَ الْهَالِكِينَ ﴿٣٩﴾

86. He said, "I only complain of my suffering and my grief to Allāh, and I know from Allāh that which you do not know."

قَالَ إِنَّمَا أَشْكُوا بَنِي وَحْزَنِي إِلَى اللَّهِ وَأَعْلَمُ  
مِنَ اللَّهِ مَا لَا تَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٤٠﴾

87. O my sons, go and find out about Joseph and his brother and despair not of relief from Allāh. Indeed, no one despairs of relief from Allāh except the disbelieving people."

يَبْنَى أَذْهَبُوا فَتَحَسَّسُوا مِنْ يُونُسَ وَأَخِيهِ  
وَلَا تَيْئَسُوا مِنْ رَوْحِ اللَّهِ إِنَّهُ لَا يَيْئَسُ  
مِنْ رَوْحِ اللَّهِ إِلَّا الْقَوْمُ الْكَافِرُونَ ﴿٤١﴾

88. So when they entered upon him [i.e., Joseph], they said, "O 'Azeez, adversity has touched us and our family, and we have come with goods poor in quality, but give us full measure and be charitable to us. Indeed, Allāh rewards the charitable."

فَلَمَّا دَخَلُوا عَلَيْهِ قَالُوا يَا أَيُّهَا الْعَزِيزُ مَسَّنَا  
وَأَهْلَانَا الضَّرُّ وَجِئْنَا بِبِضْعَةٍ مُرَجَبَةٍ فَأَوْفِ  
لَنَا الْكَيْلَ وَتَصَدَّقْ عَلَيْنَا إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَجْزِي  
الْمُتَصَدِّقِينَ ﴿٤٢﴾

89. He said, "Do you know what you

قَالَ هَلْ عَلِمْتُمْ مَا فَعَلْتُمْ بِيُونُسَ وَأَخِيهِ إِذْ

<sup>614</sup>i.e., he lost his sight.

<sup>615</sup>He did not express the extent of his grief or his anger at what he suspected his sons had done but was patient, depending only upon Allāh for help.

did with Joseph and his brother when you were ignorant?"

أَنْتُمْ جَاهِلُونَ ﴿٨٥﴾

90. They said, "Are you indeed Joseph?" He said, "I am Joseph, and this is my brother. Allāh has certainly favored us. Indeed, he who fears Allāh and is patient, then indeed, Allāh does not allow to be lost the reward of those who do good."

قَالُوا أَأَنَّكَ لَا تَ يُوسُفُ قَالَ أَنَا يُوسُفُ وَهَذَا أَخِي قَدْ مَنَّ اللَّهُ عَلَيْنَا إِنَّهُ مَن يَتَّقِ وَيَصْبِرْ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُضِيعُ أَجَرَ الْمُحْسِنِينَ ﴿٨٦﴾

91. They said, "By Allāh, certainly has Allāh preferred you over us, and indeed, we have been sinners."

قَالُوا تَاللَّهِ لَقَدْ ءَاثَرَكَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْنَا وَإِنْ كُنَّا لَخٰطِئِينَ ﴿٨٧﴾

92. He said, "No blame will there be upon you today. May Allāh forgive you; and He is the most merciful of the merciful.

قَالَ لَا تَثْرِيبَ عَلَيْكُمُ الْيَوْمَ يَغْفِرُ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ وَهُوَ أَرْحَمُ الرَّاحِمِينَ ﴿٨٨﴾

93. Take this, my shirt, and cast it over the face of my father; he will become seeing. And bring me your family, all together."

أَذْهَبُوا بِقَمِيصِي هَذَا فَأَلْقُوهُ عَلَى وَجْهِ أَبِي يَأْتِ بَصِيرًا وَأْتُونِي بِأَهْلِكُمْ أَجْمَعِينَ ﴿٨٩﴾

94. And when the caravan departed [from Egypt], their father said,<sup>616</sup> "Indeed, I find the smell of Joseph [and would say that he was alive] if you did not think me weakened in mind."

وَلَمَّا فَصَلَ الْعِيرُ قَالَ أَبُوهُمْ إِنِّي لَأَجِدُ رِيحَ يُوسُفَ لَوْلَا أَنْ تُفَنِّدُونِ ﴿٩٠﴾

95. They said, "By Allāh, indeed you are in your [same] old error."

قَالُوا تَاللَّهِ إِنَّكَ لَفِي ضَلَالِكَ الْقَدِيمِ ﴿٩١﴾

96. And when the bearer of good tidings<sup>617</sup> arrived, he cast it over his face, and he returned [once again] seeing. He said, "Did I not tell you that I know from Allāh

فَلَمَّا أَن جَاءَ الْبَشِيرُ أَلْقَاهُ عَلَى وَجْهِهِ فَارْتَدَّتْ بَصِيرًا قَالَ أَلَمْ أَقُلْ لَّكُمْ إِنِّي أَعْلَمُ مِنَ اللَّهِ مَا لَا تَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٩٢﴾

<sup>616</sup>To those present with him, either some of his sons or other relatives.

<sup>617</sup>He who carried Joseph's shirt from among the brothers.

that which you do not know?"

97. They said, "O our father, ask for us forgiveness of our sins; indeed, we have been sinners."

قَالُوا يَتَابَانَا أَسْتَغْفِرْ لَنَا ذُنُوبَنَا إِنَّا كُنَّا خَاطِئِينَ ﴿١٧﴾

98. He said, "I will ask forgiveness for you from my Lord. Indeed, it is He who is the Forgiving, the Merciful."

قَالَ سَوْفَ أَسْتَغْفِرُ لَكُمْ رَبِّي إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ ﴿١٨﴾

99. And when they entered upon Joseph, he took his parents to himself [i.e., embraced them] and said, "Enter Egypt, Allāh willing, safe [and secure]."

فَلَمَّا دَخَلُوا عَلَى يُسُفَءِ آوَىٰ إِلَيْهِ أَبَوَيْهِ وَقَالَ ادْخُلُوا مِصْرَ إِن شَاءَ اللَّهُ ءَامِنِينَ ﴿١٩﴾

100. And he raised his parents upon the throne, and they bowed to him in prostration.<sup>618</sup> And he said, "O my father, this is the explanation of my vision of before. My Lord has made it reality. And He was certainly good to me when He took me out of prison and brought you [here] from bedouin life after Satan had induced [estrangement] between me and my brothers. Indeed, my Lord is Subtle<sup>619</sup> in what He wills. Indeed, it is He who is the Knowing, the Wise.

وَرَفَعَ أَبَوَيْهِ عَلَى الْعَرْشِ وَخَرُّوا لَهُ سُجَّدًا وَقَالَ يَتَابَتِ هَذَا تَأْوِيلُ رُءْيَايَ مِنْ قَبْلُ قَدْ جَعَلَهَا رَبِّي حَقًّا وَقَدْ أَحْسَنَ بِي إِذْ أَخْرَجَنِي مِنَ السِّجْنِ وَجَاءَ بِكُمْ مِنَ الْبَدْوِ مِنْ بَعْدِ أَنْ نَزَعَ الشَّيْطَانُ بَيْنِي وَبَيْنَ إِخْوَتِي إِنَّ رَبِّي لَطِيفٌ لِمَا يَشَاءُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْعَلِيمُ الْحَكِيمُ ﴿٢٠﴾

101. My Lord, You have given me [something] of sovereignty and taught me of the interpretation of dreams. Creator of the heavens and earth, You are my protector in this world and the Hereafter.

﴿٢١﴾ رَبِّ قَدْ ءَاتَيْتَنِي مِنَ الْمُلْكِ وَعَلَّمْتَنِي مَا تَأْوِيلُ الْأَحَادِيثِ فَاطِرَ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ أَنْتَ وَلِيّ فِي الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ

<sup>618</sup>That of greeting and respect, which was lawful until the time of Prophet Muḥammad (ﷺ). Prostration to any person or object other than Allāh was then prohibited conclusively.

<sup>619</sup>Perceptive of unapparent matters within which is benefit to His servants.

Cause me to die a Muslim and join me with the righteous."

102. That is from the news of the unseen which We reveal, [O Muḥammad], to you. And you were not with them when they put together their plan while they conspired.

103. And most of the people, although you strive [for it], are not believers.

104. And you do not ask of them for it any payment. It is not except a reminder to the worlds.

105. And how many a sign within the heavens and earth do they pass over while they, therefrom, are turning away.

106. And most of them believe not in Allāh except while they associate others with Him.

107. Then do they feel secure that there will not come to them an overwhelming [aspect] of the punishment of Allāh or that the Hour will not come upon them suddenly while they do not perceive?

108. Say, "This is my way; I invite to Allāh with insight, I and those who follow me. And exalted is Allāh; and I am not of those who associate others with Him."

