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MOST MERCIFULQuran 44 :1- 8 The Smoke
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surah with two letters of the Arabic alphabet, namely haa' and
meem, which prove the miraculous nature of the Qur'an. A brief
discussion of these disconnected letters is to be found at the
beginning of Surat Al-Baqarah. The Almighty then swears by the

Clear Book—the Qur'an—which clarifies everything, to assert the purpose of revealing it on a blessed night: We have revealed the Noble Qur'an on a blessed night—Laylat al-Qadr (the Night of Decree or Power) in the month of Ramadan—to warn people with it against punishment if they do not desist from their unbelief and wicked acts. On this night, the wise decree of every determined matter (such as one's lifespan and sustenance) is made distinct and recorded, all by Our command. We have always sent messengers with revelations as a mercy from your Lord, Muhammad, towards those to whom they are sent. Indeed, He is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing: He hears and knows everything about all His creation and nothing at all is hidden from Him. He is the Lord and Creator of the heavens and the earth and all that is between them. If you, people, are certain of this, know then that the Lord of all creatures is indeed their true God. There is no true deity worthy of worship but Him. He alone gives life and He alone takes it away. He is your Lord and Creator and the Lord and Creator of all your earliest ancestors.

Ouran 44:9-24 The Smoke Tafseer:General explanation: The unbelievers are not at all certain about the truth of what We have informed them. Rather, they are in doubt about it, amusing themselves and preoccupied with idle pursuits. Wait, then, Muhammad, for the day when the sky brings forth smoke for all to see. As it envelops people, they will cry out, 'This is a painful torment. Lord, relieve us from this torment; we will be true believers if You do.' But how can an admonition be of any benefit to these unbelievers after the punishment descends upon them, and when the messenger making the truth clear to them has already come to them, yet they disdainfully turn away from him, saying, 'He is a taught the Our'an by others; he is a madman'?! We will remove that torment for a short while, but you are bound to return to your misguided ways. On the day We seize them violently and mightily, We will surely exact retribution from them. Before the unbelievers of your people, Muhammad, We did test Pharaoh and his people. Moses, an honorable messenger, came to them, saying,

'Free Allah's servants, the Israelites, from the humiliating torment and let them go with me. I am indeed a trustworthy messenger to you from Allah to deliver to you His message with which He has entrusted me. Do not exalt yourselves in proud defiance against Allah by disbelieving in Him and disobeying His commands. I have come to you with clear authority and a compelling proof testifying to my truthfulness. I have indeed sought refuge with my Lord and your Lord against your stoning me to death. If you do not believe me, then leave me alone.' But then, when they stubbornly refused to respond to his call and persisted in doing him harm, not even leaving him alone, he eventually called out to his Lord, saying, 'These are wicked people.' Allah answered his prayer, saying, 'Set forth with My servants—the Israelites—by night. Pharaoh and his soldiers will certainly follow you. When you reach the sea and you go through upon dry land after striking it with your rod, leave the sea waters undivided so that they may enter it. Pharaoh and his army are doomed to be drowned in it! Quran 44:25-50 The Smoke Tafseer:General explanation: How many gardens and springs Pharaoh and his people left behind after drowning! Many also were the splendid residences and luxuries they enjoyed which they all left behind! Thus did We dispossess them of these blessings and We gave them for an inheritance to the Children of Israel. Neither the heavens nor the earth wept for Pharaoh and his people after their destruction, nor was their punishment delayed once it descended upon them! We did indeed deliver the Children of Israel from the humiliating torment which Pharaoh inflicted on them. He was truly an arrogant tyrant who transgressed all bounds. We chose them—knowing they were worthy of Our choice and for a purpose known to Us—in preference to all other peoples in their own time, and We showed them miraculous signs which were a clear test for them. Now these Quraysh idolaters who deny the resurrection are saying, 'We will die but one death, nor will we ever be raised to life again. Bring, then, our forefathers back to life if your claim that there is life after death is true!' Are they better or the people of Tubba', the King of

Yemen, and those unbelievers who thrived before them and were far mightier? We destroyed them all, for they were wicked evildoers! It was not in mere idle play that We created the heavens and the earth and all that is between them. We created them only for a true purpose, but most of them do not know. The Day of Resurrection is the appointed time for the judgment between all creatures. On that day no friends or relatives will be of the least avail to one another, nor will they be saved from Allah's torment, except those believers upon whom Allah will have bestowed his grace and mercy. He is the All-Mighty, the All-Merciful. The Tree of Az-Zaggum in Hell will provide the wicked unbeliever's food. Like stinking, thick black extremely hot liquid, it will seethe in the bellies of those eating it, as boiling water babbles and seethes. The Angels of Punishment (the Guards of Hell) will be told, 'Size this unbeliever violently and drag him roughly into the midst of the Blazing Fire; then pour out scalding water over his head.' He will be mockingly told, 'Taste this punishment. You used to claim to be the mighty and the honourable in the life of the world, but today you are utterly humiliated and disgraced! This is the very torment that you, unbelievers, used to doubt and argue about in the life of the world!

Quran 44:51-59 The Smoke Tafseer:General explanation: The God-fearing who do what Allah commands and avoid what He forbids will be in a secure place—totally safe from every kind of harm and evil. They will be amid gardens and running springs, dressed in fine silk and rich brocade, and they will be seated facing one another. Thus will it be. And We will marry them to fair maidens with beautiful wide black eyes. They will call there for all kinds of fruits, remaining secure in their knowledge that they will never come to an end or cause them any harm. They will never taste death in Paradise after their first death, and their Lord will protect them, by His grace and benevolence, from the torment of the Fire. That will be the ultimate triumph indeed! We have made this Qur'an easy for people, Muhammad, by revealing it in your Arabic tongue, which is the most eloquent of all languages, so that

they understand it, be admonished by it and thus observe its teachings. Wait, then, Muhammad, for the torment that will befall them; they, too, are waiting.

Ouran 45:1-11 Al-Jathiyah Tafseer:General explanation: Allah Almighty opens this noble surah with two letters of the Arabic alphabet, namely haa' and meem, which prove the miraculous nature of the Our'an. A brief discussion of these disconnected letters is to be found at the beginning of Surat Al-Baqarah. The revelation of this great book—the Qur'an—is from Allah, the All-Mighty, the All-Wise. Surely in the creation of the heavens and the earth there are signs of Allah's perfect supremacy and wonderful creative power for the believers; and in your own creation, and in the creatures He has spread about over the face of the earth there are signs of Allah's oneness for people who are firmly convinced of the truth and sincerely believe it. And also in the constant alternation of night and day, in the rain which Allah sends down from the sky with which He brings the earth back to life after it has been lifeless, and in the shifting of the winds in terms of direction (such as southerly and northerly) and type (such as hot and cold) there are indeed signs of Allah's oneness and immense power for people who use their reason. Such are Allah's revelations, which We recite to you, Muhammad, through Gabriel (Jibreel), containing nothing but the truth. If the idolaters do not believe in this Qur'an, in what other message, after Allah's Book and His signs and revelations, will they, then, believe? Woe betide every untruthful, sinful unbeliever who hears Allah's revelations being recited to him, and yet arrogantly persists in his unbelief, as though he did not hear them! Hence, give him the good news of a painful punishment. And when he learns something of Our revelations, he makes a mockery of them! Those who do so will suffer a humiliating punishment. Before them lies Hell. Neither what they have gained in this worldly life, nor the alleged gods they worship besides Allah will protect them from Allah's punishment, and they will suffer a terrible torment. This Qur'an is true guidance for mankind, and those who disbelieve the Qur'an's verses revealed by their Lord will suffer the worst form of agonizing punishment. Quran 45:12-20 Al-Jathiyah Tafseer:General explanation: It is Allah who has subjected the sea to you, people, so that ships may sail upon it by His command, that you may seek His bounty and earn your livelihoods, and that you may give thanks to Him for His favors. He has also subjected to you all that is in the heavens and the earth for your own benefit. All this is from Him and by His grace. Surely in this there are signs of Allah's power and oneness for people who reflect. Tell the believers, Muhammad, to forgive the unbelievers who deny a severe punishment awaiting them for the harm they cause them and to bear with them, so that He may punish their enemies for the sins they have committed. Whoever does good in this world—showing obedience to Allah—does so for his own good; and whoever does evil—through unbelief and sins—does so to his own detriment. Then to your Lord will you all be returned to repay you for your good and evil deeds. We gave the Children of Israel the Book, bestowed on them judgment and appointed many prophets among them. We provided them with good, lawful provisions and favored them above all other nations of their time—granting them favors such as We had not granted anyone else in the then world. We also gave them plain commandments regarding their faith, but it was only after knowledge from Allah had come to them that they began to differ, all out of envy among themselves! Your Lord, Muhammad, will decide justly between them on the Day of Resurrection regarding the matters about which they have differed. And now We have set you, Muhammad, on a clear and straight path of religion; so follow it, and do not follow the desires of those who do not know the truth. They will be of no avail to you, nor will they save you from Allah's punishment if you follow their whims and desires. The wrongdoers are protectors of one another, but Allah is the Protector and Supporter of the God-fearing who obey His commands. This Qur'an is a means of insight for mankind providing clear proofs for them by which they distinguish truth from falsehood—as well as guidance and mercy for people

endowed with sure faith.

Quran 45:21-26 Al-Jathiyah Tafseer: General explanation: Do those who perpetrate evil deeds suppose that We will make their life and death the same as that of those who believe and do good deeds?! Surely they are by no means equal. Wrong indeed is their judgment! Allah has created the heavens and the earth with justice and wisdom and for a true purpose, and so that every person will be repaid according to his deeds. None will be wronged at all. Have you, Muhammad, considered him who takes his own whims and desires as his god, and whom Allah, knowing him as such, has therefore let go astray, setting a seal upon his ears and his heart and placing a veil over his eyes that prevents him from perceiving the truth? Who, then, can guide him to the truth after Allah has left him to stray? Will you not, then, people, reflect and pay heed?! The unbelievers deny the resurrection, saying, 'There is no life beyond our present worldly life. Some are born, while others die; and nothing but the passage of time destroys us.' Surely they have no real knowledge whatsoever regarding resurrection. They are merely making baseless conjectures! And when the clear verses of the Qur'an regarding the inevitability of the resurrection are recited to them, their only argument is to say, 'Bring back our forefathers, if what you claim is true.' Say to them, Muhammad, 'It is Allah who gives you life, then causes you to die; and then He will gather you all together on Resurrection Day about which there is no doubt; yet most people do not know!

Quran 45:27-37 Al-Jathiyah Tafseer:General explanation: To Allah alone belongs the sovereignty of the heavens and the earth. When the Day of Resurrection comes, the unbelievers, who are bent on following falsehood, will lose and be consigned to Hell! On that day, you will see, Muhammad, people of every faith community kneeling down, anxiously awaiting Allah's judgement. Every faith community will be summoned to its record of deeds. 'Today,' they will be told, 'you will be repaid according to your deeds. This Record of Ours faithfully bears witness to what you have done. We used to command the angels to record all your

deeds.' Those who believe and do good deeds will be admitted by their Lord into His Garden. That will indeed be the manifest triumph. As for the unbelievers they will be reproachfully told on Resurrection Day, 'Were the verses of the Our'an not recited to you in the worldly life, and yet you disdained to believe them and you were a wicked people?! When you were told, "Allah's promise is true and the Day of Resurrection, about which there is no doubt, will inevitably take place," you mockingly said, out of sheer unbelief, "We do not know what the Day of Resurrection is. It is but a vain conjecture, nor are we convinced it will ever take place." The evil deeds they have committed in this life will, on that day, become obvious to them, and Allah's punishment which they used to ridicule will descend upon them! They will be told, 'Today We will abandon you in Hell as you abandoned faith and righteous deeds in the life of the world, willfully forgetting about this day. Your abode is the Fire, and you have no helpers whatsoever to protect you against Allah's punishment! That is because you made a mockery of Allah's revelations and allowed the life of this world to beguile you.' Therefore, from that day on, these wicked unbelievers will not be brought out of the Fire, nor will they be given a chance to please their Lord and make amends. All praise, then, be to Allah, Lord and Creator of the heavens and Lord and Creator of the earth—the Lord of all the worlds. His alone is majestic greatness and absolute authority in the heavens and the earth, and He is the All-Mighty who holds absolute sway over all that exists, the All-Wise who places everything in its perfect place. Quran 46:1-6 Al-Ahqaf Tafseer:General explanation: Allah Almighty opens this noble surah with two letters of the Arabic alphabet, namely haa' and meem, which prove the miraculous nature of the Our'an. A brief discussion of these disconnected letters is to be found at the beginning of Surat Al-Baqarah. The revelation of this book—the Qur'an—is from Allah, the All-Mighty who holds sway over all things, the All-Wise who puts everything in its perfect place. We have not created the heavens and the earth and all that lies between them except for a true

purpose and to last for an appointed term. Yet despite all the signs testifying to Our oneness and power, the unbelievers totally ignore the warnings they have been given in the Qur'an and pay no heed whatsoever to them. Say, Muhammad, to those idolaters among your people, 'Have you considered those that you invoke besides Allah? Show me what part of the earth they have created so you have reason enough to worship them besides Allah?! Or do they have any share along with Allah in the creation, ownership and management of the heavens?! Bring me a book that was revealed before this Qur'an or some evidence or other vestige of knowledge in support of your claim, if what you say is true! Who could be further astray and more ignorant than those who call on false gods besides Allah that do not answer their prayers even until the Day of resurrection, and which are even unaware of their prayers? When Allah gathers people together on the Day of Resurrection for judgment, these gods, which the idolaters now invoke besides Him, will declare themselves their enemies and will disown their worship in this world!

Quran 46:7-10 Al-Ahqaf Tafseer:General explanation: When the verses of the Qur'an are recited to these idolaters, clear as they are, they say of the truth when it comes to them from their Lord, 'This is plain magic!' What! They dare say 'Muhammad has fabricated the Qur'an himself'?! Say to them, Muhammad, 'If I have indeed fabricated it, as you claim, then you cannot be of the least help to me against Allah's punishment! He is fully aware of whatever lies you utter amongst yourselves about it. He is sufficient as a witness between me and you; and He is the All-Forgiving, the All-Merciful. Say to the idolaters among your people, Muhammad, 'I am not the first of Allah's messengers: Many messengers did come before me. Being human, I do not know—unless Allah informs me—what will happen in the future in this world and therefore what will be done with me or you! I follow only what Allah has revealed to me, and my only duty is to warn you against Allah's punishment.' Say to them, 'Tell me, if this Qur'an is truly sent down to me from Allah and yet you reject it, when a witness from among the Children of

Israel has already testified to its being truly from Allah as it conforms with the earlier scriptures (in such matters as Allah's oneness, resurrection and final judgement) and then he believes it while you arrogantly reject it, who could be, then, further astray from the truth than you? Allah certainly does not guide the wrongdoers.

Quran 46: 11-16 Al-Ahqaf Tafseer: General explanation: The Quraysh unbelievers scornfully say of the faithful, 'Had this Qur'an been any good, these poor and lowly people would certainly not have believed and followed it before us, given our honorable status!' Now since they stubbornly refuse to be guided by it, they are bound to say, 'This Qur'an is one of the ancients' fabrications!' They say so despite the fact that before this Qur'an, the Torah—which they know very well—was revealed to Moses as a guide and mercy for the Children of Israel; and this Qur'an is a book confirming the truth of the Torah clearly in the Arabic tongue, to warn those who wrong themselves by reason of their unbelief and sin and to give good news of all good in this world and the hereafter to those who do good. Those who say, 'Our Lord is Allah,' and then steadfastly adhere to the right path by doing what Allah commands and avoid what He forbids will have nothing to fear in the hereafter, nor will they grieve for whatever they have missed in this world. These will be the dwellers of Paradise, in which they will abide for ever—as a reward from Allah for the good deeds they have done in the life of the world. We have enjoined man to show kindness to his parents. His mother bears him with reluctance and gives him birth with reluctance due to the hardships, pains and troubles she suffers during her pregnancy and delivery. The carrying of the child to his weaning is a period of thirty months. At length, when he reaches his full physical and mental maturity and attains the age of forty, he prays, 'Inspire me, Lord, to give thanks for the favors You have bestowed on me and on my parents, and to do good deeds that You will accept from me. Make my offspring righteous and guide them to true faith and good deeds. I have turned to You, and I have totally submitted to Your

will.' It is from such people that Allah will accept the good deeds that they have done, and whose evil deeds He will overlook. They will be among the dwellers of Paradise, in fulfilment of the true promise that He has given them: He never breaks His promise. Quran 46: 17-20 Al-Ahqaf Tafseer: General explanation: As for him who says to his parents when they call him to believe in Allah and the Last Day, 'Fie on you both! Do you threaten me that I will be brought back to life when many generations have passed away before me, and none of them has returned?!' His parents implore Allah's assistance to help guide him to the truth, and say to their son, 'Woe betide you! Believe in resurrection after death. Allah's promise to raise the dead is true beyond a shadow of doubt.' But he replies, 'All this is nothing but fables of the ancients!' It is such people—who deny the resurrection and are undutiful to their parents—on whom Allah's sentence of punishment has justly been passed, among the bygone unbelieving nations of the jinn and humans. They will truly be losers for their choosing unbelief in preference to faith. Each of these two groups—the believers who honor their parents and the unbelievers who disobey theirs—will be assigned grades by Allah on the Day of Resurrection, according to the good or evil deeds they have done in this world. He will repay them in full for their actions, and they will not be wronged in the least. Mention to the people, Muhammad, the day when the unbelievers will be brought before the Fire. They will be reprovingly told, 'You exhausted your share of the good things Allah bestowed upon you in your worldly life and fully enjoyed them without any thought of sparing anything of them for the hereafter. Therefore, today you will suffer a humiliating punishment because you acted with arrogance and injustice in the land and disobeyed Allah!