109. And We sent not before you [as messengers] except men to whom We revealed from among the

تَوَفَّى مُسْلِمًا وَالْحَقِّقَى بِالصَّالِحِينَ ﴿١٠١﴾

ذَلِكَ مِنْ أَنْبَاءِ الْغَيْبِ نُوحِيهِ إِلَيْكَ وَمَا كُنْتَ لَدَيْهِمْ إِذْ اتَّخَذُوا أَمْرَهُمْ وَهُمْ يَمْكُرُونَ ﴿١٠٢﴾

وَمَا أَكْثَرُ النَّاسِ وَلَوْ حَرَصْتَ بِمُؤْمِنِينَ ﴿١٠٣﴾

وَمَا تَسْأَلُهُمْ عَلَيْهِ مِنْ أَجْرٍ إِنْ هُوَ إِلَّا ذِكْرٌ لِلْعَالَمِينَ ﴿١٠٤﴾

وَكَايِنٍ مِنْ آيَاتٍ فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ يَمْضُونَ عَلَيْهَا وَهُمْ عَنْهَا مُعْرِضُونَ ﴿١٠٥﴾

وَمَا يُؤْمِنُ أَكْثَرُهُمْ بِاللَّهِ إِلَّا وَهُمْ مُشْرِكُونَ ﴿١٠٦﴾

أَفَأَمِنُوا أَنْ تَأْتِيَهُمْ غَشِيَةٌ مِنْ عَذَابِ اللَّهِ أَوْ تَأْتِيَهُمُ السَّاعَةُ بَغْتَةً وَهُمْ لَا يَشْعُرُونَ ﴿١٠٧﴾

قُلْ هَذِهِ سَبِيلِي أَدْعُو إِلَى اللَّهِ عَلَى بَصِيرَةٍ أَنَا وَمَنِ اتَّبَعَنِي وَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَمَا أَنَا مِنَ الْمُشْرِكِينَ ﴿١٠٨﴾

وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَا مِنْ قَبْلِكَ إِلَّا رِجَالًا نُوحِي إِلَيْهِمْ مِنْ أَهْلِ الْقُرَى ۖ أَفَلَمْ يَسِيرُوا فِي

people of cities. So have they<sup>620</sup> not traveled through the earth and observed how was the end of those before them? And the home of the Hereafter is best for those who fear Allāh; then will you not reason?

الْأَرْضِ فَيَنْظُرُوا كَيْفَ كَانَ عَاقِبَةُ الَّذِينَ  
مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ ۖ وَلَدَارُ الْآخِرَةِ خَيْرٌ لِلَّذِينَ  
اتَّقَوْا أَفَلَا تَعْقِلُونَ ﴿١٠٩﴾

110. [They continued] until, when the messengers despaired and were certain that they had been denied, there came to them Our victory, and whoever We willed was saved. And Our punishment cannot be repelled from the people who are criminals.

حَتَّىٰ إِذَا اسْتَيْسَسَ الرُّسُلُ وَظَنُّوا أَنَّهُمْ قَدْ  
كُذِّبُوا جَاءَهُمْ نَصْرُنَا فَنُجِّيَ مَنْ نَشَاءُ  
وَلَا يُرَدُّ بَأْسُنَا عَنِ الْقَوْمِ الْمُجْرِمِينَ ﴿١١٠﴾

111. There was certainly in their stories a lesson for those of understanding. Never was it [i.e., the Qur'ān] a narration invented, but a confirmation of what was before it and a detailed explanation of all things and guidance and mercy for a people who believe.

لَقَدْ كَانَ فِي قَصَصِهِمْ عِبْرَةٌ لِأُولَى  
الْأَلْبَابِ ۚ مَا كَانَ حَدِيثًا يُفْتَرَىٰ وَلَكِن  
تَصْدِيقَ الَّذِي بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ وَتَفْصِيلَ كُلِّ  
شَيْءٍ وَهُدًى وَرَحْمَةً لِّقَوْمٍ يُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿١١١﴾

<sup>620</sup>Those who deny Prophet Muḥammad (ﷺ).

Sūrah ar-Ra‘d<sup>621</sup>

Bismillāhir-Raḥmānir-Raḥeem

## سُورَةُ الرَّعْدِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

1. Alif, Lām, Meem, Rā,<sup>622</sup> These are the verses of the Book; and what has been revealed to you from your Lord is the truth, but most of the people do not believe.
2. It is Allāh who erected the heavens without pillars that you [can] see; then He established Himself above the Throne<sup>623</sup> and made subject<sup>624</sup> the sun and the moon, each running [its course] for a specified term. He arranges [each] matter; He details the signs that you may, of the meeting with your Lord, be certain.
3. And it is He who spread the earth and placed therein firmly set mountains and rivers; and from all of the fruits He made therein two mates; He causes the night to cover the day. Indeed in that are signs for a people who give thought.
4. And within the land are neighboring plots and gardens of grapevines and crops and palm trees, [growing] several from a root or otherwise,<sup>625</sup> watered with one water; but We make some of them exceed others in [quality of] fruit. Indeed in that are signs for a people who reason.

الْمَرَّ تِلْكَ ءَايَاتُ الْكِتَابِ وَالَّذِي أُنزِلَ  
إِلَيْكَ مِنْ رَبِّكَ الْحَقُّ وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَ  
النَّاسِ لَا يُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿١﴾

اللَّهُ الَّذِي رَفَعَ السَّمَوَاتِ بِغَيْرِ عَمَدٍ تَرَوْنَهَا  
ثُمَّ اسْتَوَىٰ عَلَى الْعَرْشِ وَسَخَّرَ الشَّمْسَ  
وَالْقَمَرَ كُلٌّ يَجْرِي لِأَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى يُدِيرُ  
الْأَمْرَ يُفَصِّلُ الْآيَاتِ لَعَلَّكُمْ بِلِقَاءِ رَبِّكُمْ  
تُوقِنُونَ ﴿٢﴾

وَهُوَ الَّذِي مَدَّ الْأَرْضَ وَجَعَلَ فِيهَا رَوَاسِيَ  
وَأَنْهَارًا وَمِنْ كُلِّ الثَّمَرَاتِ جَعَلَ فِيهَا زَوْجَيْنِ  
أُنثَيْنِ يُغْشَى اللَّيْلُ النَّهَارُ إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ  
لَآيَاتٍ لِّقَوْمٍ يَتَفَكَّرُونَ ﴿٣﴾

وَفِي الْأَرْضِ قِطْعٌ مُّتَبَعَرَةٌ وَجَنَّاتٌ مِّنْ  
أَعْنَابٍ وَزُرْعٌ وَنَخِيلٌ وَصِنَوَانٌ وَعَظَرُ صِنَوَانٍ  
يُسْقَىٰ بِمَاءٍ وَاحِدٍ وَنُفِضِلُ بَعْضَهَا عَلَىٰ  
بَعْضٍ فِي الْأَكْلِ إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ لَآيَاتٍ  
لِّقَوْمٍ يَعْقِلُونَ ﴿٤﴾

<sup>621</sup>Ar-Ra‘d: Thunder.<sup>622</sup>See footnote to 2:1.<sup>623</sup>See footnotes to 2:19 and 7:54.<sup>624</sup>For the benefit of mankind.<sup>625</sup>i.e., only one from a root.

5. And if you are astonished,<sup>626</sup> [O Muḥammad] – then astonishing is their saying, "When we are dust, will we indeed be [brought] into a new creation?" Those are the ones who have disbelieved in their Lord, and those will have shackles<sup>627</sup> upon their necks, and those are the companions of the Fire; they will abide therein eternally.

وَإِنْ تَعْجَبَ فَعَجَبٌ قَوْلُهُمْ أَإِذَا كُنَّا تُرَابًا  
أَعْنَا لَفِي خَلْقٍ جَدِيدٍ ۚ أُولَٰئِكَ الَّذِينَ  
كَفَرُوا بِرَبِّهِمْ وَأُولَٰئِكَ الَّذِينَ  
أَغْوَيْنَا فِي أَعْيُنِهِمْ ۖ  
وَأُولَٰئِكَ أَصْحَابُ النَّارِ ۖ هُمْ فِيهَا خَالِدُونَ ﴿٦٢٦﴾

6. They impatiently urge you to bring about evil before good,<sup>628</sup> while there has already occurred before them similar punishments [to what they demand]. And indeed, your Lord is the possessor of forgiveness for the people despite their wrongdoing, and indeed, your Lord is severe in penalty.