Quran 46: 21-25 Al-Ahqaf Tafseer:General explanation: Mention to the people, Muhammad, Prophet Hud—the brother of the tribe of 'Aad—whose dwellings were in the area of Al-Ahqaf (Sand Dunes), when he warned them of Allah's punishment for their unbelief. Messengers were sent before and after him to warn their

people. He warned them, saying, 'Worship none but Allah, for I fear for you the torment of a terrible day.' They contemptuously said, 'Have you come to turn us aside from the worship of our gods?! Bring down the punishment with which you threaten us, if what you say is true!' He said, 'Allah alone has knowledge of its time. I am only a messenger from Allah to you. My duty is to deliver to you the message I have been sent with, but I can see that you are a people who are ignorant of the truth and who persist in falsehood.' The punishment which they had so derisively demanded to be hastened, eventually descended upon them. Seeing its beginning in the form of passing clouds that were heading for their valleys and dwellings, they joyfully said, 'These passing clouds will bring us rain!' 'No, indeed!' he rejoined. 'It is what you have sought to hasten: a windstorm bearing a painful punishment which will destroy everything by the command of its Lord.' They were then so utterly wiped out that nothing was left to be seen except their empty dwellings, to serve as a lesson for others. Thus do We requite the wrongdoers who are given to wickedness!

Quran 46: 26-28 Al-Ahqaf Tafseer: General explanation: We had securely established 'Aad, Hud's people, in a manner in which We have never established you, Quraysh idolaters, endowing them with greater wealth and might; and We had, out of Our grace, given them ears, eyes and hearts. Nevertheless, as they stubbornly refused to give thanks to Us by failing to use such blessings in ways pleasing to Us, We punished them severely, without their ears, eyes or hearts being of any avail to them at all when Our retribution descended upon them, for they persisted in denying Our signs bearing witness to Our oneness and perfect power; and so they were overwhelmed by the very punishment which they used to ridicule. Beware, then, unbelievers, of suffering the same terrible fate! We also destroyed the unbelieving dwellers of the cities around you, Quraysh unbelievers, such as 'Aad, Sheba, Thamud and Midian, and repeatedly showed them Our signs and proofs in various ways and forms so that they might desist from

their unbelief and rejection of the truth, but they obstinately refused to do so, and thus We destroyed them! Why did their gods, which they had set up besides Allah to bring them nearer to Him, did not, then, help them or protect them from Allah's punishment?! Rather, they utterly forsook them. Indeed, the very gods they worshipped besides Allah failed them, as they were all lies and false inventions!

Quran 46: 29-35 Al-Ahqaf Tafseer: General explanation: Mention to the people, Muhammad, the time when We sent a group of the jinn to listen to you reciting the Qur'an. When they reached the place where you were reciting it, they advised one another, saying, 'Listen in silence.' When the recitation was over, they returned to their people to warn them of Allah's punishment if they refuse to believe in Him. 'Our people,' they said, 'we listened to the recitation of a Book revealed after the Torah that was sent down to Moses, confirming the truth in the previously revealed divine scriptures. It certainly guides to the truth and to a straight path.' 'Our people,' they went on, 'respond to Muhammad, Allah's Caller, and believe in Allah, so that He may forgive you your sins and deliver you from a painful punishment. Those who do no favorably respond to Allah's Caller—Muhammad—will not frustrate Allah by trying to escape His retribution if He wills to inflict it on them, nor will they have anyone to protect them from Allah's punishment. These have clearly strayed from the truth. Do those who deny the resurrection on Judgment Day not see that Allah, who created the heavens and the earth and was not in the least wearied by their creation, is able to raise the dead to life?! Yes, indeed! He has power over all things. Mention to the people, Muhammad, the day when those who deny Him will be brought before the Fire. They will be reproachfully asked, 'Is this torment not real?' They will reply, 'Yes it is, by Our Lord.' 'Then taste the punishment,' Allah will say, 'for your denying the truth in the life of the world.' Bear, then, Muhammad, the insults of the unbelievers with patience, just as all the messengers endowed with firm resolve did before you, and do not seek to hasten their punishment, for their retribution

will be inevitable! On the Day when they see the punishment with which they have been threatened, it will seem to them as though they had stayed in the world but an hour of a day! This Qur'an is a proclamation from Allah, giving sufficient admonition to those who reflect on it, and none will be destroyed but the rebellious evildoers who turn away from it.

Quran 47: 1-6 Muhammad Tafseer:General explanation: Allah will render vain the good deeds of those who reject the truth and turn people away from His religion. As for those who believe in the truth, do righteous deeds purely for Allah's sake and in accordance with His laws, and believe the Qur'an that He has revealed to His Prophet Muhammad—which is the Truth from their Lord—He will forgive their sins and set their affairs aright. This will He do because the unbelievers follow falsehood, while the faithful follow the truth from their Lord. With such clarification of the ultimate outcome of both the believers and the unbelievers does Allah show people their own types and conditions. Therefore, when you, believers, engage in battle with the unbelievers, strike off their heads and, when you have completely subdued them, firmly bind those of them you have taken captive. You may then set them free either by an act of grace or against ransom. Do as you are commanded, and continue to so until the war between you and your enemies comes to an end. Thus has Allah commanded you. Know that had Allah willed, He could have exacted retribution from them and defeated them Himself even without a fight; however, he has enjoined you to fight them so that He may test you by means of one another, thus distinguishing those with strong faith from those with weak faith. As for those who are martyred fighting for His cause to make His religion reign supreme, never will He let their good deeds be in vain. He will guide them and set their affairs aright, and He will admit them into Paradise which He has made known to them: They will be guided to their dwellings in it even without asking to be shown the way. Quran 47: 7-15 Muhammad Tafseer: General explanation: Believers, if you aid the cause of Allah by fighting against His

enemies, He will aid you against them and make you stand firm when engaging in battle with them. As for those who reject the truth, they will be utterly disgraced and destroyed, and He will render their deeds vain. They will incur such misery because they have rejected with abhorrence the Qur'an that Allah has revealed, and so He has made their deeds fruitless. Have the Quraysh idolaters never journeyed through the land and seen the terrible fate of the unbelievers before them? Allah completely destroyed them, and the same dreadful end awaits the unbelievers if they do not believe. Such support for the believers and destruction for the unbelievers will come to pass because Allah is the protector of the faithful, while the unbelievers have no protector to take care of them and help them. Allah will admit those who believe and do good deeds into gardens under whose trees rivers flow. The unbelievers indulge themselves in the pleasures of the worldly life and eat as the beasts eat, but the Fire will be their final abode. Many a city, whose people were mightier than the people of Makkah who have driven you, Muhammad, out of it, have We utterly destroyed, and they had no helper to protect them against Our punishment! Are those who have sure knowledge and clear proof of the truth—following the plain guidance of their Lord like those whose evil deeds Satan has made seem fair to them, and thus follow their whims and desires without any proof at all?! Such is the description of Paradise Allah has promised the righteous who do what He commands and avoid what He forbids: In it there are rivers of incorruptible water whose smell, taste and colour are for ever pure; rivers of milk whose taste will never change; rivers of wine, delightful to those who drink it; and rivers of pure and clear honey. In it they have fruit of every kind and forgiveness from their Lord. Can those in such bliss in Paradise be compared to those who will abide in Hell for ever, and be made to drink scalding water that will tear their bowels apart?! Quran 47: 16-24 Muhammad Tafseer: General explanation: Some of these—who take their fill of pleasure in this world and eat as the beasts eat and to whom their evil deeds are decked out fair—

indeed listen to you (that is, the hypocrites), but as soon as they leave your presence, they mockingly ask those endowed with knowledge among your companions who have attended your gathering, 'What did he say just now?' These are they whose hearts Allah has sealed up and thus do not believe, and who follow their own desires by embracing unbelief and rejecting of the truth. As for those who believe the truth and follow it, the Qur'an and the Prophet's words to which they listen only increase and strengthen their faith, and Allah will inspire them to obey His commands and avoid what He forbids. What are these hypocrites awaiting other the Day of Judgment to take them unawares? Now indeed its portents have already come. But how can admonition benefit them if Judgment Day overtakes them suddenly?!Know, therefore, Muhammad, that there is no god worthy of worship but Allah. Ask Him to forgive your sins and to forgive the sins of all believing men and women. Allah is fully aware of all your movements, people, and your place of rest. The believers, expressing their longing for divine revelation to come down, say, 'If only a surah were revealed!' But when an unambiguous surah in which Allah commands fighting the unbelievers is revealed, you, Muhammad, see the hypocrites in whose hearts is a disease of doubt staring at you like someone who has gone into his death throes, due to their cowardice and hate of fighting for Allah's cause. Far better for them, however, would be their obedience to Us and their speaking good words. Then when fighting for Allah's cause (jihad) is ordained, it would be better for them to be true to Allah. If you, hypocrites, turn away now from the truth and abandon jihad, what is to be expected of you but relapsing into your old ways before the advent of Islam by spreading corruption and severing your ties of kinship? These are they whom Allah has expelled from His grace, leaving them deaf—unable to benefit in such a way as to benefit from what they hear—and blind to the truth. Will they not, then, seek to understand the Qur'an? Rather, Allah has set locks upon them!

Quran 47: 25-31 Muhammad Tafseer: General explanation: The

hypocrites who abandon faith and revert to unbelief after having known the truth are seduced by Satan who has made their apostasy from Islam seem fair to them. Allah has also granted them respite by prolonging their lives and not hastening their punishment, hence their evil conduct due to such deception. The reason for such seduction by Satan and respite from Allah is that they say to the unbelievers who abhor the Qur'an, which Allah has revealed, 'We will obey you regarding the revelations that you abhor and we will do as you desire of us.' (such as by maintaining enmity against the Prophet). But Allah knows all the inner secrets of the hypocrites and unbelievers. How dreadful these hypocrites' predicament will be when the angels come to seize their souls, striking their faces and their backs! They will thus be smitten at death because they follow whatever incurs Allah's wrath and hate whatever pleases Him, and so He has rendered all their good deeds vain, letting them go unrewarded. Do those in whose hearts is a disease of doubt and hypocrisy think that Allah will not bring to light all the enmity and hatred they feel towards Islam and Muslims? If We pleased, Muhammad, We could surely show them to you, and you would recognize them by their marks which are visible on their faces; but you will certainly recognize them, Muhammad, from the tenor of their speech which clearly reflects their evil intentions. Allah has knowledge of all your actions, people, and He will repay you for them. We will certainly test your faith and patience, believers, and enjoin you to engage in jihad to prove those of you who, according to Our foreknowledge, truly fight for My cause and remain steadfast, and We will put you to the proof to bring to light your true conditions and intentions.

Quran 47: 32-38 Muhammad Tafseer:General explanation: Those who disbelieve, turn people away from Allah's religion and oppose His Messenger after the truth has become clear to them will not, by so doing, harm Allah in the slightest. Allah will certainly make their deeds go to waste. Believers, obey Allah and His Messenger, and do not let your good deeds come to nothing by committing actions that render good actions vain (such as associating partners

with Allah). Those who disbelieve and turn people away from the religion of Allah and in the end die unbelievers—without repentance—will never be granted forgiveness by Allah. Therefore, do not falter and lose heart, believers, when fighting the unbelievers, nor sue for peace. It is you who have the upper hand, for Allah is with you, granting you protection and support; and He will by no means decrease the reward of your good deeds. The life of this world is no more than play and vain amusement, so do not let it make you lose heart and be too weak to engage in jihad. If you truly believe and are mindful of Allah by observing what He commands and eschewing what He forbids, He will reward you in full for your faith. He does not ask you to give up all your wealth. If He were to ask you for all your wealth and press you to spend it all for His cause, you would become niggardly, and He would thus bring your malice to light! Here you are now being called upon to spend your wealth in order to fight Allah's enemies and support His religion. Some among you are tight-fisted with their wealth, yet whoever is tight-fisted with his wealth only deprives himself of abundant good and a great reward. Allah is All-Sufficient and does not need you, while you stand in need of Him. If you, people, turn away from obeying Allah, He will replace you with another people who will not be like you in turning away from His religion and being tight-fisted with their wealth. Rather, they will be more obedient to Him than you!

Quran 48: 1-7 The Conquest Al-Fat-h Tafseer:General explanation: We have granted you, Muhammad—through the conclusion of the Truce of Al-Hudaybiyyah—a signal victory, so that We may forgive you your past and future sins, perfect Our favours to you in this world and the hereafter, guide you on a straight path in which there is no crookedness whatsoever, and help you mightily against your enemies. It is Allah who has sent down tranquillity into the hearts of the believers among the Companions of His Prophet when the Quraysh unbelievers prevented them from entering the Sacred Mosque in Makkah in the year Al-Hudaybiyyah peace treaty was signed, so that they might

have more faith added to their faith. To Allah alone belong all the forces of the heavens and the earth (the forces of the angels, the jinn and humans, among others). Allah is indeed All-Knowing, All-Wise. He did this so that He might admit the believing men and women into gardens beneath which rivers flow to dwell there for ever, and forgive them their sins. Such a promise is, in Allah's sight, a supreme triumph indeed. He also did this so that He might punish, in this world, the male and female hypocrites and idolaters, who entertain the evil thought that Allah will not grant victory to His Messenger and the believers and make his religion prevail over unbelief and its advocates. They will suffer an evil turn of fate, which will encompass them from all sides. Allah is angry with them; He has expelled them from His mercy and prepared Hell for them in the hereafter—an evil destination indeed! To Allah alone belong all the forces of the heavens and the earth. Allah is the All-Mighty who holds sway over all things, the All-Wise who puts everything in its perfect place.

Quran 48: 8-10 The Conquest Al-Fat-h Tafseer:General explanation: We have sent you, Muhammad, as a witness, a bearer of good news to those who obey you, and a warner against punishment to those who disobey you, so that you, people, may believe in Allah and His Messenger, support and honour him, and glorify Allah, declaring Him exalted above all defects and imperfections, morning and evening. Those who swear allegiance to you, Muhammad, at Al-Hudaybiyyah not to flee from the battlefield when they encounter the unbelieving enemies are actually pledging allegiance to Allah Himself: Allah's hand is above their hands. Whoever, therefore, breaks his pledge does so only to his own hurt, as he becomes deserving of punishment; but whoever fulfils his pledge to Allah will be richly rewarded by Him. Quran 48: 11- 14 The Conquest Al-Fat-h Tafseer:General explanation: The desert Arabs dwelling around Madeenah, whom Allah held back from going forth along with you in the year of Al-Hudaybiyyah, will excuse themselves, saying to you, if you reprimand them for their staying behind, 'We were occupied with

our property and families, so ask Allah to forgive us for not going forth along with you!' They will say with their tongues what they do not mean in their hearts. Say to them, Muhammad, 'Who, then, has any power at all to intervene on your behalf with Allah if it is His will to do you harm or good?' Their thought that Allah does not know their inner secrets is not true at all, for He is fully aware of what they do, and none of their intentions and actions is hidden from Him. You, desert dwellers, did not actually stay behind because your property and families kept you busy, as you claim! Rather, you imagined that the Quraysh unbelievers would put an end to the Prophet and his companions once and for all, such that the believers would never return to their families. Satan made such thought seem pleasing to your hearts. You harboured evil thoughts and thus became doomed and devoid of all good. Those who do not believe in Allah and His Messenger are justly deserving of punishment, and We have prepared an intensely blazing fire for the unbelievers. To Allah alone belongs the kingdom of the heavens and the earth, disposing of them as He wills. He forgives whomever He pleases of His servants and punishes, in His absolute justice, whomever He pleases. Allah is All-Forgiving, All-Merciful. Quran 48: 15- 17 The Conquest Al-Fat-h Tafseer:General explanation: The desert Arabs who were left behind in the year of Al-Hudaybiyyah, will say, 'When you set forth with your companions to Khaybar to take the spoils Allah has promised you, Messenger, let us come with you!' By begging to go forth with you, they seek to change Allah's promise that only those who were present at Al-Hudaybiyyah and none else would take the spoils of Khaybar. Say to them, Muhammad, 'You will not join us to fight the Battle of Khaybar. Thus had Allah said to us before returning to you from Al-Hudaybiyyah.' They will say, 'You only envy us having a share of the booty.' The fact of the matter is that they do not understand but a little! Say to those desert Arabs who stayed behind, Muhammad, 'You will be called forth to fight against a people who possess immense military might unless they willingly embrace Islam. If you obey this order, Allah will give you a

glorious reward; but if you disobey Allah as you did when you preferred staying behind to going forth to Al-Hudaybiyyah, He will inflict on you a grievous punishment.' Neither the blind, nor the lame, nor the sick will incur any sin if they do not go forth to war alongside the believers by reason of such legitimate excuse preventing them from fighting. Allah will admit those who obey Him and His Messenger into gardens beneath which rivers flow, but on those who turn away from obeying Him and His Messenger He will inflict an agonising punishment. Quran 48: 18-23 The Conquest Al-Fat-h Tafseer:General explanation: Allah was well pleased with the believers when they pledged their allegiance to you, Muhammad, under the tree at Al-Hudaybiyyah, solemnly promising you to fight against the Quraysh unbelievers and not flee the battlefield. Allah was well aware of the honesty and sincere obedience in their hearts, and so He sent down tranquillity upon them, and rewarded them with a speedy, imminent victory, as well as the rich booty they will take from the Jews of Khaybar, to be exclusively theirs. Allah is the All-Mighty who holds sway over all things, the All-Wise who puts everything in its perfect place. Allah has promised you, believers, many other spoils that you will take in the future. He has hastened the spoils of Khaybar exclusively for you, who pledged the allegiance, which you will take shortly after returning from Al-Hudaybiyyah, and He has restrained people's hands from you, such that you have suffered no harm whatsoever at their hands. He has done all this so that such blessings will be a sign and a lesson for the believers of their being assisted by Allah, and so that Allah will guide you along a straight path. Allah has also promised you, believers, other lands of which you will take possession but are as yet beyond your grasp. Allah has preserved them for you and He will enable you take them after a while. Allah has power over all things. Had the Quraysh unbelievers fought against you in Makkah, they would surely have run away in defeat, and they would have found none to protect or help them against you. Had they fought against you, Allah would certainly have forsaken them, just as He had forsaken their likes among the

unbelieving past nations. Victory for the believers and defeat of their unbelievers are part of the immutable and long-established way Allah has set in operation. You will never find any change, Muhammad, in the way Allah has established with regard to His creation.