وَيَسْتَعْجِلُونَكَ بِالسَّيِّئَةِ قَبْلَ الْحَسَنَةِ ۚ وَقَدْ  
خَلَتْ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمُ الْأَمْثَلُ ۚ وَإِنَّ رَبَّكَ لَدُوٌّ  
مَغْفِرٌ لِلنَّاسِ عَلَى ظُلْمِهِمْ ۚ وَإِنَّ رَبَّكَ  
لَشَدِيدُ الْعِقَابِ ﴿٦٢٧﴾

7. And those who disbelieved say, "Why has a sign not been sent down to him from his Lord?" You are only a warner, and for every people is a guide.

وَيَقُولُ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا لَوْلَا نُزِّلَ عَلَيْهِ آيَةٌ  
مِّن رَّبِّهِ ۚ إِنَّمَا أَنْتَ مُنذِرٌ وَلِكُلِّ قَوْمٍ هَادٍ ﴿٦٢٨﴾

8. Allāh knows what every female carries<sup>629</sup> and what the wombs lose [prematurely] or exceed.<sup>630</sup> And everything with Him is by due measure.

اللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَحْمِلُ كُلُّ أُنْثَىٰ وَمَا تَغِيصُ  
الْأَرْحَامُ وَمَا تَزْدَادُ ۖ وَكُلُّ شَيْءٍ عِنْدَهُ  
بِمِقْدَارٍ ﴿٦٢٩﴾

9. [He is] Knower of the unseen and the witnessed, the Grand, the Exalted.

عَلِيمُ الْغَيْبِ وَالشَّهَادَةِ الْكَبِيرُ الْمُتَعَالِ ﴿٦٣٠﴾

<sup>626</sup> At those who deny resurrection.

<sup>627</sup> Iron collars to which their hands are chained.

<sup>628</sup> They said, challenging the Prophet (ﷺ) in ridicule, "Bring on the punishment, if you are truthful," rather than asking for mercy and forgiveness from Allāh.

<sup>629</sup> With absolute knowledge inclusive of every aspect of the fetus' existence.

<sup>630</sup> Beyond their normal period of pregnancy and/or the number of fetuses therein.

10. It is the same [to Him] concerning you whether one conceals [his] speech or publicizes it and whether one is hidden by night or conspicuous [among others] by day.

سَوَاءٌ مِنْكُمْ مَن أَسَرَ الْقَوْلَ وَمَن جَهَرَ بِهِ  
وَمَن هُوَ مُسْتَخْفٍ بِاللَّيْلِ وَسَارِبٌ بِالنَّهَارِ ﴿١٠﴾

11. For him [i.e., each one] are successive [angels]<sup>631</sup> before and behind him who protect him by the decree of Allāh.<sup>632</sup> Indeed, Allāh will not change the condition of a people until they change what is in themselves. And when Allāh intends for a people ill,<sup>633</sup> there is no repelling it. And there is not for them besides Him any patron.

لَهُ مُعَقِّبَاتٌ مِّن بَيْنِ يَدَيْهِ وَمِنْ خَلْفِهِ  
يَحْفَظُونَهُ مِمَّن أَمَرَ اللَّهُ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَغَيِّرُ  
مَا يَقَوْمٌ حَتَّى يَغْيُرُوا مَا بَأْنَفُسِهِمْ وَإِذَا  
أَرَادَ اللَّهُ بِقَوْمٍ سُوءًا فَلَا مَرَدَّ لَهُ وَمَا لَهُمْ  
مِّنْ دُونِهِ مِن وَّالٍ ﴿١١﴾

12. It is He who shows you lightning, [causing] fear and aspiration, and generates the heavy clouds.

هُوَ الَّذِي يُرِيكُمْ الْآبِقَ خَوْفًا وَطَمَعًا  
وَيُنشِئُ السَّحَابَ الثِّقَالَ ﴿١٢﴾

13. And the thunder exalts [Allāh] with praise of Him – and the angels [as well] from fear of Him – and He sends thunderbolts and strikes therewith whom He wills while they dispute about Allāh; and He is severe in assault.

وَتُسَبِّحُ الرَّعْدُ بِحَمْدِهِ وَالْمَلَكَةُ مِّنْ  
خِيفَتِهِ وَيُرْسِلُ الصَّوَاعِقَ فَيُصِيبُ بِهَا  
مَن يَشَاءُ وَهُمْ يُجَادِلُونَ فِي اللَّهِ وَهُوَ  
شَدِيدُ الْحَالِ ﴿١٣﴾

14. To Him [alone] is the supplication of truth. And those they call upon besides Him do not respond to them with a thing, except as one who stretches his hands toward water [from afar, calling it] to reach his mouth, but

لَهُ دَعْوَةُ الْحَقِّ وَالَّذِينَ يَدْعُونَ مِن دُونِهِ  
لَا يَسْتَجِيبُونَ لَهُمْ بِشَيْءٍ إِلَّا كَبَسِطَ  
كَفَّيْهِ إِلَى الْمَاءِ لِيَبْلُغَ فَاهُ وَمَا هُوَ بِبَلِّغِهِ  
وَمَا دُعَاءُ الْكَافِرِينَ إِلَّا فِي ضَلَالٍ ﴿١٤﴾

<sup>631</sup>Replacing each other by turn.

<sup>632</sup>The phrase may also be rendered "...who guard him from [everything except] the decree of Allāh."

<sup>633</sup>i.e., punishment or destruction because of their sins.

it will not reach it [thus].<sup>634</sup> And the supplication of the disbelievers is not but in error [i.e., futility].

15. And to Allāh prostrates whoever is within the heavens and the earth, willingly or by compulsion, and their shadows [as well] in the mornings and the afternoons.

وَلِلَّهِ يَسْجُدُ مَنْ فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ طَوْعًا وَكَرْهًا وَظِلَالُهُم بِالْغُدُوِّ وَالْآصَالِ ﴿١٥﴾



16. Say, "Who is Lord of the heavens and earth?" Say, "Allāh." Say, "Have you then taken besides Him allies not possessing [even] for themselves any benefit or any harm?" Say, "Is the blind equivalent to the seeing? Or is darkness equivalent to light? Or have they attributed to Allāh partners who created like His creation so that the creation [of each] seemed similar to them?"<sup>635</sup> Say, "Allāh is the Creator of all things, and He is the One, the Prevailing."<sup>636</sup>

قُلْ مَنْ رَبُّ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ قُلِ اللَّهُ قُلْ أَفَاتَّخَذْتُمْ مِنْ دُونِهِ أَوْلِيَاءَ لَا يَمْلِكُونَ أَنْفُسَهُمْ نَفْعًا وَلَا ضَرًّا قُلْ هَلْ يَسْتَوِي الْأَعْمَىٰ وَالْبَصِيرُ أَمْ هَلْ تَسْتَوِي الظُّلُمَةُ وَالنُّورُ أَمْ جَعَلُوا لِلَّهِ شُرَكَاءَ خَلَقُوا كَخَلْقِهِ فَتَشَبَّهُ الْخَلْقُ عَلَيْهِمْ قُلِ اللَّهُ خَلَقَ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ وَهُوَ الْوَاحِدُ الْقَهَّارُ ﴿١٦﴾

17. He sends down from the sky, rain, and valleys flow according to their capacity, and the torrent carries a rising foam. And from that [ore] which they heat in the fire, desiring adornments and utensils, is a foam like it. Thus Allāh presents [the example of] truth and falsehood. As for the foam, it vanishes, [being] cast off; but as for that which benefits the people, it remains on the earth. Thus does Allāh present examples.

أَنْزَلَ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ مَاءً فَسَالَتْ أَوْدِيَةٌ بِقَدَرِهَا فَاحْتَمَلَ السَّيْلُ زَبَدًا رَابِيًا وَمِمَّا يُوقِدُونَ عَلَيْهِ فِي النَّارِ ابْتِغَاءَ حِلْيَةٍ أَوْ مَتَاعٍ زَبَدٌ مِثْلُهٗ كَذَلِكَ يَضْرِبُ اللَّهُ الْحَقَّ وَالْبَاطِلَ فَأَمَّا الزَّبَدُ فَيَذْهَبُ جُفَاءً وَأَمَّا مَا يَنْفَعُ النَّاسَ فَيَمْكُثُ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَذَلِكَ يَضْرِبُ اللَّهُ الْأَمْثَالَ ﴿١٧﴾

<sup>634</sup>The analogy indicates that false deities will never respond to them at all.

<sup>635</sup>The obvious conclusion is that the claimed partners, having no ability to create, cannot be compared to Allāh in any way.

<sup>636</sup>Refer to footnotes in 12:39.

18. For those who have responded to their Lord is the best [reward], but those who did not respond to Him – if they had all that is in the earth entirely and the like of it with it, they would [attempt to] ransom themselves thereby. Those will have the worst account, and their refuge is Hell, and wretched is the resting place.

لِلَّذِينَ اسْتَجَابُوا لِرَبِّهِمْ الْحُسْنَىٰ وَالَّذِينَ  
لَمْ يَسْتَجِيبُوا لَهُ لَوْ أَنَّ لَهُم مَّا فِي  
الْأَرْضِ جَمِيعًا وَمِثْلَهُ مَعَهُ لَافْتَدَوْا بِهِ  
أُولَٰئِكَ هُم سُوءُ الْحِسَابِ وَمَأْوَهُم جَهَنَّمُ  
وَبِئْسَ الْمِهَادُ ﴿١٨﴾

19. Then is he who knows that what has been revealed to you from your Lord is the truth like one who is blind? They will only be reminded who are people of understanding –

﴿ أَمَّنْ يَعْلَمُ أَنَّمَا أُنْزِلَ إِلَيْكَ مِنْ رَبِّكَ  
الْحَقُّ كَمَنْ هُوَ أَعْمَىٰ ۚ إِنَّمَا يَتَذَكَّرُ أُولَٰؤُ  
الْأَلْبَابِ ﴾ ﴿١٩﴾

20. Those who fulfill the covenant of Allāh and do not break the contract,

الَّذِينَ يُوفُونَ بِعَهْدِ اللَّهِ وَلَا يَنْقُضُونَ  
الْمِيثَاقَ ﴿٢٠﴾

21. And those who join that which Allāh has ordered to be joined<sup>637</sup> and fear their Lord and are afraid of the evil of [their] account,

وَالَّذِينَ يَصِلُونَ مَا أَمَرَ اللَّهُ بِهِمْ أَنْ يُوصَلَ  
وَيَخْشَوْنَ رَبَّهُمْ وَيَخَافُونَ سُوءَ الْحِسَابِ ﴿٢١﴾

22. And those who are patient, seeking the face [i.e., acceptance] of their Lord, and establish prayer and spend from what We have provided for them secretly and publicly and prevent evil with good – those will have the good consequence of [this] home<sup>638</sup> –

وَالَّذِينَ صَبَرُوا ابْتِغَاءَ وَجْهِ رَبِّهِمْ وَأَقَامُوا  
الصَّلَاةَ وَآَنَفَقُوا مِمَّا رَزَقْنَاهُمْ سِرًّا  
وَعَلَانِيَةً وَيَذَرُونَ بِالْحَسَنَةِ الْسَّيِّئَةَ  
أُولَٰئِكَ لَهُمْ عُقْبَى الدَّارِ ﴿٢٢﴾

23. Gardens of perpetual residence; they will enter them with whoever were righteous among their forefathers, their spouses and their descendants.

جَنَّاتُ عَدْنٍ يَدْخُلُونَهَا وَمَنْ صَلَحَ مِنْ  
ءَابَائِهِمْ وَأَزْوَاجِهِمْ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِمْ ۚ وَالْمَلَائِكَةُ

<sup>637</sup>: i.e., they uphold the ties of relationship.

<sup>638</sup>: i.e., the world and its trials, its good consequence being Paradise.

And the angels will enter upon them from every gate, [saying],

يَدْخُلُونَ عَلَيْهِمْ مِنْ كُلِّ بَابٍ ﴿٢٧﴾

24. "Peace [i.e., security] be upon you for what you patiently endured. And excellent is the final home."

سَلَامٌ عَلَيْكُمْ بِمَا صَبَرْتُمْ فَبِعَمَلٍ عَمِيٍّ الْآدَارُ ﴿٢٨﴾

25. But those who break the covenant of Allāh after contracting it and sever that which Allāh has ordered to be joined and spread corruption on earth – for them is the curse, and they will have the worst home.<sup>639</sup>

وَالَّذِينَ يَنْقُضُونَ عَهْدَ اللَّهِ مِنْ بَعْدِ مِيثَاقِهِ وَيَقْطَعُونَ مَا أَمَرَ اللَّهُ بِهِ أَنْ يُوصَلَ وَيُفْسِدُونَ فِي الْأَرْضِ أُولَٰئِكَ لَهُمُ اللَّعْنَةُ وَلَهُمْ سُوءُ الْآدَارِ ﴿٢٩﴾

26. Allāh extends provision for whom He wills and restricts [it]. And they rejoice in the worldly life, while the worldly life is not, compared to the Hereafter, except [brief] enjoyment.

اللَّهُ يَبْسُطُ الرِّزْقَ لِمَنْ يَشَاءُ وَيَقْدِرُ وَفَرَحُوا بِالْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَمَا الْحَيَاةُ الدُّنْيَا فِي الْآخِرَةِ إِلَّا مَتَعٌ ﴿٣٠﴾

27. And those who disbelieved say, "Why has a sign not been sent down to him from his Lord?" Say, [O Muḥammad], "Indeed, Allāh leaves astray whom He wills and guides to Himself whoever turns back [to Him] –

وَيَقُولُ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا لَوْلَا نُزِّلَ عَلَيْهِ آيَةٌ مِنْ رَبِّهِ قُلْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُضِلُّ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَيَهْدِي إِلَيْهِ مَنْ أُنَابَ ﴿٣١﴾

28. Those who have believed and whose hearts are assured by the remembrance of Allāh. Unquestionably, by the remembrance of Allāh hearts are assured."

الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَتَطْمَئِنُّ قُلُوبُهُمْ بِذِكْرِ اللَّهِ أَلَا بِذِكْرِ اللَّهِ تَطْمَئِنُّ الْقُلُوبُ ﴿٣٢﴾

29. Those who have believed and done righteous deeds – a good state is theirs and a good return.

الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ طُوبَىٰ لَهُمْ وَحُسْنُ مَكَابٍ ﴿٣٣﴾

<sup>639</sup>i.e., Hell. Another meaning is (in contrast to verse 22), "...and they will have the bad consequence of [this] home," also referring to Hell.

30. Thus have We sent you to a community before which [other] communities have passed on so you might recite to them that which We revealed to you, while they disbelieve in the Most Merciful. Say, "He is my Lord; there is no deity except Him. Upon Him I rely, and to Him is my return."

كَذَلِكَ أَرْسَلْنَاكَ فِي أُمَّةٍ قَدْ خَلَتْ مِنْ قَبْلِهَا أُمَمٌ لِّتَتْلُوَ عَلَيْهِمُ الَّذِي أَوْحَيْنَا إِلَيْكَ وَهُمْ يَكْفُرُونَ بِالرَّحْمَنِ قُلْ هُوَ رَبِّي لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ عَلَيْهِ تَوَكَّلْتُ وَإِلَيْهِ مَتَابِ



31. And if there was any qur'ān [i.e., recitation] by which the mountains would be removed or the earth would be broken apart or the dead would be made to speak,<sup>640</sup> [it would be this Qur'ān], but to Allāh belongs the affair entirely. Then have those who believed not accepted that had Allāh willed, He would have guided the people, all of them? And those who disbelieve do not cease to be struck, for what they have done, by calamity – or it will descend near their home – until there comes the promise of Allāh. Indeed, Allāh does not fail in [His] promise.

وَلَوْ أَنَّ قُرْآنًا سُيِّرَتْ بِهِ الْجِبَالُ أَوْ قُطِعَتْ بِهِ الْأَرْضُ أَوْ خُفِيَ بِهَ الْمَوْتُ بَلِ لِلَّهِ الْأَمْرُ جَمِيعًا أَفَلَمْ يَأْتِ سَيِّدُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَنْ لَوْ يَشَاءُ اللَّهُ لَهْدَى النَّاسَ جَمِيعًا وَلَا يَزَالُ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا تُصِيبُهُمْ بِمَا صَنَعُوا قَارِعَةٌ أَوْ تَحُلُ قَرِيبًا مِنْ دَارِهِمْ حَتَّى يَأْتِيَ وَعْدُ اللَّهِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا خَافَ الْمُنْعَادِ



32. And already were [other] messengers ridiculed before you, and I extended the time of those who disbelieved; then I seized them, and how [terrible] was My penalty.

وَلَقَدْ اسْتَهْزَأَ بِرُسُلٍ مِنْ قَبْلِكَ فَأَمَلَيْتُ لِلَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا ثُمَّ أَخَذْتُهُمْ فَكَيْفَ كَانَ



33. Then is He who is a maintainer of every soul, [knowing] what it has earned, [like any other]? But to

أَفَمَنْ هُوَ قَائِمٌ عَلَى كُلِّ نَفْسٍ بِمَا كَسَبَتْ وَجَعَلُوا لِلَّهِ شُرَكَاءَ قُلْ سَمُّوهُمْ أَمْ

<sup>640</sup>As suggested by the disbelievers.

Allāh they have attributed partners. Say, "Name them. Or do you inform Him of that<sup>641</sup> which He knows not upon the earth or of what is apparent [i.e., alleged] of speech?"<sup>642</sup> Rather, their [own] plan has been made attractive to those who disbelieve, and they have been averted from the way. And whomever Allāh sends astray – there will be for him no guide.