Quran 48: 24-26 The Conquest Al-Fat-h Tafseer: General explanation: It was Allah alone who restrained the idolaters' hands from you, believers, and your hands from them, while you were in Al-Hudaybiyyah—the Valley of Makkah—after He had made you victorious over them. Allah sees all that you all do. It was these Quraysh idolaters who rejected the truth, hindered you from entering the Sacred Mosque in the year of Al-Hudaybiyyah and even prevented your sacrificial animals from reaching their place of sacrifice in Makkah! Had it not been for the fact that there were among them in Makkah oppressed believing men and women unknown to you who keep their faith hidden and whom you might have unintentionally killed upon your entering Makkah victoriously, thereby incurring guilt or distress as a result of doing so unwittingly, Allah would have otherwise permitted you to enter Makkah. It was not Allah's will to let you fight the Quraysh unbelievers in the year of Al-Hudaybiyyah, so that He would admit into Islam whomever He wills among the residents of Makkah before your entering it victoriously. Had these two groups stood apart, such that the unbelievers in Makkah were clearly distinguishable to you from the believers there, We would have allowed you, believers, to attack these unbelievers and We would then have inflicted a grievous punishment on them at your hands. While the bigotry and pride of ignorance was holding its sway in the hearts of the unbelievers by setting the unjust terms of Al-Hudaybiyyah truce, Allah sent down tranquillity, patience and steadfastness on His Messenger and on his believing companions and made them steadfastly adhere to the requirements of the Word of Piety (that is, the testimony of faith: There is no god worthy of worship except Allah), for they were more worthy and deserving of it than those unbelievers. Allah has full knowledge of all things.

Quran 48: 27-29 The Conquest Al-Fat-h Tafseer: General explanation: Allah has fulfilled His Messenger Muhammad's true vision in which he saw that he had entered the Sacred Mosque secure and fearless. Therefore, you, Muhammad, and your companions will surely enter the Sacred Mosque next year, at the time He Himself wills, totally safe from the Quraysh's harm and without fear at all, with some of you having their heads shaved while others having their hair shortened (as a rite for pilgrims). Allah was fully aware of the benefits—which you did not know behind His preventing you from entering Makkah in the year of Al-Hudaybiyyah, allowing you to enter it only the following year, so He first granted you, even before entering Makkah victoriously, a speedy victory, namely the truce of Al-Hudaybiyyah. It is Allah who has sent forth His Messenger, Muhammad, with beneficial knowledge and the true religion—Islam—to make it prevail over all other religions. Sufficient is Allah as a witness. Muhammad is Allah's Messenger, and his companions who are with him are firm and unyielding towards those who oppose their religion but full of mercy towards those who follow it. You see them bowing down and prostrating in prayer, seeking Allah's grace—to admit them into Paradise—and His good pleasure. They bear on their faces the marks of their prostrations in prayer. Thus are they described in the Torah. In the Gospel, they are described as a seed which puts forth its shoot and strengthens it, so that it grows stout and in the end stands firm on its stem, much to the delight of the sowers. Thus will Allah make the believers grow in number and strength, so that through them He may enrage the unbelievers. To the Prophet's companions who believe and do good deeds Allah has promised forgiveness and a great reward.

Quran 49: 1-8 Al-Hujurat Tafseer: General explanation: Believers, do not presume to say or do anything before you have received the judgment of Allah and His Messenger, and fear Allah by doing what He commands and avoiding what He forbids; for Allah hears everything you say and knows everything you do. Believers, do not raise your voices above the voice of the Prophet, nor call him by

his own personal name or speak loudly to him as you would speak loudly to one another, lest your good deeds should come to nothing without your perceiving it. Those who lower their voices in the presence of Allah's Messenger are those whose hearts Allah has purified so that they would fear Him by observing what He commands and avoiding what He forbids. They will obtain forgiveness and a rich reward from Allah. Most of those who call out to you, Muhammad, from outside your wives' apartments are ignorant of Allah's religion and the due respect and reverence they should show you. If they wait patiently until you leave your home and come out to them of your own accord, it will certainly be better for them. Allah is All-Forgiving, All-Merciful. Believers, if a wicked evildoer brings you any piece of news, ascertain its truth first, lest you should wrong people unintentionally by believing the report without verifying it and then regret what you have done. Keep in mind, Companions of the Prophet, that Allah's Messenger is among you. If he were to follow your opinions and desires in many matters, you would surely suffer a great deal of hardship. But as it is Allah has endeared the faith to you and made it pleasing and appealing to your hearts, and He has made unbelief, wickedness and sins hateful to you. Therefore, give thanks to Allah for that, and just follow the instructions of Allah and His Messenger without placing your opinions ahead of their decisions. It is people with such noble qualities who are rightly guided. Allah has done all this for them through His grace and bounty. Allah is All-knowing, All-Wise.

Quran 49: 9-13 Al-Hujurat Tafseer: General explanation: If two parties of believers fight each other, make peace between them. If one of them rejects reconciliation while the other accepts it, then fight the aggressing party that rejects reconciliation until it submits to Allah's law and judgement. If it complies with Allah's command, then make peace with them with justice, and be fair; for Allah loves those who are fair and just. The believers are but brothers in faith. Make peace, therefore, between fellow believers if they fall to fighting, and fear Allah so that you may receive His

mercy. Believers, men should not mock other men, for it may well be that those they mock are better and of greater worth than themselves in Allah's sight; nor should any women mock other women, for it may well be that those they mock are better and of greater worth than themselves in Allah's sight. Do not defame and find fault with one another, nor insult one another by using offensive nicknames your fellow believers dislike. It is an evil thing to be called by a bad name after having embracing the faith. Those who do not repent of such vices are wrongdoers. Believers, avoid entertaining suspicions about one another, for suspicion in some cases is a sin. Do not spy on one another, nor backbite one another. Would any of you like to eat the flesh of his dead brother?! Surely you would abhor it; if you do, then abhor speaking ill of fellow Muslims in their absence. Fear Allah; Allah is All-Forgiving, All-Merciful. Mankind! We have created you all from a male and a female, namely Adam and Eve, and We have made you into nations and tribes in order that you might get to know one another. Truly, the most honorable of you, in the sight of Allah, are the most genuinely God-fearing who obey His commands and avoid what He forbids. Allah is All-knowing, All-Aware. Quran 49: 14- 18 Al-Hujurat Tafseer: General explanation: The desert Arabs into whose hearts faith has not yet entered say to you, Muhammad, 'We wholeheartedly believe what you have brought us.' Say to them, 'You have not attained perfect faith yet. You should rather say, "We have outwardly submitted ourselves to Allah," for faith has not yet found its way into your hearts. If you obey Allah and His Messenger, He will by no means deny you the reward of your good deeds. Surely Allah is All-Forgiving, All-Merciful.' The true believers are those who sincerely believe in Allah and His Messenger and never entertain any doubts about this afterwards, and who strive hard in Allah's cause with their possessions and their lives. These are they who are true believers. Say to these desert Arabs, 'Do you presume to inform Allah about your religion, when Allah knows all that is in the heavens and the earth? Nothing whatsoever is hidden from Him and you need not

inform Him of the inner secrets of your hearts; for Allah has full knowledge of all things.' These desert Arabs think they have done you a favor, Muhammad, by embracing Islam. Say to them, 'You have done me no favor at all by your accepting Islam. It is indeed Allah who has bestowed a favor on you by guiding you to the true faith. Admit this, if you are telling the truth.' Allah knows all that is hidden in the heavens and the earth. Allah is fully aware of everything you do.

Quran 50: 1-11 Qaaf Tafseer:General explanation: Allah Almighty opens this noble surah with one of the disconnected letters of the Arabic alphabet, namely quaf. A brief discussion of these disconnected letters is to be found at the beginning of Surat Al-Bagarah. I swear by the Glorious Qur'an containing exalted and sublime meanings [that you, Muhammad, are a true messenger and that the Day of Resurrection and Recompense is true]. The Quraysh unbelievers deem it strange that a human messenger from among themselves has come to them to warn them of Allah's punishment, and so they say, 'It is indeed a wondrous thing that a human messenger has come to us! What! After we have become dust, shall we indeed be brought back to life again?! Such a return to life is utterly impossible!' We know very well what the earth consumes of their bodies after their death, and with Us is a wellpreserved Record in which everything is recorded. Indeed, they deny the Qur'an after it has come to them, and so they are now in a state of utter confusion! Have those who deny the resurrection never looked at the sky above them to reflect on how We have so perfectly built it and adorned with stars, leaving no flaws whatsoever in it?! We have spread out the earth and placed in it firmly set mountains to prevent it from shaking, and We have brought forth from it every kind of plant that is pleasing to the eye. We have made all this to serve as a lesson and a reminder to every servant who frequently turns to Us. And We send down blessed water from the sky with which We bring forth gardens and all types of grains that are harvested (such as wheat and corn), as well as tall palm trees bearing clusters of dates, as a provision for

mankind, thereby giving new life to a dead land. Just as We bring the earth back to life after it has been lifeless, so We will bring you, people, back to life on the Day of Resurrection.

Quran 50: 12- 15 Qaaf Tafseer:General explanation: Long before the Quraysh unbelievers the people of Noah and the people of Ar-Rass (the People of the Well) denied the truth; and so did Thamud (the people Salih), 'Aad (the people of Hud), Pharaoh who denied Moses, the people of Lot, the dwellers of the Thicket (the people of Shu'ayb) and the people of Tubba'(the King of Yemen): They all disbelieved the messengers and so the punishment with which I had threatened them was justly inflicted on them. Were We, then, incapable of creating them in the first place?! No, We were not, yet they are still in doubt about Our power to bring the dead back to life!

Quran 50: 16-30 Qaaf Tafseer:General explanation: We have created every single human being and We fully know the good and evil promptings of his innermost self; We are closer to him than even his jugular vein when the two angels set to record everything he says or does, one on his right and one on his left. No word does a person utter without it is being noted down by an ever-present vigilant angel. The agony of death brings with it the truth that comes after death in terms of reward or punishment. This is the very death that you, man, tried to evade in the world! The Angel will sound the Trumpet on Judgment Day and all the dead will be raised. This is the day on which Allah has threatened to punish the unbelievers and evil wrongdoers! Every person will come forward, attended by an angel to drive him on before Allah and another angel to bear witness to his actions. You were totally heedless, man, of this day in the life of the world. Now We have removed your veil, and so your sight is so sharp today that you can clearly perceive what you used to deny in the world. The angel accompanying man in the world to take down his deeds will say, 'This is the one I was charged with in the life of the world, and this is his record of deeds that I keep—ready with me.' Allah will command man's two accompanying angels, after having judged all

people, 'Hurl into the Fire of Hell every stubborn unbeliever, every withholder of good who violates Allah's limits and oppresses people, who doubts Allah's oneness and power and urges others to do the same, and who has set up another god to worship besides Allah: Cast him into the severe torment of the Fire.' Satan will say, disowning that unbeliever, 'Lord, I did not lead him astray, for I had no power at all over him. He himself was far astray from the truth.' Allah will say to these unbelievers and their devil companions, 'Do not dispute in My presence, as this will be of no use today. I did forewarn you and had established evidence against you in the life of the world. Thus the decree that I will fill Hell with those deserving it among the jinn and mankind who follow Satan cannot be changed. I never do the least wrong to My salves.' Beware of the day when We ask Hell, 'Are you now full?' and it will reply, asking for more, 'Is there yet any addition?! Quran 50: 31-40 Qaaf Tafseer: General explanation: Paradise will, on the Day of Resurrection, be brought close to the righteous and God-fearing who observe what He commands and avoid what He forbids: It will be at a place not far from them at all. This is the reward Allah has promised everyone who constantly turns to Him, always respects His rights and keeps His commands, who fears Allah in secret when no one is with him and comes on the Day of Resurrection with a heart entirely and exclusively devoted to the love and obedience of his Lord. They will be told, 'Enter Paradise in peace and security, totally safe from all evil and harm. This is the day when eternal life in Paradise will begin.' They will have everything they desire in Paradise, and We will have yet more rewards for them such that they have never ever perceived! Numerous indeed were the past unbelieving nations that We destroyed before the Quraysh unbelievers! They were far more powerful than them, cultivated the land more and developed it more than these have ever developed it, but all that did not protect them against Allah's punishment when it descended upon them! Likewise, your strength, people of Quraysh, will by no means save you against Allah's punishment if you obstinately persist in your

unbelief. Surely in this there is a lesson and a reminder for everyone who has a mind to reason and reflect with and who is present with an attentive mind when listening to Allah's revelations. We created the heavens and the earth and all that is between them in six days, and We were not affected by fatigue at all. Therefore, patiently endure the hurtful words that the unbelievers say to you, Muhammad, and extol your Lord's limitless glory—declaring Him free from all defects and imperfections—before sunrise and before sunset; and in the night, too, extol His glory, and after the prayers.

Quran 50: 41-45 Qaaf Tafseer:General explanation: And listen out for the day, Muhammad, when the Angel will call out people from a nearby place—the day when all will hear the mighty Blast of resurrection in truth. That is the day when people will come forth from their graves and gather before Us for judgement and recompense. It is We who bring the dead back to life and cause those alive to die, and to Us will all people be returned on Resurrection Day. Beware of the day when the earth splits open above the dead: They will emerge alive from their graves and come forth hastening to The Place of Gathering (the plains of Judgement Day). That gathering will indeed be easy for Us to accomplish. We know best what the unbelievers say, Muhammad. You are not sent to coerce them into following the truth. Your duty is only to deliver the message. Remind, then, with the Qur'an those who fear the punishment with which I have threatened those who disobey Me.