تُنَبِّئُونَهُ بِمَا لَا يَعْلَمُ فِي الْأَرْضِ أَمْ يَبْظِهَرُ مِنَ الْقَوْلِ ۚ بَلْ زَيْنَ لِلَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مَكْرَهُمْ وَصُدُّوا عَنِ السَّبِيلِ وَمَنْ يُضِلِلِ اللَّهُ فَمَا لَهُ مِنْ هَادٍ ﴿١٥﴾

34. For them will be punishment in the life of [this] world, and the punishment of the Hereafter is more severe. And they will not have from Allāh any protector.

هُمْ عَذَابٌ فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَلَعَذَابُ الْآخِرَةِ أَشَقُّ وَمَا لَهُمْ مِنَ اللَّهِ مِنْ وَاقٍ ﴿١٦﴾

35. The example [i.e., description] of Paradise, which the righteous have been promised, is [that] beneath it rivers flow. Its fruit is lasting, and its shade. That is the consequence for the righteous, and the consequence for the disbelievers is the Fire.

﴿مَثَلُ الْجَنَّةِ الَّتِي وُعدَ الْمُتَّقُونَ﴾ تَجْرَى مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ أَكْلُهَا دَائِمٌ وَظِلُّهَا تِلْكَ عُقْبَى الَّذِينَ اتَّقَوْا وَعُقْبَى الْكَافِرِينَ النَّارُ ﴿١٧﴾

36. And [the believers among] those to whom We have given the [previous] Scripture rejoice at what has been revealed to you, [O Muḥammad], but among the [opposing] factions are those who deny part of it [i.e., the Qur'ān]. Say, "I have only been commanded to worship Allāh and not associate [anything] with Him. To Him I invite, and to Him is my return."

وَالَّذِينَ ءَاتَيْنَهُمُ الْكِتَابَ يَفْرَحُونَ بِمَا أُنْزِلَ إِلَيْكَ ۚ وَمِنَ الْأَحْزَابِ مَنْ يُنْكِرُ بَعْضَهُ ۚ قُلْ إِنَّمَا أُمِرْتُ أَنْ أَعْبُدَ اللَّهَ وَلَا أُشْرِكَ بِهِ ۚ إِلَيْهِ أَدْعُوا وَإِلَيْهِ مَبَٰرِ ۚ ﴿١٨﴾

<sup>641</sup>i.e., other "deities."

<sup>642</sup>i.e., your attributing of divinity to other than Allāh.

37. And thus We have revealed it as an Arabic legislation.<sup>643</sup> And if you should follow their inclinations after what has come to you of knowledge, you would not have against Allāh any ally or any protector.

وَكَذَلِكَ أَنْزَلْنَاهُ حُكْمًا عَرَبِيًّا وَلَئِنْ  
اتَّبَعْتَ أَهْوَاءَهُمْ بَعْدَ مَا جَاءَكَ مِنَ الْعِلْمِ  
مَا لَكَ مِنَ اللَّهِ مِنْ وَلِيٍّ وَلَا وَاقٍ ﴿٦٤٣﴾

38. And We have already sent messengers before you and assigned to them wives and descendants. And it was not for a messenger to come with a sign except by permission of Allāh. For every term is a decree.

وَلَقَدْ أَرْسَلْنَا رُسُلًا مِنْ قَبْلِكَ وَجَعَلْنَا لَهُمْ  
أَزْوَاجًا وَذُرِّيَّةً وَمَا كَانَ لِرَسُولٍ أَنْ يَأْتِيَ  
بِآيَةٍ إِلَّا بِإِذْنِ اللَّهِ لِكُلِّ أَجَلٍ كِتَابٌ ﴿٦٤٤﴾

39. Allāh eliminates what He wills or confirms, and with Him is the Mother of the Book.<sup>644</sup>

يَمْحُوا اللَّهُ مَا يَشَاءُ وَيُثَبِّتُ ۖ وَعِنْدَهُ أُمُّ  
الْكِتَابِ ﴿٦٤٥﴾

40. And whether We show you part of what We promise them or take you in death, upon you is only the [duty of] notification, and upon Us is the account.

وَإِنْ مَا تُرِيدُكَ بَعْضَ الَّذِي نَعِدُهُمْ أَوْ  
نَتَوَفِّيَنَّكَ فَإِنَّمَا عَلَيْكَ الْبَلْغُ وَعَلَيْنَا  
الْحِسَابُ ﴿٦٤٦﴾

41. Have they not seen that We set upon the land, reducing it from its borders?<sup>645</sup> And Allāh decides; there is no adjuster of His decision. And He is swift in account.

أَوَلَمْ يَرَوْا أَنَّا نَأْتِي الْأَرْضَ نَنْقُصُهَا مِنْ  
أَطْرَافِهَا ۗ وَاللَّهُ يَحْكُمُ لَا مُعَقِّبَ لِحُكْمِهِ ۚ  
وَهُوَ سَرِيعُ الْحِسَابِ ﴿٦٤٧﴾

42. And those before them had plotted, but to Allāh belongs the plan entirely. He knows what every soul earns, and the disbelievers will know for whom is the final home.

وَقَدْ مَكَرَ الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ فَلِلَّهِ الْمَكْرُ  
جَمِيعًا ۖ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَكْسِبُ كُلُّ نَفْسٍ وَسَيَعْلَمُ  
الْكُفْرُ لِمَنْ عَقِيَ الدَّارِ ﴿٦٤٨﴾

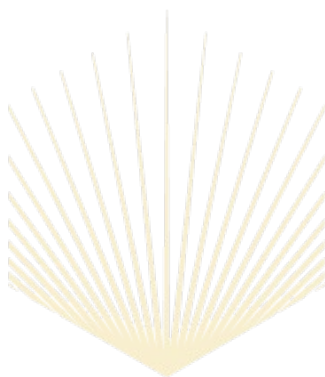
<sup>643</sup>i.e., revealed in the Arabic language.

<sup>644</sup>The Preserved Slate (*al-Lawh al-Mahfūth*), in which is inscribed the original of every scripture revealed by Allāh.

<sup>645</sup>Referring to the spread of Islām through Allāh's Prophet (ﷺ) and the diminishing of those areas controlled by the polytheists.

43. And those who have disbelieved say, "You are not a messenger." Say, [O Muḥammad], "Sufficient is Allāh as Witness between me and you, and [the witness of] whoever has knowledge of the Scripture."<sup>646</sup>

وَيَقُولُ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا لَسْتَ مُرْسَلًا قُلْ  
كَفَى بِاللَّهِ شَهِيدًا بَيْنِي وَبَيْنَكُمْ وَمَنْ  
عِنْدَهُ عِلْمُ الْكِتَابِ ﴿١٣﴾



<sup>646</sup>i.e., those who recognize the truth through their knowledge of previous scriptures.

Sūrah Ibrāheem<sup>647</sup>

Bismillāhir-Raḥmānir-Raḥeem

## سُورَةُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

1. Alif, Lām, Rā.<sup>648</sup> [This is] a Book which We have revealed to you, [O Muḥammad], that you might bring mankind out of darknesses into the light by permission of their Lord – to the path of the Exalted in Might, the Praiseworthy –

الرَّ كِتَابٌ أَنْزَلْنَاهُ إِلَيْكَ لِتُخْرِجَ النَّاسَ  
مِنَ الظُّلُمَاتِ إِلَى النُّورِ بِإِذْنِ رَبِّهِمْ إِلَى  
صِرَاطٍ الْعَزِيزِ الْحَمِيدِ ﴿١﴾

2. Allāh, to whom belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth. And woe [i.e., destruction] to the disbelievers from a severe punishment –

اللَّهُ الَّذِي لَهُ مَا فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَمَا فِي  
الْأَرْضِ ۖ وَوَيْلٌ لِلْكَافِرِينَ مِنْ عَذَابٍ  
شَدِيدٍ ﴿٢﴾

3. The ones who prefer the worldly life over the Hereafter and avert [people] from the way of Allāh, seeking to make it [seem] deviant. Those are in extreme error.

الَّذِينَ يَسْتَحِبُّونَ الْحَيَاةَ الدُّنْيَا عَلَى  
الْآخِرَةِ وَيَصُدُّونَ عَنْ سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ  
وَيَبْغُونَهَا عِوَجًا ۖ أُولَٰئِكَ فِي ضَلَالٍ بَعِيدٍ ﴿٣﴾

4. And We did not send any messenger except [speaking] in the language of his people to state clearly for them, and Allāh sends astray [thereby] whom He wills<sup>649</sup> and guides whom He wills. And He is the Exalted in Might, the Wise.

وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَا مِنْ رَّسُولٍ إِلَّا بِلِسَانٍ قَوْمِهِ  
لِيُبَيِّنَ لَهُمْ فَيُضِلُّ اللَّهُ مَن يَشَاءُ وَيَهْدِي  
مَن يَشَاءُ ۚ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ ﴿٤﴾

5. And We certainly sent Moses with Our signs, [saying], "Bring out your people from darknesses into the light and remind them of the days<sup>650</sup> of Allāh." Indeed in

وَلَقَدْ أَرْسَلْنَا مُوسَىٰ بِآيَاتِنَا أَنْ  
أَخْرِجْ قَوْمَكَ مِنَ الظُّلُمَاتِ إِلَى النُّورِ  
وَذَكِّرْهُمْ بِأَيَّامِ اللَّهِ ۚ إِنَّ فِي ذَٰلِكَ

<sup>647</sup>Ibrāheem: (The Prophet) Abraham.

<sup>648</sup>See footnote to 2:1.

<sup>649</sup>i.e., those who refuse His guidance.

<sup>650</sup>Days of blessings bestowed upon the Children of Israel. Also interpreted as days of punishment and destruction of the former nations.

that are signs for everyone patient and grateful.

لَا يَنْتِ لِكُلِّ صَبَّارٍ شَكُورٍ ﴿٦﴾

6. And [recall, O Children of Israel], when Moses said to his people, "Remember the favor of Allāh upon you when He saved you from the people of Pharaoh, who were afflicting you with the worst torment and were slaughtering your [newborn] sons and keeping your females alive. And in that was a great trial from your Lord.

وَإِذْ قَالَ مُوسَىٰ لِقَوْمِهِ اذْكُرُوا نِعْمَةَ اللَّهِ عَلَيْكُمْ إِذْ أَخْرَجَكُمْ مِنْ آلِ فِرْعَوْنَ يَسُومُونَكُمْ سُوءَ الْعَذَابِ وَيُذَبِّحُونَ أَبْنَاءَكُمْ وَيَسْتَحْيُونَ نِسَاءَكُمْ وَفِي ذَلِكَ لَكُمْ بَلَاءٌ مِّن رَّبِّكُمْ عَظِيمٌ ﴿٦﴾

7. And [remember] when your Lord proclaimed, 'If you are grateful, I will surely increase you [in favor]; but if you deny, indeed, My punishment is severe.'

وَإِذْ تَأَذَّنَ رَبُّكُمْ لَئِن شَكَرْتُمْ لَأَزِيدَنَّكُمْ ۖ وَلَئِن كَفَرْتُمْ إِنَّ عَذَابِي لَشَدِيدٌ ﴿٧﴾

8. And Moses said, "If you should disbelieve, you and whoever is on the earth entirely – indeed, Allāh is Free of need and Praiseworthy."

وَقَالَ مُوسَىٰ إِن تَكْفُرُوا أَنْتُمْ وَمَن فِي الْأَرْضِ جَمِيعًا فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ لَغَنِيٌّ حَمِيدٌ ﴿٨﴾

9. Has there not reached you the news of those before you – the people of Noah and 'Aad and Thamūd and those after them? No one knows them [i.e., their number] but Allāh. Their messengers brought them clear proofs, but they returned their hands to their mouths<sup>651</sup> and said, "Indeed, we disbelieve in that with which you have been sent, and indeed we are, about that to which you invite us, in disquieting doubt."

أَلَمْ يَأْتِكُمْ نَبَأُ الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِكُمْ قَوْمِ نُوحٍ وَعَادٍ وَثَمُودَ ۖ وَالَّذِينَ مِن بَعْدِهِمْ لَا يَعْلَمُهُمْ إِلَّا اللَّهُ ۖ جَاءَتْهُمْ رُسُلُهُم بِالْبَيِّنَاتِ فَرَدُّوا أَيْدِيَهُمْ فِي أَفْوَاهِهِمْ وَقَالُوا إِنَّا كَفَرْنَا بِمَا أُرْسِلْتُمْ بِهِ ۖ وَإِنَّا لَفِي شَكٍّ مِّمَّا تَدْعُونَنَا إِلَيْهِ مُرِيبٍ ﴿٩﴾

10. Their messengers said, "Can there be doubt about Allāh,

﴿١٠﴾ قَالَتْ رُسُلُهُمْ أَفِى اللَّهِ شَكٌّ فَاطِرِ

<sup>651</sup> Several explanations have been given as to the meaning. Based upon the conclusion of the verse, Ibn Katheer preferred that this was a gesture of denial and rejection.

Creator of the heavens and earth? He invites you that He may forgive you of your sins, and He delays you [i.e., your death] for a specified term." They said, "You are not but men like us who wish to avert us from what our fathers were worshipping. So bring us a clear authority [i.e., evidence]."

السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ يَدْعُوكُمْ لِيَغْفِرَ  
لَكُمْ مِنْ ذُنُوبِكُمْ وَيُؤَخِّرَكُمْ إِلَىٰ  
أَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى قَالُوا إِنْ أَنْتُمْ إِلَّا بَشَرٌ مِثْلُنَا  
تُرِيدُونَ أَنْ تَصُدُّونَا عَمَّا كَانَتْ  
ءَابَاؤُنَا فَاْتُونَا بِسُلْطَانٍ مُّبِينٍ ﴿١٠﴾

11. Their messengers said to them, "We are only men like you, but Allāh confers favor upon whom He wills of His servants. It has never been for us to bring you evidence except by permission of Allāh. And upon Allāh let the believers rely.

قَالَتْ لَهُمْ رُسُلُهُمْ إِنْ خُنُّوا إِلَّا بِشَرٍّ  
مِثْلِكُمْ وَلَكِنَّ اللَّهَ يَمُنُّ عَلَىٰ مَنْ يَشَاءُ  
مِنْ عِبَادِهِ وَمَا كَانَ لَنَا أَنْ نَأْتِيَكُمْ  
بِسُلْطَانٍ إِلَّا بِإِذْنِ اللَّهِ وَعَلَى اللَّهِ  
فَلْيَتَوَكَّلِ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿١١﴾

12. And why should we not rely upon Allāh while He has guided us to our [good] ways. And we will surely be patient against whatever harm you should cause us. And upon Allāh let those who would rely [indeed] rely."

وَمَا لَنَا أَلَّا نَتَوَكَّلَ عَلَى اللَّهِ وَقَدْ هَدَانَا  
سُبُلَنَا وَلَنَصْبِرَنَّ عَلَىٰ مَا ءَادَيْتُمُونَا  
وَعَلَى اللَّهِ فَلْيَتَوَكَّلِ الْمُتَوَكِّلُونَ ﴿١٢﴾

13. And those who disbelieved said to their messengers, "We will surely drive you out of our land, or you must return to our religion." So their Lord inspired to them, "We will surely destroy the wrongdoers.

وَقَالَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا لِرُسُلِهِمْ  
لَنُخْرِجَنَّكُمْ مِنْ أَرْضِنَا أَوْ لَتَعُولُنَّ فِي  
مِلَّتِنَا فَأَوْحَىٰ إِلَيْهِمْ رَبُّهُمْ لَنُهْلِكَنَّ  
الظَّالِمِينَ ﴿١٣﴾

14. And We will surely cause you to dwell in the land after them. That is for he who fears My position<sup>652</sup> and fears My threat."

وَلَنَسْكَنَنَّكُمْ الْأَرْضَ مِنْ بَعْدِهِمْ ذَٰلِكَ  
لِمَنْ خَافَ مَقَامِي وَخَافَ وَعِيدِ ﴿١٤﴾

<sup>652</sup>An alternative meaning is "the standing [for account] before Me."