Quran 51: 1- 14 Adh-Dhariyat Tafseer:General explanation: I swear by the winds that scatter things (such as dust) far and wide, by the clouds that bear rain, by the ships that sail across the seas with gentle ease and by the angels that distribute whatever We command them to distribute among creatures: What you are promised is true indeed and the last judgment is bound to come. I swear by the perfectly built and superbly designed heavens that you, Quraysh unbelievers, hold contradictory views and statements (by describing the Qur'an sometimes as magic, sometimes as

poetry and at other times as fables of the ancients and by calling the Prophet sometimes a magician, sometimes a madman and at other times a poet, among other things)! Those who will be turned away from the Qur'an, as a result of such contradictory false statements that are fabricated to refute the truth, are only the ones who are deprived of it and are destined to be turned away from it, according to Allah's foreknowledge, due to their preferring misguidance over guidance and unbelief over true faith. Expelled from Allah's mercy are these liars who utter falsehood—who are steeped in ignorance and are heedless of and blind to the truth. They mockingly ask, 'When will this day on which we will be judged come?' It will be the day when they will be tormented and burned in the Fire. 'Taste your torment and burning as punishment for your unbelief,' they will be told. 'This is the very torment that you mockingly demanded to be hastened in the life of the world! Quran 51: 15-23 Adh-Dhariyat Tafseer: General explanation: the God-fearing who obey Allah's commands and avoid what He forbids will dwell amidst vast gardens and running springs, joyously receiving the great blessings Allah will bestow on them in Paradise. They will be in such bliss because they did good works in the life of the world; they slept but a small part of the night spending the greater part of it in prayer; they would ask their Lord for forgiveness before dawn and would give a due share of their possessions to those who ask for help and the destitute who do not ask for anything. On earth there are countless signs of Allah's oneness and power to resurrect the dead for those who believe in Him with absolute certainty. There are also signs of Allah's oneness and power in yourselves. Can you not, then, see them?! And in the heavens is your sustenance (such as rain) and all sorts of divine decrees, as well as all that you are promised. I swear by the Lord of the heavens and the earth that all this is the very truth—just as true as the fact that you can speak. Quran 51: 24-37 Adh-Dhariyat Tafseer: General explanation: Has

Quran 51: 24-37 Adh-Dhariyat Tafseer:General explanation: Has the story of Abraham's honoured angel guests reached you, Muhammad? They entered upon him and greeted him, saying,

'Peace be with you!' 'Peace be with you! You are unknown to me,' he replied. Then he slipped off to his family and returned with a fat roasted calf, deeming them human beings. He placed it before them and, seeing that they did not touch it, he asked them, 'Will you not eat?' When they did not eat, he grew afraid of them, but they reassuringly said, 'Have no fear,' and they gave him the good news of the birth of a knowledgeable son (Isaac, peace be upon him). Whereupon his wife came forward with a loud cry when she overheard the good news and, striking her face in astonishment, said, 'I am a barren old woman. How can I possibly conceive?' 'Thus has your Lord said,' the angels replied. 'He surely is the All-Wise, the All-knowing. When Abraham realised who his guests were, he asked them, 'What is the serious mission on which Allah has sent you?' They replied, 'We have been sent to a wicked, unbelieving people (the people of Lot) to rain down upon them stones of baked clay that are specially marked by your Lord for those who have transgressed His limits.' First We brought forth all the believers who were in the city. We did not find there anyone who surrendered themselves to Us but a single household (Lot and his family, with the exception of his wife), and We left in that city a sign testifying to the dreadful fate its people suffered—as a lesson for those who fear Allah's punishment to learn from it. Quran 51: 38-46 Adh-Dhariyat Tafseer: General explanation: In the story of Moses, too, there is a sign and a lesson: We sent him forth to Pharaoh with a manifest, incontestable proof; yet, relying on his forces, Pharaoh turned away from the truth in disdain, saying, 'You are either a magician or a madman!' So We seized him and his forces and cast them into the sea, drowning them all. Indeed, he was worthy of reprehension for his unbelief and transgression. In the story of 'Aad there is also a sign and a lesson when they denied their Prophet Hud: We sent against them a devastating wind bearing no good at all, which pounded into dust everything it came upon! And in the story of Thamud, too, there is a sign and a lesson when they rejected their Prophet Salih. He told them, 'Enjoy yourselves until the end of your life terms,' but they

arrogantly defied their Lord's command; so the mighty blast seized them while they helplessly looked at His punishment descending upon them. They could neither escape Allah's punishment and avert it by themselves, nor did they have anyone to save them from it! We also destroyed Noah's people before these nations; they, too, were a rebellious unbelieving people.

Quran 51: 47-60 Adh-Dhariyat Tafseer: General explanation: We built the heavens with Our great creative power, for We do possess absolute power and authority; and We spread out the earth in such a way as to make it easier for people to benefit from it. Excellent indeed We are for having smoothing it out and prepared it! And of everything have We have created two kinds, so that you may reflect on Allah's power and realise His oneness. Say to your people, Muhammad, 'Flee to Allah by believing in Him, obeying His commands and seeking His forgiveness; I have been sent by Allah with a plain warning to you against His punishment if you persist in your unbelief. Do not associate partners with Allah and worship Him alone. I have been sent by Him to give you a clear warning. The past unbelieving nations denied their messengers just as the Quraysh now deny their Prophet. Whenever a messenger came to those nations before them, they also said, 'He is but a sorcerer or a madman.' Have, then, the unbelievers handed down such a statement accusing their messengers of being magicians or madmen from one generation to the next? By no means! They express the same opinion because they have all defiantly disobeyed Allah's commands and transgressed His limits. Pay no heed to them, Muhammad. You will not incur Our blame in so doing, for you have faithfully conveyed Our message to them; yet go on reminding all, for such a reminder will certainly benefit the believers. I have created the jinn and mankind only to worship Me alone. I require no sustenance from them for Myself, for themselves or for others; nor do I require them to feed Me or feed themselves or others. Allah alone is the All-Provider, who provides sustenance for all His creatures; the possessor of perfect mighty power, the All-Strong. Those who wrong themselves by

associating partners with Allah will have their full share of His punishment like that of their likes from among the unbelievers of the past nations. Let them not, then, ask Me to hasten their torment. Woe betide, then, the unbelievers because of the day on which they will suffer the punishment with which they have been threatened! Quran 52: 1-16 At-Tur Tafseer: General explanation: I swear by Mount Sinai, by the book that is inscribed on an unrolled parchment, by the House that is frequently visited by the angels in the heavens, by the sky that We have raised and made as a roof for the earth, and by the swollen sea: Your Lord's punishment will surely descend on those who justly deserve it, and there will be none to prevent it from taking place or saving them from it. That punishment will fall upon them on the day when the sky will shake and reel violently and the mountains will move from their places with a great motion, becoming scattered dust. Woe betide on that day the unbelievers who are immersed in falsehood, totally heedless of the hereafter! On that day they will be shoved roughly into the Fire of Hell, and it will be said to them, 'This is the Fire which you denied in the worldly life. Is the punishment that you are now facing magic that is not real or are you unable to see it with your own eyes?! Enter the Fire and suffer its heat. It will be the same whether you bear it with or without patience, as nothing of that will benefit you. You rejected the truth in the life of the world, and so you are now only requited according to your deeds. Quran 52: 17-28 At-Tur Tafseer: General explanation: The Godfearing who observe what Allah commands and avoid what He forbids will be in gardens and in great delight in the afterlife, enjoying the bliss their Lord will have bestowed upon in Paradise, for their Lord will have delivered them from the torment of the Fire. 'Eat and drink with relish,' they will be told, 'as a reward for the good deeds you used to do in the worldly life.' They will be reclining on couches ranged in rows, and We will marry them to fair maidens with beautiful wide eyes. We will unite the true believers with their offspring who follow them in their faith, so that their offspring will enjoy the same degree of reward in

Paradise even though they might not have done the same meritorious deeds as their parents, and We will not decrease the reward of the parents' deeds in anything because of their being united with their offspring. Every person, however, will be held in pledge for his own deeds: He will not bear the burden of other people's sins, be they parents of offspring. We will supply the believers in Paradise with any kind of fruit and meat they desire. They will pass around cups of pure wine which, unlike wine of the worldly life, will not lead to idle talk, nor incite to sin. They will be waited on by youthful servants with perfect demeanor, as pure as virgin pearls still preserved in their shells! They will approach one another, talking about their condition in the life of the world. 'When we were in the life of the world,' they will say to each other, 'we used to be ever afraid of Allah's punishment on Judgement Day, and so Allah has been gracious to us and saved us from the punishment of the Fire. We used to pray to Him alone in the worldly life. He is the All-Benign and the Most Generous towards His servants, the Ever Merciful to them.

Ouran 52: 29-49 At-Tur Tafseer: General explanation: Therefore, remind people, Muhammad, with the Qur'an. By the grace of your Lord, you are neither a soothsayer nor a madman, as they falsely claim! Or do the Quraysh idolaters say, 'Muhammad is but a poet; let us await whatever calamity time will bring upon him!' Say to them, 'Wait for my ruin if you will. I, too, am waiting for Allah's punishment to descend upon you.' Is it their reason that directs them to utter such falsehoods? Rather, they are arrogant people who have exceeded all Allah's bounds! Or do they say, 'Muhammad has fabricated the Qur'an himself and has falsely ascribed it to Allah'?! By no means! Rather, they arrogantly refuse to believe the truth that has come to them form Allah! Let them, then, produce a scripture like this Qur'an if what they say is true. Were they created without there being a Creator to create them, or were they their own creators? Did they create the heavens and the earth? No. In truth they have no firm belief! Or do these idolaters hold the keys to the treasures of your Lord's mercy, Muhammad,

or are they the ones who have absolute control of all affairs?! Or do they have a ladder whereby they ascend to the heavens to listen to Our revelations?! Let, then, their listeners bring clear evidence to prove what they claim they have listened to. Or does Allah have daughters while you, idolaters, have sons, as you falsely claim?! Or are you, Muhammad, asking them for any payment for your conveying the message, which they find too hard to meet and so they do not respond to you?! Or do they have knowledge of the unseen which they can write down?! Or are they devising an evil scheme in their attempt to refute the truth?! It is the unbelievers who will fall victim to their evil schemes. Or do they have a deity that is worthy of worship other than Allah which they worship?! Exalted be Allah above anything they associate with Him! Even if these idolaters were to see fragments of the sky falling down on them, they would still say, out of sheer stubbornness, 'These are but piled-up clouds,' totally denying them to be divine punishment. Therefore, leave them, Muhammad, until they encounter that day of theirs on which they will be punished—the day when their schemes will be of no avail to them, nor will they be helped and saved from the punishment. And there surely awaits those who wrong themselves by disbelieving in Allah another punishment even prior to the punishment on that day, yet most of them are not aware of it! So be patient with your Lord's decree, Muhammad; for you are always under Our Watchful Eyes, giving you full support and protection. Extol your Lord's limitless glory and praise by declaring Him free from all defects and imperfections when you rise up from sleep, and extol His glory during some parts of the night, and at the declining of the stars (when the night is about to end).

Quran 53: 1- 18 The Star (An-Najm) Tafseer: General explanation: I swear by the star when fade away that Allah's Messenger, Muhammad, People of Quraysh, has not strayed from the truth, nor is he deluded or misguided, nor does he follow his whims or speak out of his fancy. The Qur'an is nothing but a revelation that Allah reveals to him. It is taught to him by Gabriel (Jibreel), who is

endowed with mighty power and a perfect form with both outward and inward beauty. Gabriel rose to his true form, manifesting himself on the highest point above the horizon, in the eastern part of the sky; then, drawing near, he came down closer still to Muhammad (may Allah bless him and grant him peace) to reveal to him whatever Allah wills, until he was at a distance of two bows' length or even closer, and revealed to Allah's Servant— Muhammad—whatever he had to reveal to him from Allah. Muhammad's heart did not deny what he saw with his own eyes. Will you, then, Quraysh unbelievers, dispute with Muhammad about what he told you regarding what he saw during his Night Journey?! Muhammad did see Gabriel once again in his natural form in which Allah created him by a great lote-tree in the heavens beyond which none may pass, called Sidrat Al-Munthaa (the Lote-Tree of the Farthest Limit), near which is the Garden of Eternal Abode. Muhammad saw Gabriel when Sidrat al-Muntahaa was veiled over by divine splendours. Muhammad's sight did not turn aside to the right hand or to the left, nor did it go beyond what he was commanded to see. He did indeed see, on the Night Journey and Ascension through the Heavens, his Lord's greatest signs! Quran 53: 19-32 The Star (An-Najm) Tafseer: General explanation: Now, have you, Quraysh idolaters, considered Al-Laat, Al-'Uzzaa and Manaat, that other third idol, which you worship besides Allah and claim that they are Allah's daughters? Why would you prefer only sons for yourselves whereas to Allah you attribute daughters, whom you hate and do not like to have as offspring?! That then would indeed be an unfair division! They are no other than empty names, which you and your fathers have given to such alleged deities, about whose divinity Allah has sent down no proof whatsoever! By worshipping such idols, the idolaters follow nothing but conjecture and falsehood towards which they incline, even though right guidance from their Lord has now come to them. Does man imagine that he can have whatever good he desires?! By no means! Indeed, both the life to come and the present life belong to Allah, who alone can give whatever He

wills to whomever He pleases. Numerous are the angels in the heavens, yet their intercession will be of no benefit whatsoever unless Allah gives permission to whomever of them He wills and is well pleased with those for whom intercession will be sought with Him. Those who do not believe in the life to come give Allah's Angels female names and falsely claim that they are His daughters! Yet of this the idolaters have no knowledge whatsoever. By making such an unfounded claim, they follow nothing other than pure conjecture. Conjecture is of no benefit at all and is no substitute for the truth! Therefore, shun those who turn away from the Qur'an, Muhammad, and who seek only the life of this world. Such is the full extent of their knowledge. Surely your Lord, Muhammad, knows very well those who stray from His path, and He knows very well those who have been guided to the truth. To Allah alone belongs the kingdom of all that is in the heavens and the earth, so that He may repay those who do evil according to their unbelief and wicked actions and reward those who do good with the best reward: They are those who avoid the major sins and shameful deeds even if they may sometimes stumble into the minor sins without persisting in doing them, for these are forgivable. Your Lord's forgiveness, Muhammad, is vast indeed: He forgives His servants' whenever they sincerely turn to Him and repent. He is best aware of you, mankind, when He created your father, Adam, from the dust of the earth and when you were still in your mothers' wombs. Do not, then, assert your own goodness and piety, for Allah alone knows very well those who are truly God-fearing! Quran 53: 33-62 The Star (An-Najm) Tafseer: General explanation: Have you, Muhammad, considered him who turns away from the truth, giving away a little wealth at first and then stops altogether? Does he have knowledge of the unseen, so that he can see it clearly? Has this unbeliever not been informed of what is in the Torah that Allah revealed to Moses and in the scriptures (Scrolls) of Abraham, who faithfully fulfilled the laws of Islam that Allah enjoined on him?! These scriptures state that no person, who is already burdened with his own sins, will bear another's

burden, that a person will obtain in the life to come only what he strives for in this worldly life, and that the everyone's deeds will be seen on Judgment Day and he will be repaid for them in full! The ultimate return of all people, will be to your Lord, Muhammad. It is He who causes people to laugh and weep; it is He who causes death and gives life; it is He who creates the two kinds, the male and the female, from a drop of sperm when it is emitted and poured forth into the womb; it is He who will bring the dead back to life; it is He who enriches whomever He wills of His servants and gives to whomever of them He pleased surplus possessions to store beyond their needs; and it is He who is the Lord of Sirius!! It is He who utterly destroyed the tribe of 'Aad (Hud's people) and the tribe of Thamud (Salih's people), sparing none of them; and before them He drowned Noah's people, who were far more unjust and, the worst in their unbelief and oppression; and it is He who turned the cities of Lot's people upside down, leaving them completely covered with the stones that had been rained down upon them. Which, then, of your Lord's favours, man, would you doubt, deny and dispute?! This Messenger—Muhammad (may Allah bless him and grant him peace)—is a warner to mankind, just like the messengers before him who were sent to their peoples. The approaching Judgement Day has drawn near. None can reveal it at the appointed time and remove its horrors and terrors but Allah. Do you, then, find this Qur'an strange, idolaters, mockingly laughing at it instead of weeping out of fear of the warnings it contains, while persisting in your heedlessness?! Rather prostrate yourselves before Allah, and worship Him!

Quran 54: 1-17 The Moon (Al-Qamar) Tafseer:General explanation: The Day of Judgement has drawn near, and the moon has split into two parts in support of the Prophet's prophethood. Yet, whenever the Quraysh idolaters see a sign bearing witness to the truthfulness of Muhammad's prophethood, they stubbornly deny it and turn away, saying, 'What Muhammad shows us is but a continued series of magic!' They deny the truth and follow their own desires without any proof whatsoever. Yet everything is

destined to reach an end in this life and the next and will be ultimately settled. Enough cautionary stories about the destruction of past communities who denied their messengers, have already come to them to serve as a deterrent to them to desist from disbelieving in Allah and denying His revelations and messengers. They contain consummate, far-reaching wisdom, but how can they benefit from warnings when they obstinately reject the clear signs?! Therefore, turn away from them, Muhammad, as warnings are of no benefit to them; and await the day when the Summoner (Angel Israafeel) will call mankind to something awfully dreadful. They will come forth from their graves, with their eyes downcast because of extreme fear, and make their way go to the Place of Gathering—the Plains of Judgment Day. Numerous will they be as though they were locusts scattered about, obediently hastening towards the Summoner. The unbelievers will, on that day, say, 'This is a very hard day indeed. Noah's people rejected the truth long before the Quraysh unbelievers. They disbelieved Our Servant, Noah, saying, 'He is a madman,' and they rebuked him and prevented him from preaching the truth to them. 'I am overcome,' he cried out to his Lord, 'so grant me help!' We answered his prayer. So We opened the gates of the sky with pouring rain, and caused the earth to burst forth with gushing springs, so that the waters of the heavens and the earth met for a purpose We had already preordained! We carried Noah on a vessel built with planks and nails, sailing on before Our Watchful Eyes and under Our protection and care, as a reward for Noah for his patiently enduring his people's harm and rejection of him. We have left Noah's Ark to be a lesson and a sign for people. Is there, then, anyone who will take heed and be admonished by what happened to such unbelieving people as a result of their disbelieving in the Lord and denying the messenger He had sent them? How terrible was My punishment of Noah's unbelieving people, and how dreadful was My warning with such punishment the unbelievers after them in order to beware of suffering divine torment? Indeed, We have made the Qur'an easy for admonition

and to understand and remember. Is there anyone, then, who will take heed and be admonished by it?

Quran 54: 18-32 The Moon (Al-Qamar) Tafseer: General explanation: Aad, too, denied their Messenger Hud. How terrible was the punishment I inflicted on them, and how dreadful was My warning with such punishment those who follow in their footsteps?! We let loose upon them a freezing, piercing gale on a day of relentless misery and incessant punishment. The storm plucked up people and hurled them down to the ground, severing their heads from their bodies and leaving them, after their destruction, like trunks of uprooted palm-trees! How terrible was the punishment I inflicted on them, and how dreadful was My warning with such punishment those who follow in their footsteps?! Indeed, We have made the Qur'an easy for admonition and to understand and remember. Is there anyone, then, who will take heed and be admonished by it? Thamud, Salih's people, also called Our warnings lies! They said, 'Are we to follow a single human being like us? If we do, we should then be in error and be in abject misery. How could the revelation be sent down only to him out of all us?! No, indeed! He is an arrogant liar.' They will soon find out who the arrogant liar is! We are sending the she-camel as a test for them, Salih; so observe them closely and see what they are going to do and will be done to them; be steadfast and patiently endure their harm. Inform them that the water of the village is to be shared out between themselves and the she-camel, each taking a turn to drink every other day: She will have her share of water one day without them being around her on her day, and they will have theirs, without her coming near them on their day. However, bent on killing the she-camel, the Thamud unbelievers called their most wretched companion, who perpetrated the evil deed and slew her. How terrible was the punishment I inflicted on them, and how dreadful was My warning with such punishment those who follow in their footsteps?! We sent against them only one mighty blast that utterly destroyed them all, leaving them like the dry sticks collected and used by those who build sheepfolds! Indeed, We

have made the Qur'an easy for admonition and to understand and remember. Is there anyone, then, who will take heed and be admonished by it?

Ouran 54: 33-55 The Moon (Al-Qamar) Tafseer: General explanation: The people of Lot denied Our warnings. We rained down upon them stones, which destroyed them all except for Lot and the believing members of his family, whom We delivered in the last hours of the night—as an act of grace from Us. Thus do We deliver those who give thanks to Us for Our favours. Lot had already warned his people of Our severe punishment, but they stubbornly doubted and denied them. Impelled by their perverted lust, they went as far as demanding his angel guests of him, that they might abuse them, so We blinded their eyes: Taste, then, People of Lot, My torment and suffer the consequences of ignoring of My warnings. Early in the morning, a relentless and lasting punishment overtook them: Taste, then, My punishment and suffer the consequences of ignoring My warnings. Indeed, We have made the Qur'an easy for admonition and to understand and remember. Is there anyone, then, who will take heed and be admonished by it? Pharaoh and his people also received warnings of Our punishment, but they denied all Our signs, and so We inflicted such a punishment on them that can only be carried out by the Almighty, the Omnipotent! Now, People of Quraysh, are your unbelievers better than those I destroyed because of their stubborn unbelief, or have you been granted immunity from the punishment of your Lord in the previous divine scriptures? Or do the Quraysh unbelievers say, 'We are a great army and we will be victorious'? All their forces will be defeated and put to flight by the Muslims! The Day of Judgment is their appointed time of punishment. What they suffer now is only the forerunner of what they will experience in the next; indeed, the Day of Judgment will be more grievous and more bitter than all their afflictions in this life! The idolaters will, on Judgment Day, be in utter loss, hardship, misery and a terrible punishment. They will be dragged into the Fire on their faces, and they will be reproachfully told, 'Taste now the punishment of the

Fire.' We have created all things bound by a preordained fixed decree, and Our command, when We will something, is but one single word: 'Be,' and it is as We will it—in the twinkling of an eye! We have already destroyed nations like yourselves, People of Quraysh, who disbelieved in Allah and denied their messengers. Is there, then, anyone who will take heed, be admonished by the destruction that was inflicted on the former unbelieving nations and thus beware of suffering the same dreadful fate?! Everything people do is to be found in their records of deeds kept by the angels, and every single matter, small or great, is written down. The God-fearing who observe what Allah commands and avoid what He forbids will be amidst gardens and rivers, in a firm seat of truth and total bliss, in the presence of an All-Powerful Sovereign. Quran 55: 1-25 The Most Gracious (Al-Rahman) Tafseer: General explanation: Al-Rahman, The Most Gracious, has taught His servants the Qur'an, making it easy for them to memorise it and understand its meanings. He has created mankind (Adam and his descendants) and taught man speech, granting him the ability to clearly express his thoughts and feelings. The sun and the moon run their appointed courses according to perfectly precise calculations, and the stars and the trees all prostrate themselves to the All-Compassionate God. He has raised the sky above the earth and set up the balance of justice among people so that they may not exceed the limits and commit injustice. Weigh, then, with justice and do not give short weight or measure. Allah has spread out the earth and prepared for living creatures: In it He has placed all kinds of fruits, date palms with sheathed clusters, edible chaffcovered grains and pleasant-smelling herbs. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! He created Adam, the father of mankind, from dry, sounding clay, like pottery, and He created the jinn from a smokeless flame of fire. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! He is the Lord and Creator of the two points of the horizon at which the sun rises and sets at the summer and winter solstice. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you,

humans and jinn, deny?! He has let loose the two bodies of fresh and salty water, converging together, and has placed between them a barrier that prevents them from mixing with each other. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! Out of these two bodies of water come forth pearls and corals, from which people make precious jewellery and ornaments. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! His are the ships, carrying their sails aloft in the ocean, like mountains. Which, then, of your Lord's favours, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! Quran 55: 26-45 The Most Gracious (Al-Rahman) Tafseer:General explanation: Every single creature on the face of the earth (humans and jinn, among others) is bound to perish. Only the Countenance of your Lord—the Lord of Majesty and Glory will remain for ever, Muhammad. Which, then, of your Lord's favours, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! All the creatures in the heavens and the earth ask Him to fulfill their needs and grant their requests. Every day He is engaged in some matter, such as relieving afflictions, forgiving sins, granting petitions, healing the sick, giving life to some and causing death to others, and raising some people while abasing others. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! We will judge you and repay you, humans and jinn who disobey My commands, according to your deeds on Judgment Day. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you ungratefully deny?! They will be told after they have been gathered before Him on the Day of resurrection: Company of jinn and mankind, if you are able to pass beyond the confines of the heavens and the earth to escape divine judgment, then do so. You will not be able to pass through except with absolute power, which you obviously do not have. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! Great smokeless flames of fire and smoke with flying sparks of fire, as well as molten copper, will be sent against you; and there will be none to help you, nor will be able to defend yourselves against it. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you,

humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! When the sky splits asunder on Judgment Day and reddens like a bright red rose, how great the terror on that day will be! Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! On that day, neither humans nor jinn will be asked about the sins they have committed. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! They will be told, 'This is Hell, which the wicked used to deny in the life of the world.' They will go back and forth between it and boiling hot water. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! Quran 55: 46-78 The Most Gracious (Al-Rahman) Tafseer:General explanation: Those who fear the time they will have to stand before their Lord for judgment on the Day of Resurrection will have two gardens in the hereafter. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! These gardens will have numerous lush branches. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! In them are two flowing springs. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! In them are two kinds of every fruit. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! Its dwellers will enjoy great delight in them, reclining on couches whose inner linings will be of shiny, rich brocade. (You may then imagine what their outer layers will be!). The fruits of these two gardens will be within their reach. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! In them are maidens, refraining their eyes from seeing any besides their husbands other than whom they desire none else, and whom no human or jinn will have ever touched before their destined husbands. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! These fair maidens with fine wide black eyes will have such beauty and purity as though they were rubies and pearls! Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! Will the reward of those who do good deeds in this life be anything but to be rewarded with bliss

in the next?! Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! Below those two gardens in excellence are two other gardens. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! They will have rich, deep green foliage. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! In them are two gushing springs. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! In them are fruits, date palms and pomegranates. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! In them are sweet, lovely maidens with pleasant character. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! They will be fair with splendid black eyes and are secluded from public view in pavilions of hollow pearls. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! No human or jinn will have ever touched them before their destined husbands. Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! They will delight themselves in them, reclining on green cushions and fine rugs! Which, then, of your Lord's favors, will you, humans and jinn, ungratefully deny?! Blessed be the name of your Lord, Muhammad, the Lord of Majesty and Glory!

Quran 56: 1-26 Al-Waqi'ah Tafseer:General explanation: When the inevitable Day of Resurrection comes, no one will then deny its occurrence. It will abase some who will be cast into Hell and exalt others who will be admitted into Paradise. On that day, the earth will be violently shaken, the mountains will be dashed into pieces and reduced to particles of dust scattered about and you, people, will be sorted out into three classes: The Companions of the Right Hand (How happy the Companions of the Right Hand will be!); and the Companions of the Left Hand (How miserable the Companions of the Left Hand will be!) The third class of people, those who have preceded others in faith and righteous deeds, will be the first to enter Paradise. These will be brought nearest to Allah, and they will abide in the Gardens of Bliss. A good many of

them will be from the earlier generations but a few from the later generations. On couches woven with gold and pearls, they will be seated facing each other. Immortal, ageless youths will wait upon them, carrying goblets, ewers and cups filled with pure wine from flowing springs that never run out. It will cause them neither headaches, nor intoxication. These immortal, ageless youths will serve them fruits of their own choice and the flesh of birds of the kind which they will desire; and with them will be their companions—fair maidens with beautiful wide black eyes, as pure and lovely as virgin pearls still preserved in their shells. All this will be a reward for what they used to do in the life of the world. Neither idle talk, nor any sinful speech will they hear in these gardens, but only wholesome speech and the greetings of peace. Quran 56: 27-56 Al-Waqi'ah Tafseer: General explanation: As for the Companions of the Right Hand, how happy the Companions of the Right Hand will be! They will be amidst fruit-laden thornless lote trees, banana trees with fruits clustered together, permanent shade, constantly flowing water and abundant fruits—never out of season nor forbidden—and they will be reclining on raised couches. We have created women of Paradise of special creation: We have made them virgins, enamoured of their husbands and of equal age for the delight of the Companions of the Right Hand. A good many of this class will be from the earlier generations and a good many from the later generations. As for the Companions of the Left Hand, how miserable the Companions of the Left Hand will be! They will be amidst scorching winds and scalding water, and in the shade of pitch-black smoke that is neither cool nor pleasant to look at. They will suffer such fate because, before that in the life of the world, they were indulged in luxury, totally abandoning themselves to the pursuit of their pleasures, persisted in disbelieving in Allah and associating partners with Him and denied the resurrection, mockingly saying, 'What! When we are dead and turned to dust and bones, are we really to come forth from our graves alive again? Will our forefathers also be raised with us?' Say, Muhammad, to those who deny the resurrection, 'Both the first and the last of all

mankind will surely be gathered together to judgment at the time of on an appointed day.' Then as for you who have strayed from the path of truth and who deny the resurrection, you will surely eat of the bitter, stinking fruit of the Tree of Az-Zaqqum and will fill your bellies with it. On top of that, you will drink intensely boiling water, and you will drink it like insatiably thirsty camels drink, due to an illness that makes them always thirsty. Such food and drink will be prepared as a welcome meal for these misguided unbelievers on the Day of Resurrection.

Quran 56: 57-74 Al-Waqi'ah Tafseer: General explanation: It is We who created you the first time out of nothing. Will you not, therefore, believe that your Creator can raise you from the dead on Resurrection Day?! Just consider the seed that you emit into your wives' wombs? Do you yourselves create it or We are its Creator? We have ordained death for all of you, and nothing whatsoever can prevent Us from changing your forms and shapes or recreating you in forms and shapes totally unknown to you. You surely know how We brought you into being in the first instance. Will you not, therefore, reflect on this and realise that the One who created you out of nothing is able to bring you back to life after your death?! Just consider the seeds for which you plough the earth and then sow in the ground. Do you yourselves make the crop grow from them or do We? If We pleased, We could render that crop dry and fruitless, and you would then be left to wonder at its destruction and to lament, saying, 'We are indeed ruined. In fact, we are now deprived of our livelihoods!' Consider the fresh water which you drink: Do you yourselves bring it down as rain from the clouds, or do We? If We pleased, We could make it bitterly salty. Will you not, then, give thanks?! Consider the fire which you light: Do you yourselves produce the trees that serve as its fuel, or do We do so by Our power? We have made the fire to serve as a reminder to people of the Fire of Hell and an advantage for the traveller. Glorify, then, Muhammad, the name of your Lord, the All-Mighty, and declare Him free from all defects and imperfections. Quran 56: 75-96 Al-Waqi'ah Tafseer: General explanation: I

swear by the positions of the stars in the sky—and it is surely a mighty oath, if you but knew it—that this Noble Qur'an is of tremendous benefit and goodness and is free from all defects and imperfections. It is in a well-guarded Record which only the purified angels that are from sin can touch: It is a revelation that is sent down from the Lord of all the worlds. Would you nonetheless deny this Qur'an as a falsehood and make this return of gratitude for the provisions that Allah grants you, that you disbelieve in Him?! When the soul of a dying person comes up to his throat while you are at that moment helplessly looking at him, after he has gone into his death throes, and the angels We have appointed to take away his soul are closer to him than you although you do not see them: If you—who deny the resurrection—think that you are not subject to Our absolute power and that you are not going to be judged and repaid for your deeds, why can you not restore the dying person's soul to him, if what you claim is true?! Thus if the dying person is of those who are brought nearest to Allah, he will have rest, happiness, mercy, a good provision, sweet fragrance and a garden of bliss to enjoy its delights. If he is of the Companions of the Right Hand, he will be told, 'Peace be upon you, Companion of the Right Hand, from your brethren the Companions of the Right Hand.' But if he is of those who have denied the truth and gone astray, he will be welcomed with intensely boiling water and a blazing Fire whose heat he will have to suffer. The abovementioned reward and punishment is the absolute and certain truth. Glorify, then, Muhammad, the name of your Lord, the All-Mighty, and declare Him free from all defects and imperfections, saying, 'Subhaana Rappiyal-'Adheem' (Glory be to my Lord, the Almighty).

Quran 57: 1-6 The Iron Tafseer:General explanation: All that is in the heavens and the earth extols Allah's limitless glory and declare Him free from all defects and imperfections. He is the All-Mighty who holds absolute sway over all that exists, the All-Wise who places everything in its perfect place. To Him alone belongs the sovereignty of the heavens and the earth. He grants life and causes

death, and He has power over all things. He is the First, who has always existed before everything but without His having any beginning; the Last who will always exist after everything but without His having any end; the Outward, who is high above all His creation; and the Inward, who is the nearest to everything. He has knowledge of all things. It is He who created the heavens and the earth in six days, and established Himself upon the Throne, as befits His majesty and greatness. He knows all that goes into the earth and all that comes out from it, all that descends from the heavens and all that ascends to it. He is with you—by virtue of His absolute and all-encompassing knowledge—wherever you are, and He sees everything you do. The kingdom of the heavens and the earth belongs to Him alone, and to Him alone all matters are returned. He causes the darkness of the night to pass into the light of the day, and causes the light of the day to pass into the darkness of the night; and He has full knowledge of all people's intentions and innermost thoughts.

Quran 57: 7-11 The Iron Tafseer: General explanation: Believe in Allah and worship Him alone, and believe and follow His Messenger, Muhammad (may Allah bless him and grant him peace); and spend in the cause of Allah out of His wealth with which He has entrusted you. Those of you who believe and spend in Allah's cause will have a great reward. What is the matter with you that you do not believe in Allah, when His Messenger, Muhammad (may Allah bless him and grant him peace), is inviting you to believe in your Lord, and Allah has already made a covenant with you whereby you pledged yourselves to believe in Him, if you are true believers?! It is He who sends down the clear verses of the Qur'an to His servant, Muhammad (may Allah bless him and grant him peace), to lead you out of darkness into light. Allah is indeed All-Compassionate, All-Merciful to you. And what prevents you from giving to the cause of Allah out of what He has given you, when all that the heavens and the earth contain will finally revert to Him?! Not equal in rank are those of you, believers, who spent their wealth and fought in Allah's cause

before the victory at Makkah and those who did not do so: Those who spent their wealth and fought in Allah's cause before the victory will be higher in rank than those who spent their wealth and fought in Allah's cause after the victory at Makkah. Yet to each has Allah promised the Best Reward—Paradise. Allah is fully aware of what you do. Who is there to spend his wealth in the cause of Allah—thereby seeking Allah's good pleasure, without following up what they spend with reminders of their generosity or with injury? Allah will surely recompense those who do so many times over and will give them a rich and honorable reward. Quran 57: 12-19 The Iron Tafseer: General explanation: On the Day of Judgment, you will see the believers, men and women, with their light shining before them and on their right hands. They will be told, 'Good news for you today: Gardens beneath which rivers flow, in which you will abide for ever. That is indeed the supreme triumph.' On that day the hypocrites, men and women, will say to the believers, 'Wait for us, so that we may have some of your light.' They will be mockingly told, 'Go back to the world and seek a light for yourselves there!' Then a separating wall with a gate will be set up between them and the believers. On the inner side of the gate—the side of the believers—will be mercy, but on the outer side of it—the side of the unbelievers—will be torment. The hypocrites will call out to the believers from outside the dividing wall, saying, 'Were we not with you in the life of the world, praying and fasting together and doing exactly as you did?!' 'Yes, you were,' the believers will reply, 'but you only made an outward show of faith, and so you have now brought ruin upon yourselves. You seduced yourselves by your hypocrisy; you looked forward to the believers' ruin and doubted the truth; and your false hopes deceived you until Allah's decree of your death came to you, and the Deceiver—Satan—deceived you concerning Allah! So today no ransom with which to save yourselves from the punishment will be accepted from you, hypocrites, nor from the unbelievers. Your abode is the Fire—a terrible destination indeed! Is it not time for true believers' hearts to soften and be humbled at

the remembrance of Allah and the Qur'an that has been sent down, and not be like the Jews and Christians who were given the Scriptures before the Qur'an, whose hearts have hardened with the passage of time? Many of them are disobedient evildoers. Know that Allah brings the earth back to life with water after its death and hardness. Thus does He revive the heart after its hardness with His revelations. We have made Our signs bearing witness to Our power clear to you, so that you may understand them and pay heed. Those men and women, who give in charity and spend part of their wealth in the cause of Allah—thereby seeking Allah's good pleasure, without following up what they spend with reminders of their generosity or with injury—will be rewarded many times over for whatever they spend, and they have a rich and honourable reward. Those who believe in Allah and His messengers are the truthful. The martyrs who are killed fighting in Allah's cause will receive their reward from Allah in the hereafter, and they will have their light. As for those who deny Allah and His messengers, they will be the dwellers of Hell.