15. And they requested decision [i.e., victory from Allāh], and disappointed, [therefore], was every obstinate tyrant.
16. Before him<sup>653</sup> is Hell, and he will be given a drink of purulent water.<sup>654</sup>
17. He will gulp it but will hardly [be able to] swallow it. And death will come to him from everywhere, but he is not to die. And before him is a massive punishment.
18. The example of those who disbelieve in their Lord is [that] their deeds are like ashes which the wind blows forcefully on a stormy day; they are unable [to keep] from what they earned a [single] thing. That is what is extreme error.
19. Have you not seen [i.e., considered] that Allāh created the heavens and the earth in truth? If He wills, He can do away with you and produce a new creation.
20. And that is not difficult for Allāh.
21. And they will come out [for judgement] before Allāh all together, and the weak will say to those who were arrogant, "Indeed, we were your followers, so can you avail us anything against the punishment of Allāh?" They will say, "If Allāh had guided us, we would have guided you. It is all
- وَأَسْتَفْتَحُوا وَخَابَ كُلُّ جَبَّارٍ عَنِيدٍ ﴿١٥﴾
- مِّنْ وَرَآيِهِ جَهَنَّمُ وَيُسْقَىٰ مِنْ مَّاءٍ صَدِيدٍ ﴿١٦﴾
- يَتَجَرَّعُهُ وَلَا يَكَادُ يُسِغُهُ ۖ وَيَأْتِيهِ الْمَوْتُ مِنْ كُلِّ مَكَانٍ وَمَا هُوَ بِمَيِّتٍ وَمِن وَرَآيِهِ عَذَابٌ غَلِيظٌ ﴿١٧﴾
- مَثَلُ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا بِرَبِّهِمْ أَعْمَلُهُمْ كَرَمَادٍ اشْتَدَّتْ بِهِ الرِّيحُ فِي يَوْمٍ عَاصِفٍ ۖ لَا يَقْدِرُونَ مِمَّا كَسَبُوا عَلَىٰ شَيْءٍ ۚ ذَٰلِكَ هُوَ الصَّلَٰلُ الْأَبْعَدُ ﴿١٨﴾
- أَلَمْ تَرَ أَنَّ اللَّهَ خَلَقَ السَّمٰوٰتِ وَالْأَرْضَ بِالْحَقِّ ۚ إِنَّ شَيْئًا يُذْهِبُكُمْ وَيَأْتِ بِخَلْقٍ جَدِيدٍ ﴿١٩﴾
- وَمَا ذَٰلِكَ عَلَى اللَّهِ بِعَزِيزٍ ﴿٢٠﴾
- وَبَرُّوْا لِلَّهِ جَمِيْعًا فَقَالَ الْضَّعَفَتُوْا لِلَّذِيْنَ اَسْتَكْبَرُوْا اِنَّا كُنَّا لَكُمْ تَبَعًا فَهَلْ اَنْتُمْ مُّغْنُوْنَ عَنَّا مِنْ عَذَابِ اللّٰهِ مِنْ شَيْءٍ ۚ قَالُوْا لَوْ هَدٰنَا اللّٰهُ هَدٰىنَاكُمْ سَوَآءٌ عَلَيْنَا اَجَزَعْنَا اَمْ صَبَرْنَا مَا لَنَا مِنْ مَّحِيصٍ ﴿٢١﴾

<sup>653</sup>Literally, "after him [in time]," meaning ahead of him.

<sup>654</sup>That which oozes from the skins of Hell's inhabitants.

the same for us whether we show intolerance or are patient: there is for us no place of escape."

22. And Satan will say when the matter has been concluded, "Indeed, Allāh had promised you the promise of truth. And I promised you, but I betrayed you. But I had no authority over you except that I invited you, and you responded to me. So do not blame me; but blame yourselves. I cannot be called to your aid, nor can you be called to my aid. Indeed, I deny your association of me [with Allāh] before.<sup>655</sup> Indeed, for the wrongdoers is a painful punishment."

23. And those who believed and did righteous deeds will be admitted to gardens beneath which rivers flow, abiding eternally therein by permission of their Lord; and their greeting therein will be, "Peace!"

24. Have you not considered how Allāh presents an example, [making] a good word like a good tree, whose root is firmly fixed and its branches [high] in the sky?

25. It produces its fruit all the time, by permission of its Lord. And Allāh presents examples for the people that perhaps they will be reminded.

26. And the example of a bad word is like a bad tree, uprooted from the surface of the earth, not having any stability.

وَقَالَ الشَّيْطَانُ لَمَّا قُضِيَ الْأَمْرُ إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَعَدَكُمْ وَعْدَ الْحَقِّ وَوَعَدْتُكُمْ فَأَخْلَفْتُكُمْ وَمَا كَانَ لِي عَلَيْكُمْ مِنْ سُلْطَانٍ إِلَّا أَنْ دَعَوْتُكُمْ فَاسْتَجَبْتُمْ لِي فَلَا تَلُمُونِي وَلُومُوا أَنْفُسَكُمْ مَا أَنَا بِمُصْرِخِكُمْ وَمَا أَنتُمْ بِمُصْرِخِي إِنْ كَفَرْتُ بِمَا أَشْرَكْتُمُونِ مِنْ قَبْلُ إِنَّ الظَّالِمِينَ لَهُمْ عَذَابٌ أَلِيمٌ ﴿٢٢﴾

وَأُدْخِلَ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرَى مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا بِإِذْنِ رَبِّهِمْ يُحَيَّيْهِمْ فِيهَا سَلَامٌ ﴿٢٣﴾

أَلَمْ تَرَ كَيْفَ صَرَبَ اللَّهُ مَثَلًا كَلِمَةً طَيِّبَةً كَشَجَرَةٍ طَيِّبَةٍ أَصْلُهَا ثَابِتٌ وَفَرْعُهَا فِي السَّمَاءِ ﴿٢٤﴾

تُؤْتِي أَكْلَهَا كُلَّ حِينٍ بِإِذْنِ رَبِّهَا ۖ وَيَضْرِبُ اللَّهُ الْأَمْثَالَ لِلنَّاسِ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَتَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿٢٥﴾

وَمَثَلُ كَلِمَةٍ خَبِيثَةٍ كَشَجَرَةٍ خَبِيثَةٍ اجْتُثَّتْ مِنْ فَوْقِ الْأَرْضِ مَا لَهَا مِنْ قَرَارٍ ﴿٢٦﴾

<sup>655</sup>By your obedience to me instead of Him during life on earth.

27. Allāh keeps firm those who believe, with the firm word,<sup>656</sup> in worldly life and in the Hereafter.<sup>657</sup> And Allāh sends astray the wrongdoers. And Allāh does what He wills.

يُثَبِّتُ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا بِالْقَوْلِ الثَّابِتِ  
فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ وَيُضِلُّ اللَّهُ  
الظَّالِمِينَ وَيَفْعَلُ اللَّهُ مَا يَشَاءُ ﴿٢٧﴾

28. Have you not considered those who exchanged the favor of Allāh for disbelief<sup>658</sup> and settled their people [in] the home of ruin?

أَلَمْ تَرَ إِلَى الَّذِينَ بَدَّلُوا نِعْمَتَ اللَّهِ كُفْرًا  
وَأَحْلَوْا قَوْمَهُمْ دَارَ الْبَوَارِ ﴿٢٨﴾

29. [It is] Hell, which they will [enter to] burn, and wretched is the settlement.

جَهَنَّمَ يَصْلَوْنَهَا وَبِئْسَ الْقَرَارُ ﴿٢٩﴾

30. And they have attributed to Allāh equals to mislead [people] from His way. Say, "Enjoy yourselves, for indeed, your destination is the Fire."

وَجَعَلُوا لِلَّهِ أَندَادًا لِيُضِلُّوا عَنْ سَبِيلِهِ قُلْ  
تَمَتَّعُوا فَإِنَّ مَصِيرَكُمْ إِلَى النَّارِ ﴿٣٠﴾

31. [O Muḥammad], tell My servants who have believed to establish prayer and spend from what We have provided them, secretly and publicly, before a Day comes in which there will be no exchange [i.e., ransom], nor any friendships.

قُلْ لِعِبَادِيَ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا يُقِيمُوا الصَّلَاةَ  
وَيُنْفِقُوا مِمَّا رَزَقْنَاهُمْ سِرًّا وَعَلَانِيَةً مِّن  
قَبْلِ أَن يَأْتِيَ يَوْمٌ لَا بَيْعَ فِيهِ وَلَا خِلَالٌ ﴿٣١﴾

32. It is Allāh who created the heavens and the earth and sent down rain from the sky and produced thereby some fruits as provision for you and subjected for you<sup>659</sup> the ships to sail through the sea by His command and subjected for you the rivers.

اللَّهُ الَّذِي خَلَقَ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ وَأَنْزَلَ  
مِنَ السَّمَاءِ مَاءً فَأَخْرَجَ بِهِ مِنَ  
الثَّمَرَاتِ رِزْقًا لَّكُمْ وَسَخَّرَ لَكُمُ الْفَلَكَ  
لِتَجْرِيَ فِي الْبَحْرِ بِأَمْرِهِ وَسَخَّرَ لَكُمُ  
الْأَنْهَارَ ﴿٣٢﴾

<sup>656</sup>The testimony that there is no deity except Allāh and that Muḥammad (ﷺ) is the messenger of Allāh.

<sup>657</sup>When questioned in their graves by the angels after death.

<sup>658</sup>They met Allāh's blessing with denial instead of gratitude.

<sup>659</sup>i.e., made serviceable to you.