Ouran 57: 20-24 The Iron Tafseer: General explanation: Know that the life of this world is but a play and passing delight, a beautiful show, a cause of boating among you and rivalry in respect of wealth and children. It is like plants that flourish after the rain. Their growth at first pleases the unbelievers, but then these plants wither away, and you see them all turn yellow, soon becoming worthless stubble! In the life to come there will be severe punishment for the unbelievers who have been deceived by this world and have turned away from the hereafter, as well as forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure for His faithful servants. The life of this world is but a fleeting pleasure and falsehood that deceives those who trust it. Compete with one another for forgiveness from your Lord and for Paradise as vast as the heavens and the earth, prepared for those who believe in Allah and His messengers. Such is the bounty of Allah which He bestows on whomever He pleases. Allah is the Lord of infinite bounty. No misfortune can happen on earth or in your own persons but it is

recorded in the Preserved Tablet (the Book of Decrees) before We bring it into being. That is truly easy for Allah. We have informed you of this, so that you may not grieve for whatever worldly good that has escaped you, nor exult with pride over whatever worldly pleasures you have gained. Allah does not love any of those who are proud and boastful—who, being themselves stingily unwilling to give away any of what Allah has given them, urge others to be niggardly. Those who turn away from spending in the cause of Allah will by so doing not harm Allah in the least; for Allah is the Self-Sufficient, the Praiseworthy.

Quran 57: 25-29 The Iron Tafseer: General explanation: We have sent Our messengers with manifest signs and proofs, and We have sent down with them the scriptures and justice, so that people may conduct themselves with fairness. We have sent down iron, with its great might in which there is material for war and various benefits for mankind, so that Allah may show people what He already knows about them, according to his foreknowledge, who utilizes iron weapons to support His religion and His messengers without even having seen Him. Allah is All-Strong, All-Mighty: nothing whatsoever can ever frustrate His purpose, and His power can by no means be overcome or resisted. We sent forth Noah and Abraham and bestowed on their descendants prophethood and the scriptures. Some of their descendants were rightly guided, but many were rebellious transgressors who disobeyed My commands. Then, in their wake, We sent a succession of Our messengers. After these We sent Jesus, son of Mary, and We gave him the Gospel, and We placed compassion and mercy in the hearts of those who followed him. As for monastic asceticism, We did not prescribe it for them; rather, they invented it themselves, seeking thereby Allah's good pleasure; but then they did not observe it as it should have been observed; and so We granted those of them who believed their due reward, but many of them were rebellious transgressors who disobeyed My commands! Believers, fear Allah by observing what He commands and shunning what He forbids and continue to believe in His Messenger, Muhammad (may Allah

bless him and grant him peace). He will grant you two portions of His mercy, provide for you a light by which to be guided in this life and forgive you. Allah is All-Forgiving, All-Merciful. He will grant you such reward, so that the Jews and Christians may know that they have no power whatsoever over any of Allah's bounty that He wills to bestow on you, Muslims, and so that they may know that all bounty is in Allah's hands: He grants it to whomever He wills. Allah's bounty is limitless.

Quran 58: 1-7 Al-Mujadalah Tafseer:General explanation: Allah has indeed heard the words of the woman who pleads with you, Muhammad, concerning her husband who said to her, 'You are to me like my mother,' (which was a common form of divorce among Arabs before Islam), and complained to Allah about what her husband had done. Allah has indeed heard what you two said to each other. Allah hears everything and sees everything. Those of you, men, who use this form of divorce by declaring their wives to be to them like their mothers should know that their wives do not become their mothers simply by so saying. Their mothers are only those who gave them birth. By declaring their wives like their mothers, such men utter words that are both iniquitous and false. Yet surely Allah is All-pardoning, All-Forgiving. Those men who divorce their wives by declaring that they will thereafter regard them as their mothers, and afterwards intend to retract their words and resume their intimate relations with them, must free a slave before they may engage in intimate relations again. Such is your Lord's admonition to you. Allah is fully aware of everything that you do. However, those who cannot find a slave to free must observe a fast of two consecutive months before they may resume intimate relations with their wives. If they are unable to do so, then they must feed sixty needy people. This has been enjoined on you, so that you may believe in Allah and His Messenger. Such are the bounds Allah has set for you. Those who disbelieve in Allah and His Messenger will suffer an agonizing punishment. Those who defy and oppose Allah and His Messenger will be disgraced, as were those who opposed Allah and His messengers before them

disgraced. We have sent down clear verses in this Qur'an. A humiliating punishment awaits the unbelievers on the Day of Judgment when Allah will raise them all from the dead and inform them of what they have done in this life. Allah has kept count of their deeds though they have forgotten them. Allah is witness over all things. Do you not perceive, Muhammad, that Allah knows all that is in the heavens and the earth? No three people confer secretly without Him being their fourth, seeing and hearing them by virtue of His all-encompassing knowledge; if five, He is their sixth, seeing and hearing them by virtue of His all-encompassing knowledge; whether fewer or more, He is with them, seeing and hearing them by virtue of His all-encompassing knowledge, wherever they may be. Then, on Resurrection Day, He will inform them of all the deeds they have done in this life. Allah has knowledge of all things.

Quran 58: 8-13 Al-Mujadalah Tafseer: General explanation: Have you not seen, Muhammad, those who, though forbidden to confer secretly among themselves with wickedness, persistently do what they were forbidden to do and continue to confer together secretly to commit sins and transgressions and to show disobedience to you? When they come to you, they do not salute you with the greeting of peace with which Allah salutes you, and secretly say, 'Why does Allah not hasten to punish us in this life for what we say to Muhammad?' Sufficient for them will be Hell, which they will enter to suffer its punishment—an evil destination indeed! Believers, when you confer together secretly, do not do so to commit sins and transgressions and to show disobedience to the Messenger; rather, confer privately to work righteousness, to do what Allah commands and to avoid what He forbids; and fear Allah, before whom you will all be gathered together. Holding secret counsels with evil intentions is the work of Satan, who only seeks thereby to fill the believers' hearts with grief and distress. Yet he cannot harm them in the least except by Allah's will. The true believers must put their trust in none but Allah alone. Believers, when you are told to make room for others to sit in your

gatherings, then do so: Allah will make room for you in His grace both in this life and in the next. If you are told to rise up and give up your seats for whatever good reason, then do so: Allah will raise the true believers among you and those endowed with religious knowledge which they translate into practice to superior degrees of honor. Allah is fully aware of all that your do. Believers, when you intend to speak to Allah's Messenger in private, give something in charity to the needy before you engage in such private conversation. Doing so is better for you and purer. If you are unable to so, never mind; for Allah is All-Forgiving, All-Merciful. Do you fear poverty if you give something in charity to the needy before conferring privately with the Messenger? Since you are unable to do so, and Allah graciously waives such requirement in the future, establish the prayer, pay zakat and show obedience to Allah and His Messenger. Allah is well aware of all your actions, and He will repay you according to them. Quran 58: 14-22 Al-Mujadalah Tafseer: General explanation: Have you not seen, Muhammad, the hypocrites that ally themselves with the Jews who have incurred Allah's wrath because of their unbelief and wicked deeds? They belong neither to your religion, nor to theirs. They falsely swear to you, and they know they are lying. Allah has prepared a terrible punishment for these hypocrites because of the evil deed they have done. They falsely swear to the believers as a means of protecting themselves so that their hypocrisy may not be exposed, and so they turn others away from Allah's true religion. They will, therefore, suffer a humiliating punishment. Neither their wealth nor their children will be of the least avail to them against Allah's punishment. They will be the dwellers of the Fire, in which they will abide for all eternity. On the day Allah raises them all to life, they will falsely swear to Him that they are rightly guided believers just as they used to swear falsely to you in the life of the world, thinking that their false oaths before Allah will help them. Surely the hypocrites are total liars. Satan has gained mastery over them and thus caused them to forget the remembrance of Allah. They are the Party of

Satan—his followers and soldiers. It is the followers and soldiers of Satan who will truly be the losers. Those who oppose Allah and His Messenger will be amongst the most humiliated. Allah has decreed that He and His messengers will surely triumph and prevail in this life and the next. Allah is All-Strong, All-Mighty. You will never find, Muhammad, a people who truly believe in Allah and in the Last Day (Judgment Day) love and ally themselves with those who oppose Allah and His Messenger and transgress their limits, even if they were their very parents, their children, their siblings or their close relatives. In the hearts of these has Allah firmly established faith, and He has strengthened them with revelation, light and true guidance. He will, in the life to come, admit them into gardens below which rivers flow, in which they will abide for ever. Allah is well pleased with them, and they are well pleased with Him. They are the party of Allah, who staunchly support His religion. It is those belonging to Allah's party who will truly be the successful.

Quran 59: 1-7 The Mobilization (Al-Hashr) Tafseer:General explanation: Whatever is in the heavens and the earth extols Allah's limitless glory and declares Him free from all defects and imperfections. He is the All-Mighty; who holds absolute sway over all that exists; the All-Wise, who places everything in its perfect place. It is He alone who drove the Jews of Banu An-Nadheer out of their homes at the first gathering and expulsion of the Jews from Madeenah. You, Prophet's Companions, never imagined they would ever leave their homes due to their strength, and they thought that their fortresses would protect them against Allah's might. Nonetheless, the punishment of Allah came upon them from where they had not expected, and He cast terror into their hearts. Thus, they destroyed their homes with their own hands from the inside (so that the Muslims would make the less advantage of what they had to leave behind them), and they themselves left the believers with no choice but to take part in destroying their homes from the outside. Learn from their example, you who are endowed with insight and good sense. Had Allah not decreed banishment

for the Jews of Banu An-Nadheer, He would have punished them in some way or another in this world in addition to the torment of the Fire they will suffer in the world to come. That is because they have opposed and defied Allah and His Messenger. Those who defy and set themselves against Allah will be severely punished by Allah for so doing. Allah is severe in retribution. Whatever palm trees you, Muslims, cut down or spared, leaving them standing on their roots, during the siege of the Jews of Banu An-Nadheer, were so cut down or spared by Allah's will (no blame attaches to you for so doing), so that He might disgrace the rebellious transgressions who disobey Him. Whatever gains were taken from the Jews of Banu An-Nadheer Allah has rightfully turned over to His Messenger (to dispose of as he deems appropriate); you Muslims, did not have to spur either horse or riding-camel or suffer any hardship whatsoever to secure them, due to the close proximity of Banu An-Nadheer' quarters: Allah gave His Messenger authority over them. Allah has power over all things, Whatever gains that Allah turns over to His Messenger from the unbelieving people of other lands without warfare belong to Allah, to dispense with as He wills, and to the Messenger, the Messenger, his close relatives, the orphans, the needy and the stranded travellers who cannot afford travel expenses to return to their homelands. It has been so ordained that such wealth should not circulate only between the rich among you, to the exclusion of the poor. Whatever the Messenger gives you, take it; and whatever he forbids you, abstain from it. Be mindful of Allah by doing what He commands and shunning what He forbids; for Allah is severe in retribution. Quran 59: 8-13 The Mobilization (Al-Hashr) Tafseer: General explanation: A share of such gains also belongs to the poor among the Prophet's Companions who emigrated from Makkah to Madeenah (the Emigrants), having been driven from their homes and their possessions by the Quraysh idolaters, seeking bounty from Allah and His good pleasure, and striving hard with their possessions and their lives for Allah's cause and to support His Messenger. These are they who are true to their faith. The Ansaar

(the Helpers) from among the Prophet's Companions, who lived in Madeenah (the Messenger's City) and believed in Allah and His Messenger before the Emigrants came to them, love the Emigrants who have sought refuge with them, and entertain no feelings of envy in their hearts for whatever share of the spoils Allah and His Messenger have assigned to the Emigrants, without having a share themselves. They give the Emigrants preference over themselves by granting them whatever property or food they may have, even though they may be in need themselves. Those whom Allah protects against their greedy desire to amass wealth are truly successful. The believers who come after the Emigrants (the Ansaar) and the Helpers (the Muhaajiroon) and follow in their footsteps pray, 'Forgive us, Lord, and forgive our brethren in faith who embraced the faith before us. Leave no hatred, envy or rancour in our hearts towards the faithful. Lord, You are the All-Gentle, the All-Merciful. Have you not seen, Muhammad, the hypocrites who say to their fellow unbelievers among the Jews of Banu An-Nadheer, 'If Muslims drive you out of your homes, we will go forth with you out of Madeenah, and we will never obey Muhammad concerning you, or anyone for that matter, who asks us to let you down; If Muhammad and those with him fight against you, we will certainly support you against your enemies'? Allah bears witness that they are truly liars! If the Jews of Banu An-Nadheer are driven out, these hypocrites will not go forth with them; and if they are fought against, they will not assist them in any way. Indeed, even if they did come to their assistance, they would surely turn tail and flee in utter defeat; then they would not be helped. Their dread of you, believers, is more intense in their hearts than their fear of Allah. That is because they are not aware of Allah's greatness and His perfect power.

Quran 59: 14-21 The Mobilization (Al-Hashr) Tafseer: General explanation: The Jews will never fight you, Muslims, in a body except from within fortified cities and from behind walls. Their enmity among themselves is very great indeed; you think them to be united, but their hearts are divided. That is because they are a

people who have no sense! The Jews of Banu An-Nadheer are just like those before them—the Jews of Banu Quraydhah and the Quraysh unbelievers—shortly before the expulsion of the Banu An-Nadheer Jews. They suffered punishment for their unbelief in this life, and a grievous punishment awaits them in the next. Those hypocrites—who let the Jews of Banu An-Nadheer down after having promised to go forth with them if they were expelled and to aid them if they were fought against—are just like Satan, who says to man, 'Disbelieve in Allah.' Then as soon as he does so, Satan disowns him and lets him down, saying, 'I fear Allah, the Lord of all the worlds!' Consequently, they will both end up in the Fire, in which they will abide for ever. Thus will the wrongdoers be repaid. Believers, fear Allah by doing what He commands and avoiding what He forbids. Let every person consider whatever deeds he has sent forth for the hereafter. Fear Allah; for Allah is fully aware of everything that you do. Do not be like those who have forgotten Allah by neglecting to remember him and obey His commands, and, as punishment, He has made them forget themselves. These are the rebellious transgressors. Not equal are the dwellers of the Fire and the dwellers of Paradise. It is the dwellers of Paradise who will be successful. Had We sent down this Qur'an upon a mountain, you would have seen it humbling itself and breaking asunder out of great fear of Allah. We set forth such parables to people, so that they may reflect on them.

Quran 59: 20- 24 The Mobilization (Al-Hashr) Tafseer: General explanation: Not equal are the dwellers of the Fire and the dwellers of Paradise. It is the dwellers of Paradise who will be successful. Had We sent down this Qur'an upon a mountain, you would have seen it humbling itself and breaking asunder out of great fear of Allah. We set forth such parables to people, so that they may reflect on them. He is Allah, besides whom there is no other deity worthy of worship. He knows the unseen and the visible. He is the All-Compassionate, the All-Merciful. He is Allah, besides whom there is no other deity worthy of worship. He is the True Sovereign; the Holy, who is free from all defects and imperfections; the All-

Perfect and Flawless, who is free from all harm and evil; the Giver of peace and security; the Witness and Guardian who watches over all His creation; the All-Mighty, whose strength is overwhelming and cannot be overcome or resisted; the All-Powerful and Irresistible; the Supremely Great! Free is Allah from all defects and imperfections and far exalted is He above having any partners as the idolaters falsely claim! He is Allah, who alone is worthy of worship, the Creator of all creation; the Originator, who originates the creation out of nothing; the Fashioner, who creates and fashions His creation in whatever form He wills. To Him alone belong the Most Beautiful Names. All that is in the heavens and the earth extols His limitless glory and declares Him free from all defects and imperfections. He is the All-Mighty, who holds absolute sway over all that exists; the All-Wise, who places everything in its perfect place.

Quran 60: 1-6 Test of the believing woman (Al-Mumtahenah) Tafseer:General explanation: Believers! Do not take My enemies and yours for supporters and trusted allies, showing them love and affection when they have rejected the truth that has come to you and have already driven Allah's Messenger and yourselves out of your homes merely because you believe in Allah, your Lord. If you have emigrated and left your homes to strive in My cause and to seek My good pleasure, then do not take them for supporters and trusted allies. You show them love and affection by offering them advice in secret, when I know very well all that you conceal and all that you reveal! Whoever of you does this has truly strayed from the right path If they gain the upper hand over you, they will openly show their enmity towards you and stretch out their hands and tongues to you with evil. They already wish you would disbelieve in your Lord. Do not let your relatives and children make you disobey Allah for their sake, for they will not avail you on the Day of Resurrection, on which Allah will decide between you and them—admitting the believers into Paradise and casting the unbelievers and the disobedient into Hell. Allah sees all your actions. You, believers, have a good example in Abraham and the

believers with him, when they said to their idolatrous people, 'We disown you and what you worship besides Allah. We renounce you, and the enmity and hate that has arisen between us and you will last until you believe in Allah alone.' The only exception was Abraham's saying to his idolatrous father, 'I will pray for forgiveness for you.' Do not emulate the words of Abraham to his father, for no one must pray for forgiveness for the idolaters who associate partners with Allah even if they are their very relatives. [Abraham prayed for forgiveness for him only because he had promised him to do so. When, however, it became clear to Abraham, that his father was an enemy of Allah, he renounced him and refrained from praying for his forgiveness] Abraham then said to his father, 'I can in no way protect you against Allah's punishment if you persist in associating partners with Allah.' Having renounced and left their idolatrous people, Abraham and the believers with him beseeched Allah, saying, 'Lord, in You alone do we place our trust, to You alone do we tum in repentance, and to You is our return in the hereafter. Lord, do not make the unbelievers prevail over us lest they should subject us to persecution and turn us away from the truth we have embraced, and lest they think that they are following the truth and we are following falsehood, which will make them even more stubborn in their unbelief and arrogance. Forgive us our sins, Lord. You are the All-Mighty; who holds absolute sway over all that exists; the All-Wise, who places everything in its perfect place.' Surely in Abraham and the believers who were with him, you, believers, have a good example for whoever hopes to attain Allah's good pleasure and to be saved from His punishment. Whoever turns away from obeying Allah and following in the example of His messengers will harm none but himself and will not harm Allah in the least; for Allah is the Self-Sufficient, the Praiseworthy in His Being, names, and attributes.

Quran 60: 7-11 Test of the believing woman (Al-Mumtahenah) Tafseer:General explanation: In time, Allah will establish good will between you and the idolaters who are now your enemies,

despite all the enmity and hatred that obtains between you and them. Allah has absolute power over all things. Allah is All-Forgiving, All-Merciful. Allah does not forbid you, believers, to deal with kindness and fairness with those unbelievers who have not fought against you on account of your religion or driven you forth from your homes. Allah loves those who act with kindness. Allah only forbids you to support and take for allies those warring unbelievers who have fought against you on account of your religion, driven you forth from your homes and assisted others in driving you out. Those who take the unbelievers for allies, loving and supporting them, are wrongdoers. Believers, when believing women leave their unbelieving husbands and come to you as migrants, submit them to a test. Allah knows best about their faith. Then if you have ascertained that they are true believers, do not return them to the unbelievers; for the believing women are not lawful wives for the unbelieving men, nor are the unbelieving men lawful husbands for the believing women. Nevertheless, repay their unbelieving husbands whatever dowries they have paid them. You will incur no sin whatsoever if you, believing men, marry the believing women who come to you as migrants after giving them their dowries. Do not maintain your marriages, believers, with idolatrous, unbelieving women. Demand repayment of whatever dowries you have paid the unbelieving wives you divorce, and let the idolaters demand repayment of whatever dowries they have paid to the women who have embraced Islam and come to you as migrants. This is the judgment of Allah whereby He judges between you and the unbelievers. Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. Should any of your wives, believers, desert you and go over to the unbelievers without repaying you the dowries you have given them, and you subsequently gain victory over them, then pay the believers whose wives have deserted them the equivalent of the dowries they have given them from whatever spoils you take from them; and fear Allah, in whom you believe. Quran 60: 12-13 Test of the believing woman (Al-Mumtahenah) Tafseer:General explanation: Prophet, if believing women come to you and pledge

themselves not to worship anyone but Allah, nor steal, nor commit adultery, nor kill their children for fear of poverty or otherwise, nor falsely attribute illegitimate children to their husbands, nor disobey you, Muhammad, in whatever you command them to do or desist from doing, then accept their pledge as long as they have solemnly promised to observe its terms; and pray to Allah to forgive them. Allah is All-Forgiving, All-Merciful. Believers, do not take for supporters and trusted allies the unbelievers who have incurred Allah's wrath because of their unbelief. They have despaired of Allah's reward and mercy in the life to come just as the dead unbelievers buried in their graves have despaired of Allah's reward and mercy.

Ouran 61: 1-9 The Coulum (As-Saff) Tafseer:General explanation: Whatever is in the heavens and the earth extols Allah's limitless glory and declares Him free from all defects and imperfections. He is the All-Mighty; who holds absolute sway over all that exists; the All-Wise, who places everything in its perfect place. Believers, why do you say what you do not do? Greatly loathsome is it in the sight of Allah that you say what you do not do! Allah loves those who fight for His religion to make it reign supreme in solid battle ranks as though they were a firm and compact edifice. Mention to your people, Muhammad, the time when Moses said to his people, 'Why do you seek to harm me, my people, when you know that I am the Messenger of Allah to you?' So when they obstinately deviated from the truth, Allah made their hearts deviate from true guidance. Allah does not guide the rebellious transgressors who persistently disobey Him. Also mention to them the time when Jesus son of Mary said to the Israelites, 'Children of Israel, I am the Messenger of Allah to you. He has sent me to confirm the Torah that was revealed to Moses before me, and to give you the good news of messenger after me whose name will be Ahmad.' Yet when he brought them miracles testifying to the truth, the unbelievers said, 'What he has brought us is nothing but manifest sorcery. Who could do more wrong than someone who forges lies against Allah when invited to embrace

Islam?! Allah does not guide those who wrong themselves. These unbelievers only seek to refute the truth that has come to them through the lies they utter, but Allah will perfect the truth, however hateful this may be to the unbelievers. It is Allah who has sent His Messenger, Muhammad, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, with beneficial knowledge and the religion of Islam to exalt it above all other religions, however hateful this may be to those who associate partners with Him.

Quran 61: 10-14 The Coulum (As-Saff) Tafseer: General explanation: Believers! Shall I direct you a highly profitable transaction that will save you from a painful punishment? It is to believe in Allah and His Messenger, Muhammad (may Allah bless him and grant him peace), and fight against His enemies with your wealth and with your persons to make His religion reign supreme. That would be best for you, if you but knew it. If you do so, Allah will forgive you your sins and admit you into Gardens beneath which rivers flow, and fine palaces in gardens of perpetual abode. Such reward is indeed the greatest success. He will also grant you another thing that you dearly love: help from Allah and a speedy victory. Proclaim the good news of such great reward, Muhammad, to the faithful. Believers, be Allah's helpers by supporting His religion, just as did the disciples—dedicated followers and staunch supporters—of Jesus son of Mary, when he said to them, 'Who will assist me to invite people to Allah's religion and help me establish it and support it?' The disciples replied, 'We will assist you establish Allah's religion, with which Allah has sent you.' Some among the Children of Israel believed Jesus's prophethood, while some others ejected him. We then strengthened and supported the believers amongst them against their enemies, and they became victorious.

Quran 62: 1-8 Friday Tafseer:General explanation: Whatever is in the heavens and the earth extols Allah's limitless glory and declares Him free from all defects and imperfections. He is the True Sovereign, the All-Pure and the All-Perfect; the All-Mighty, who holds absolute sway over all that exists; the All-Wise, who

places everything in its perfect place. It is He who has raised up amidst the Arabs an unlettered messenger from amongst themselves to recite to them the verses of the Qur'an, to purify them from evil, corrupt manners and deviant beliefs and to teach them the Holy Qur'an and the Sunnah (the Prophet's practice), for indeed they have been before his advent clearly far astray from the truth. He has also sent His Messenger to others—both illiterate and literate, Arabs and non-Arabs alike—yet to come after them. He is the All-Mighty, who holds absolute sway over all that exists; the All-Wise, who places everything in its perfect place. Such is Allah's grace, which He bestows on whomever He pleases of His servants. Allah is the Lord of mighty grace. The Jewish scholars whom Allah charged to observe the Torah and did not observe it are like a donkey carrying on its back books whose contents it does not comprehend. Evil indeed is this example of people who reject Allah's signs; Allah does not guide those who wrong themselves through their unbelief and rejection of the truth. Say to the Jews, Muhammad, 'You who follow the Jewish faith, if you truly claim to be the chosen and beloved people of God to the exclusion of all other people, then wish for death to rid yourselves of the difficulties of this worldly life and be moved to Paradise and its bliss!' The Jews, however, will never wish for death by reason of the acts of unbelief they have committed in this life. Allah is well aware of the wrongdoers. Say to them, 'Death from which you run away will certainly overtake you. Then you will be returned after your death to Allah, who knows the unseen and the visible; and He will inform you of what you have done in this worldly life and repay you according to your actions.

Quran 63: 1-6 The Hypocrites Tafseer:General explanation: When the hypocrites—secret unbelievers who make an outward profession of faith—come to you, Muhammad, they lie to you, saying, 'We bear witness that you are indeed the Messenger of Allah.' Allah knows that you are truly His Messenger and He bears witness that the hypocrites are truly liars. They have taken their false oaths as a shield to be spared death because of their unbelief,

and thus they turn others away from the way of Allah. Evil indeed is what they do. That is because they first believed and then renounced their faith; therefore, a seal has been set on their hearts, thus becoming devoid of understanding and right guidance. When you see these hypocrites, Muhammad, their impressive outward appearance pleases you; and when they speak, you listen to their speech with delight because of their eloquence. When they are seated in your gatherings, they do not understand anything: They are as though they were useless blocks of wood propped up against a wall. They imagine that every shout is directed against them. The hypocrites are the real enemies of Muslims; therefore, beware of them, Muhammad, for they pose greater danger to you than the unbelievers who openly declare their enmity towards you. Allah has excluded them from His mercy and disgraced them. How can they turn away from the truth despite its clear proofs?! When it is said to them, 'Turn to Allah and repent of your hypocrisy, and come to the Messenger of Allah so that he may ask forgiveness for you,' they turn away their heads by way of refusal and out of contempt and pride. It is the same whether or not you pray for their forgiveness, Muhammad, Allah will by no means forgive them; for Allah does not guide the rebellious transgressors who disobey His commands.

Quran 63: 7-11 The Hypocrites Tafseer:General explanation: It is the hypocrites who say, 'Do not spend anything on the Companions of Allah's Messenger from among the poor Emigrants so that they may desert him.' However, the treasures of the heavens and the earth belong to Allah alone, but the hypocrites do not know that. They say, 'When we return to Madeenah from Banu Al-Mustaliq Expedition, the more honorable will surely drive out the meaner from it.' They are totally wrong, for all honor belongs to Allah, His Messenger and the true believers, but the hypocrites do not know that, thinking that honor belongs to them! Believers! Do not let your riches or your children divert you from the remembrance of Allah. Those who do so will surely be the true losers. Spend in charity out of the wealth We have provided for

you, believers, before death comes to one of you, and then he says, when he is in the throes of death, 'My Lord, if You would grant me a delay for a short while, I would give in charity and be one of the righteous.' But Allah does not grant a delay to anyone when his appointed time of death comes. Allah is fully aware of everything that you do.

Quran 64: 1-8 The great loss day (At-Taghabun) Tafseer: General explanation: That every person has a place in Paradise and a place in Hell, so if the people of Hell enter Hell, their places will remain empty in Paradise, and if the people of Paradise enter Paradise, their places will remain empty in Hell. And so the homes of the people of Paradise in Hell for the people of Hell, and the homes of the people of Hell in Paradise for the people of Paradise, inheriting them from them. They inherited the places of others who went to the fire." That is why it was called the Day of Taghabun, Whatever is in the heavens and the earth extols Allah's limitless glory and declares Him free from all defects and imperfections. Everything in the heavens and the earth belongs to Him; all sovereignty is His and all praise is due to Him, and He has power over all things. It is He who has created you out of nothing, mankind, yet some of you are unbelievers, while some others are believers. Allah sees everything that you do. He has created the heavens and the earth with the truth and for a purpose, and He has fashioned you and given you beautiful forms; and to Him will you all be returned. He knows what is in the heavens and the earth, and He knows all the words and deeds that you conceal and reveal. Allah has full knowledge of all people's innermost thoughts and the secret intentions of their hearts. Have the stories of the unbelievers from the past nations before you not reached you, idolaters? They tasted the evil consequences of their unbelief: Allah destroyed them in this life, and a painful punishment is yet in store for them in the next. This they suffered because their messengers brought them evident proofs of their truthfulness, but they denied them, saying, 'What! Will human beings like ourselves guide us to the right way?!' Thus they disbelieved and turned away from the truth, but

Allah was in no need of them and their faith. Indeed, Allah is Self-Sufficient and ever to be praised with regard to His words, deeds and attributes. He also praises those who are deserving of praise from among His servants. The unbelievers falsely claim that Allah will not raise them to life! Say to them, Muhammad, 'Yes, indeed! I swear by my Lord that you will certainly be raised from the dead, and you will certainly be informed of all the deeds you have done. That is easy for Allah.' Believe, then, all mankind, in Allah and His Messenger, and in the Qur'an which We have revealed. Allah is fully aware of all your actions, and He will repay you according to them.

Quran 64: 9-13 The great loss day (At-Taghabun) Tafseer:General explanation: That every person has a place in Paradise and a place in Hell, so if the people of Hell enter Hell, their places will remain empty in Paradise, and if the people of Paradise enter Paradise, their places will remain empty in Hell. And so the homes of the people of Paradise in Hell for the people of Hell, and the homes of the people of Hell in Paradise for the people of Paradise, inheriting them from them. They inherited the places of others who went to the fire." That is why it was called the Day of Taghabun, Beware of the day when He will gather you all for the Day of Gathering (Judgment Day)—that will be a Day of Loss and Gain (Loss for the unbelievers who will be cast into Hell, and gain for the believers who will be admitted into Paradise, with the unbelievers feeling they are disillusioned when they realise that by the believers will have taken their places in Paradise, which would have been theirs had they been true believers). For those who believe in Allah and obey His commands, Allah will efface their bad deeds and admit them into Gardens underneath which rivers flow, where they will abide for ever. That is the greatest success. As for those who disbelieve in Allah and deny His signs bearing witness to His power and oneness, they will be the dwellers if the Fire, where they will abide for ever—a terrible destination indeed! No calamity can ever befall anyone except by Allah's decree and will. Allah will surely guide the heart of

whoever believes in Him and firmly believes that calamities happen only by His decree and will. Allah has full knowledge of all things. Obey Allah and obey His Messenger, mankind. If you turn away, then bear in mind that Our Messenger's duty is only to convey the message clearly, with which evidence will be established against you if you then choose unbelief. Allah alone is worthy of worship, and in Allah alone should the faithful put their trust.