33. And He subjected for you the sun and the moon, continuous [in orbit], and subjected for you the night and the day.

وَسَخَّرَ لَكُمُ الشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ دَائِبَيْنِ  
وَسَخَّرَ لَكُمُ اللَّيْلَ وَالنَّهَارَ ﴿٣٣﴾

34. And He gave you from all you asked of Him.<sup>660</sup> And if you should count the favor [i.e., blessings] of Allāh, you could not enumerate them. Indeed, mankind is [generally] most unjust and ungrateful.<sup>661</sup>

وَأَنزَلْنَاكُمْ مِنْ كُلِّ مَا سَأَلْتُمُوهُ وَإِنْ تَعُدُّوا نِعْمَتَ اللَّهِ لَا تَحْصُوهَا إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لَظَلُومٌ كَفَّارٌ ﴿٣٤﴾

35. And [mention, O Muḥammad], when Abraham said, "My Lord, make this city [i.e., Makkah] secure and keep me and my sons away from worshipping idols.

وَإِذْ قَالَ إِبْرَاهِيمُ رَبِّ اجْعَلْ هَذَا الْبَلَدَ آمِنًا وَاجْنُبْنِي وَبَنِيَّ أَنْ نَعْبُدَ الْأَصْنَامَ ﴿٣٥﴾

36. My Lord, indeed they have led astray many among the people. So whoever follows me – then he is of me;<sup>662</sup> and whoever disobeys me – indeed, You are [yet] Forgiving and Merciful.

رَبِّ إِنَّهُنَّ أَضَلَّلْنَ كَثِيرًا مِّنَ النَّاسِ فَمَنْ تَبِعَنِي فَإِنَّهُ مِنِّي وَمَنْ عَصَانِي فَإِنَّكَ غَفُورٌ رَّحِيمٌ ﴿٣٦﴾

37. Our Lord, I have settled some of my descendants in an uncultivated valley near Your sacred House, our Lord, that they may establish prayer. So make hearts among the people incline toward them and provide for them from the fruits that they might be grateful.

رَبَّنَا إِنِّي أَسْكَنْتُ مِنْ ذُرِّيَّتِي بِوَادٍ غَيْرِ ذِي زَرْعٍ عِنْدَ بَيْتِكَ الْأَمْحَرِمِ رَبَّنَا لِیُقِیْمُوا الصَّلَاةَ فَاجْعَلْ أَفْئِدَةً مِنَ النَّاسِ تَهْوِي إِلَيْهِمْ وَارْزُقْهُمْ مِنَ الثَّمَرَاتِ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَشْكُرُونَ ﴿٣٧﴾

38. Our Lord, indeed You know what we conceal and what we declare, and nothing is hidden from Allāh on the earth or in the heaven.

رَبَّنَا إِنَّكَ تَعْلَمُ مَا نُخْفِي وَمَا نُعْلِنُ وَمَا تَخْفَى عَلَى اللَّهِ مِنْ شَيْءٍ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَلَا فِي السَّمَاءِ ﴿٣٨﴾

<sup>660</sup>Something of what you asked and all of what you continually require, according to His wisdom.

<sup>661</sup>i.e., disbelieving and denying of Allāh's favor.

<sup>662</sup>i.e., of my religion.

39. Praise to Allāh, who has granted to me in old age Ishmael and Isaac. Indeed, my Lord is the Hearer of supplication.
40. My Lord, make me an establisher of prayer, and [many] from my descendants. Our Lord, and accept my supplication.
41. Our Lord, forgive me and my parents and the believers the Day the account is established."
42. And never think that Allāh is unaware of what the wrongdoers do. He only delays them [i.e., their account] for a Day when eyes will stare [in horror].
43. Racing ahead, their heads raised up, their glance does not come back to them,<sup>663</sup> and their hearts are void.
44. And, [O Muḥammad], warn the people of a Day when the punishment will come to them and those who did wrong will say, "Our Lord, delay us for a short term; we will answer Your call and follow the messengers." [But it will be said], "Had you not sworn, before, that for you there would be no cessation?"<sup>664</sup>
45. And you lived among the dwellings of those who wronged themselves, and it had become clear to you how We dealt with
- الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي وَهَبَ لِي عَلَى الْكِبَرِ إِسْمَاعِيلَ وَإِسْحَاقَ إِنَّ رَبِّي لَسَمِيعُ الدُّعَاءِ ﴿٣٩﴾
- رَبِّ اجْعَلْنِي مُقِيمَ الصَّلَاةِ وَمِنْ ذُرِّيَّتِي رَبَّنَا وَتَقَبَّلْ دُعَاءِ ﴿٤٠﴾
- رَبَّنَا اغْفِرْ لِي وَلِوَالِدَيَّ وَلِلْمُؤْمِنِينَ يَوْمَ يَقُومُ الْحِسَابُ ﴿٤١﴾
- وَلَا تَحْسَبَنَّ اللَّهَ غَفْلًا عَمَّا يَعْمَلُ الظَّالِمُونَ إِنَّمَا يُؤَخِّرُهُمْ لِيَوْمٍ تَشْخَصُ فِيهِ الْأَبْصَارُ ﴿٤٢﴾
- مُطَّعِنِينَ مُقْبِعِي رُءُوسِهِمْ لَا يَرْتَدُّ إِلَيْهِمْ طَرْفُهُمْ وَأَفْنِدُكُمْ هَؤُلَاءِ ﴿٤٣﴾
- وَأَنْذِرِ النَّاسَ يَوْمَ يَأْتِيهِمُ الْعَذَابُ فَيَقُولُ الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا رَبَّنَا أَخْرِزْنَا إِلَى أَجَلٍ قَرِيبٍ جُحِبْ دَعْوَتَكَ وَتَتَّبِعِ الرُّسُلَ أُولَٰئِكَ نَكُودُونَ أَفْصَمُ مِمَّن قَبُلَ مَا لَكُم مِّن زَوَالٍ ﴿٤٤﴾
- وَسَكَنْتُمْ فِي مَسْكَانٍ الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا أَنْفُسَهُمْ وَتَبَيَّنَ لَكُم كَيْفَ فَعَلْنَا بِهِمْ

<sup>663</sup>This is their state at the time of resurrection from the graves. Their heads are upraised in fixed stares of terror, unable even to glance back.

<sup>664</sup>Of the blessings which Allāh had bestowed upon you during life on earth.

them. And We presented for you [many] examples."

وَضَرَبْنَا لَكُمْ الْأَمْثَالَ ﴿٤٥﴾

46. And they had planned their plan, but with Allāh is [recorded] their plan, even if their plan had been [sufficient] to do away with the mountains.<sup>665</sup>

وَقَدْ مَكَرُوا مَكْرَهُمْ وَعِنْدَ اللَّهِ مَكْرُهُمْ  
وَإِنْ كَانَتْ مَكْرُهُمْ لِيَتَرَوْا مِنَ الْجِبَالِ  
﴿٤٦﴾

47. So never think that Allāh will fail in His promise to His messengers. Indeed, Allāh is Exalted in Might and Owner of Retribution.<sup>666</sup>

فَلَا تَحْسَبَنَّ اللَّهَ خَافِلَ وَعْدِهِ رُسُلَهُ إِنَّ  
اللَّهَ عَزِيزٌ ذُو انتِقَامٍ ﴿٤٧﴾

48. [It will be] on the Day the earth will be replaced by another earth, and the heavens [as well], and they [i.e., all creatures] will come out before Allāh, the One, the Prevailing,

يَوْمَ تُبَدَّلُ الْأَرْضُ غَيْرَ الْأَرْضِ  
وَالسَّمَوَاتُ ۖ وَبَرَزُوا لِلَّهِ الْوَاحِدِ الْقَهَّارِ  
﴿٤٨﴾

49. And you will see the criminals that Day bound together in irons,

وَتَرَى الْمُجْرِمِينَ يَوْمَئِذٍ مُّقْرَّنِينَ فِي  
الْأَصْفَادِ ﴿٤٩﴾

50. Their garments of liquid pitch and their faces covered by the Fire

سَرَابِلُهُمْ مِّنْ قَطِرَانٍ وَتَغْشَىٰ وُجُوهَهُمْ  
النَّارُ ﴿٥٠﴾

51. So that Allāh will recompense every soul for what it earned. Indeed, Allāh is swift in account.

لِيَجْزِيَ اللَّهُ كُلَّ نَفْسٍ مَّا كَسَبَتْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ  
سَرِيعُ الْحِسَابِ ﴿٥١﴾

52. This [Qur'ān] is notification for the people that they may be warned thereby and that they may know that He is but one God and that those of understanding will be reminded.

هَذَا بَلَّغٌ لِلنَّاسِ وَلِيُنذَرُوا بِهِمْ وَلِيَعْلَمُوا  
أَنَّمَا هُوَ إِلَهٌُ وَاحِدٌ وَلِيَذَّكَّرَ أُولُو الْأَلْبَابِ  
﴿٥٢﴾

<sup>665</sup>An alternative meaning is "...and their plan was not [sufficient] to do away with the mountains," i.e., it had no effect against Allāh's will.

<sup>666</sup>Refer to footnote for 3:5.