Quran 64: 14-18 The great loss day (At-Taghabun) Tafseer:General explanation: That every person has a place in Paradise and a place in Hell, so if the people of Hell enter Hell, their places will remain empty in Paradise, and if the people of Paradise enter Paradise, their places will remain empty in Hell. And so the homes of the people of Paradise in Hell for the people of Hell, and the homes of the people of Hell in Paradise for the people of Paradise, inheriting them from them. They inherited the places of others who went to the fire." That is why it was called the Day of Taghabun, Believers, some of your spouses and children are enemies to you, for they may discourage you from obeying Allah or make you disobey Him; therefore, beware lest they make you neglect to do good deeds. Yet if you overlook their faults, pardon and forgive them, Allah will surely reward you; for Allah is All-Forgiving, All-Merciful. Your wealth and children are only a test, and Allah has a great reward for those who are not distracted by their spouses and children from obeying Him. Therefore, fear Allah, believers, by doing what He commands and avoiding what He forbids as much as you can; listen to what Allah and His Messenger command you to do and obey them, and spend in charity, both obligatory and recommended. That will be best for you in this life and the next. Those whom Allah protects against their greedy desire to amass wealth are truly successful. If you spend out of your lawful wealth in the cause of Allah—thereby anticipating reward from your Lord, without following up what you spend with reminders of your generosity or with injury—Allah will surely multiply your rewards and forgive you your sins. Allah

is All-Appreciative: He accepts His servants' good deeds and multiplies their reward for them manifold times; All-Clement: He does not hasten to punish them for their sins. He has knowledge of the unseen and the visible: nothing whatsoever escapes from His knowledge. He is the All-Mighty, who holds absolute sway over all that exists; the All-Wise, who places everything in its perfect. Quran 65: 1-5 The Divorce Tafseer: General explanation: Prophet, if you or any of the male believers intend to divorce your wives, divorce them considering their prescribed waiting period ('iddah)—that is, when they are in a period of cleanliness from menstruation during which no intimate relations have taken place. Calculate their waiting period accurately, and fear Allah, your Lord. Do not drive women you have revocably divorced out of their homes, nor should they themselves leave, unless they become openly guilty of immoral conduct (such as adultery). These judgments constitute the limits set by Allah; do not, therefore, transgress them. Whoever transgresses Allah's limits has truly wronged himself. You never know, for it may well be that, after such separation, Allah may bring about something beneficial for them and make them achieve reconciliation. When women who have been revocably divorced are about to reach the end of their waiting period, either take them back if you so wish in an honorable and fair manner or part with them in an honorable and fair manner. Call to witness two men from among Muslims who are known for their probity to witness your decision of taking your wives back. Let the witnesses give evidence according to the facts for the sake of Allah if they are asked to bear testimony. Thus is admonished everyone who believes in Allah and the Last Day (Judgment Day). For everyone who fears Allah by doing what He commands and avoiding what He forbids, Allah will make a way out of every difficulty and tight situation, and will provide for him from where he does not expect. Allah will be sufficient for everyone who puts his trust in Him and will relieve his troubles. Allah will surely accomplish His purpose. Allah has set a specific term and measure for everything. If you are in doubt concerning

the waiting period of those of your wives who are past the age of menstruation, know that their waiting period is three months. This also applies to those who have not yet menstruated due to their young age or otherwise. As for pregnant women, their waiting period ends when they give birth. For everyone who fears Allah by doing what He commands and avoiding what He forbids, Allah will make all his affairs easy for him. What Allah has thus explained to you is His commandment, which He has revealed to you, so that you may observe it. For everyone who fears Allah by doing what He commands and avoiding what He forbids, Allah will erase his sins and increase the reward for his deeds. Ouran 65: 6-12 The Divorce Tafseer: General explanation: Let your revocably divorced wives dwell where you yourselves dwell, according to your means, until the end of their waiting period; and do not harass them so as to make life a misery, leaving them with no choice but to leave your homes. If they are pregnant, maintain them until they give birth, which is the end of their waiting period; and if, after that, they breastfeed your child for you, give them their pay and consult together honorably and in a fair manner concerning your baby, ensuring what is best for it. But if you both find it difficult to reach an agreement regarding the breastfeeding of the baby, let the father find and hire another woman to nurse his child for him. The rich husband should spend generously on his divorced wife and infant, and the poor man whose provisions are restricted should spend out of what Allah has given him, according to his means. Allah does not burden any person beyond what He has given him, only according to his circumstances of being wealthy or poor. Allah will certainly bring about ease and plenty after hardship and scarcity. Many were those past communities who rebelled against the commandments of Allah and His messengers, and so He called them to a severe account and inflicted a terrible punishment on them. Thus they tasted the evil consequences of their misdeeds, and their end was utter loss. Allah has prepared a severe punishment for them in the life to come; therefore, fear Allah and beware of His wrath and punishment, you who are endowed with good sense and have believed. Allah has now sent down to you, believers, the Great Qur'an and has sent forth His Messenger, Muhammad, reciting to you the verses of the Our'an which make right guidance and the truth abundantly clear, so that He may lead the faithful who do good deeds from darkness into light. Allah will admit those who believe in Him and do good deeds into gardens beneath which rivers flow, where they will abide for ever. Allah will have granted them a most excellent provision of food and drink, and the all sorts of delightful provisions He will grant His righteous servants in it. It is Allah alone who has created seven heavens one above another, and earths as many: seven earths one above another. His command descends through the heavens and the earths, and He has informed you of this, so that you may know full well that Allah has perfect power over all things, and that He has perfect knowledge of all things.

Quran 66: 1-5 The Prohibition Tafseer: General explanation: Prophet, why do you forbid yourself what Allah has made lawful for you, thereby seeking to please some of your wives? Allah is All-Forgiving, All-Merciful. Allah has prescribed for you, believers, a way to absolve yourselves from your oaths through expiation. Allah is your Guardian and Protector, and He is the All-Knowing, the All-Wise. Remember when the Prophet told something in confidence to his wife Hafsah. When she disclosed it to 'Aa'ishah—and Allah informed him of this—he reproachfully informed Hafsah of one part of the secret she had divulged and graciously said nothing about the other. When the Prophet thus let Hafsah know of her disclosing his secret to 'Aa'ishah, Hafsah asked, 'Who has told you this?!' He replied, 'The All-Knowing, the All-Wise God has informed me of it all.' If you two, Hafshah and 'Aa'ishah, turn to Allah in repentance, this will be better for you as you have done something that necessitates repentance, for your hearts have swerved from showing due respect to the Prophet; but if you join forces to hurt him, know that Allah will support him against you, and so will Gabriel, and the righteous among the

faithful (such as Abu Bakr and 'Umar). The angels, too, are his helpers. Were he to divorce you, his Lord will certainly give him in your place better wives than yourselves, submissive to Allah, true believers, obedient to Allah, penitent and given to worship and fasting—both previously married and virgins.

Quran 66: 6-12 The Prohibition Tafseer: General explanation: Believers, guard yourselves—by acquiring beneficial knowledge and doing good deeds—and your families—by teaching them and giving them good counsel—against a Fire whose fuel is people and stones, over which are appointed stern and mighty angels who never disobey Allah's commands but do as they are commanded. Disbelievers, make no excuses for yourselves today (the Day of Judgment). You are only repaid according to the deeds you used to do in the life of the world. Believers, turn to Allah in sincere repentance. Your Lord will pardon you your sins and admit you into Gardens under which rivers flow, on the day when Allah will not disgrace the Prophet and those who believe with him. Their light will, on Resurrection Day, run before them and on their right. 'Lord,' they will pray, 'perfect our light for us, forgive us our sins and save us from their evil. You have power over all things.' Prophet, strive hard against the unbelievers and the hypocrites, and be firm with them in word and deed. Hell will be their home in the hereafter—an evil destination indeed! Allah has given examples of unbelievers: the wife of Noah and the wife of Lot. They were married to two of Allah's righteous servants but betrayed them by rejecting their message. Their husbands could in no way protect them against Allah's punishment, and they were told, 'Enter both of you the Fire with all those who enter it.' Allah has also given examples of believers: Pharaoh's wife, who prayed, 'My Lord, build for me, near You, a house in Paradise; save me from Pharaoh and his tyranny and unbelief and deliver me from Pharaoh's unbelieving people.' And Mary, the daughter of 'Imran, who guarded her chastity, so Gabriel breathed into the opening of her outer garment by Our command, and his breath reached her womb, causing her to conceive her son, Jesus. She believed in her Lord's

words and in His revealed books, and she was of those wo diligently obeyed Allah's commands.

Quran 67: 1-11 The Sovereignty Tafseer:General explanation: Blessed is Allah in whose hand all dominion rests and who has power over all things. It is He who has created death and life so that He may test you, people, and prove those of you who, according to His foreknowledge, are best in deeds. He is the All-Mighty, the All-Forgiving. It is He who has created seven heavens, one above the other. You will never see any flaws or imperfections whatsoever in the creation of the heavens which the All Compassionate God has so perfectly created. Look up towards the sky: can you detect a single flaw? Then look again and again: your sight will in the end return to you utterly frustrated and fatigued, having perceived no incongruity whatsoever! We have adorned the lowest heaven nearest to the earth with shining stars, and made them as missiles with which to pelt the devils that attempt to eavesdrop on the highest assembly of the angels; and We have prepared for them the punishment of the intensely burning Fire in the life to come. Those who disbelieve in their Lord will suffer the punishment of Hell in the hereafter—an evil destination indeed! When the unbelievers are thrown into it, they will hear it terribly roaring as it boils due to its intense flames, almost bursting apart with rage at its dwellers! Every time a group of unbelievers is cast into it, its keepers will reproachfully ask them, 'Did a warner not come to warn you against Allah's punishment?' 'Yes,' they will reply, 'a warner did come to us, but we disbelieved and said, "Allah has revealed nothing at all. You have strayed far away from the truth!" The unbelievers will regretfully say, 'Had we listened and used our intellect, we would not have been today among those who will dwell in Hell for ever.' Thus will they confess their sins, but far removed will they be from Allah's mercy!

Quran 67: 12-22 The Sovereignty Tafseer: General explanation: Those who fear their Lord although they have never seen Him and

obey Him when they are alone, unseen by any human eye, will receive forgiveness and a rich reward. It makes no difference to Allah whether you, mankind, speak in private or aloud, for He knows your innermost secrets of your hearts. How could He who has created all creation not know His own creation? How could He not know it when He is fully aware of the finest mysteries of everything and the innermost thoughts, and nothing whatsoever is hidden from Him?! It is He who has smoothed out the earth for you and made it easy for you to live upon. Go about, then, in its tracts and regions and eat of His provisions. To Him alone will you all be returned after death and be gathered before Him on Resurrection Day. Do you, Quraysh unbelievers, feel secure that Allah, who is high above His heavens, will not cause the earth to swallow you up as punishment for your unbelief when it quakes violently? Or do you feel secure that Allah, who is high above the heavens, will not let loose against you a rain of stones? You will surely learn then what My warning was like and realise the dire consequences those who deny it will suffer?! The unbelievers before you, Quraysh unbelievers, likewise denied their messengers. How terrible was my response and rejection of them! Do these unbelieving idolaters not see the birds above them, spreading their wings at times and folding them at other times? None but the All-Compassionate God sustains them and prevents them from falling. He sees everything. Who is there who could help you and defend you, unbelievers, against Allah's punishment apart from the All-Compassionate God?! Truly, the unbelievers are in utter delusion! Who is there who could provide for you if He withholds His sustenance? Yet these unbelievers persist in their arrogance and rebellion and in their turning away from the truth! Is the unbeliever who walks with his head hanging down, unable to see the way, and keeps falling on his face better guided or the believer who walks upright, not prone to falling down, and can see his way clearly?!

Quran 67: 27-30 The Sovereignty Tafseer: General explanation: Say to the unbelieving idolaters, Muhammad, 'It is

Allah alone who has brought you into being and has endowed you with hearing, sight and hearts. Yet little do you give thanks to Allah for what He has given you!' Say to them, 'It is He who has scattered you all over the earth, and before Him alone will you all be gathered for judgment.' The unbelieving idolaters mockingly say, 'When will this resurrection and gathering before Allah with which you threaten us take place, if what you say is true?' Say to them, Muhammad, 'Allah alone has knowledge of that. I am sent only to warn you plainly of Allah's punishment!' But when the unbelievers see the punishment of which they have been warned drawing near, they will be terrified of its sight and their faces will turn ugly and be grief-stricken; and they will be reproachfully told on Resurrection Day, 'This is the very punishment which you mockingly asked for its coming to be hastened in the life of the world! Say to the unbelieving idolaters, Muhammad, 'Just think: whether Allah destroys me and all the believers with me or has mercy upon us, who will protect you from His painful punishment if you persist in disbelieving in Him?!' Say to them, 'He is our Lord, the All-Compassionate God. We believe in Him, and in Him alone we put our trust. You will soon know, when the punishment comes, which of us has strayed from the truth!' Say to them, 'Just think: if all the water that you have were to sink down into the ground, who would bring you pure water flowing over the face of the earth?!

Quran 68: 1- 16 The Pen Tafseer: General explanation: Allah Almighty opens this noble surah with one of the disconnected letters of the Arabic alphabet, namely noon. A brief discussion of these disconnected letters is to be found at the beginning of Surat Al-Baqarah. I swear by the pen and what everyone writes that you, Muhammad, are not a madman as the unbelievers claim, thanks to the favor of your Lord who has bestowed prophethood and right guidance on you. You will have a great, undiminished and neverending reward. You are truly a man of great moral character. Before long you and the unbelieving Quraysh idolaters will see and learn which of you is afflicted with madness and has strayed from

the truth! Your Lord, Muhammad, knows best those who have strayed from the path of truth, and He also knows best those who are rightly guided. Do not obey the unbelievers, Muhammad. They would like you to compromise with them in matters of faith and approve their falsehood, so that they will also compromise with you. Nor obey every contemptible, vain habitual oath-swearer, backbiter and slanderer who goes about with malicious gossip to sow the seeds of discord between people, withholder of good who is niggardly with his wealth towards good causes, transgressor who has stepped over the limits of right and justice, excessive sinner, rude and harsh and, on top of all that, he is attached to a group of people and he is of unknown parentage. Just because he has been blessed with enormous wealth and numerous children, when the verses of the Qur'an are recited to him, he says, 'These are fables of the ancients!' We will leave a distinguishing mark on his nose by which he will be known among people!

Quran 68: 17-33 The Pen Tafseer: General explanation: We have tested the idolatrous people of Makkah as we tested the owners of the garden before them, who had vowed that they would harvest all its fruits very early in the morning, taking everything for themselves before the poor came forward, and making no allowance for the will of Allah (by not saying in shaa Allaah 'If Allah wills'). A punishment from your Lord, Muhammad, came down upon their garden while they slept at night and utterly destroyed it, burning it and leaving it all black like a pitch-black night! At daybreak, they called out to one another, 'Hurry to your garden if you intend to harvest and gather all its fruits before the poor come to it!' So they went off, whispering to one another, 'Make sure that no poor person enters the garden today.' Thus they went forth early in the morning, angrily bent on depriving the poor of their fruits, fully convinced that they had the power to accomplish their purpose. But when they saw their garden utterly devastated and could not recognize it, they exclaimed, 'This is certainly not our garden. We must have lost our way.' Then, realising it was their very garden, they said, 'We have not lost the

way to our garden; rather, we are deprived of its fruits!' The most sensible of them said, 'Did I not advise you saying, "Will you not extol Allah's limitless glory?" They admitted their mistake, saying, 'Limitless in His glory is our Lord, and far exalted is He above wronging us by destroying our garden! We have wronged ourselves because of our evil intentions!' They then began to blame one another, 'Woe betide us!' they said. 'We have transgressed Allah's limits. Now that we have repented, we hope that our Lord will give us something better than our garden that has been destroyed. To our Lord we humbly turn with hope.' With a similar worldly punishment that the owners of the garden suffered will Allah punish those who disobey His commands by greedily withholding the the bounties He has bestowed upon them and depriving the poor of it. But the punishment of the life to come is more terrible, if they but knew it!

Quran 68: 34-52 The Pen Tafseer: General explanation: Indeed, the righteous believers will have Gardens of eternal bliss with their Lord. Are We to treat the Muslims who have submitted themselves to Us and obeyed Our commands as We treat the wicked sinners?! What has come over you, unbelieving idolaters, that you should thus judge and consider them alike? Do you have a book sent down from Allah in which you read that you have in it whatever rulings you choose?! Or have you received solemn oaths, binding on Us until the Resurrection Day, that you will get whatever decisions you yourselves choose? Ask the idolatrous among your people, Muhammad, who of them can guarantee and pledge his word of honour that this is true? Or do they have other deities that deserve to be worshipped besides Allah? Let them produce such alleged partners, if what they say is true! On the Day of Judgment, Allah will uncover His Shin and the unbelievers and hypocrites will be asked to prostrate themselves before Him, but they will not be able to do so. Their eyes will be cast down, and they will be overwhelmed with disgrace; for they used to be called in the life of the world to prostrate themselves to Allah when they were safe and sound, but they stubbornly refused to do so! Therefore, leave to

Me those who deny this Qur'an, Muhammad. Do not seek to hasten their destruction. We will lead them gradually to their ruin in ways beyond their knowledge. I will give them more time and not hasten their punishment: My scheme regarding them is firm and unfailing indeed! Or do you ask them for a wage, Muhammad, for your conveying My message to them and so they do not respond to you, as they will feel weighed down by such wage and find it very difficult to pay it? Or do they have knowledge of the unseen which they can write down?! Therefore, be steadfast, Muhammad, in carrying out your Lord's command to convey His message and patiently endure the harm your people do you. Do not be—in your anger and impatience with your people—like Yunus (Jonah)—who was swallowed by the whale—when he called out to his Lord, in utter distress, 'There is no god but You! Limitless are You in Your glory! I have done wrong.' Had his Lord not shown him His grace and mercy, he would have been cast off onto a barren wilderness while he was still blameworthy for what he had done. His Lord, however, chose him and made him one of His righteous servants. The unbelievers would almost strike you down, Muhammad, with their evil, malicious looks, out of enmity, anger and envy, when they hear you recite the Qur'an; and they say, 'Muhammad is certainly a madman.' Yet this Qur'an is nothing but a reminder and an admonition to all mankind and the jinn!

Quran 69: 1- 12 The Inevitable Resurrection (Al-Haqqah) Tafseer:General explanation: The Inevitable Resurrection! What is the Inevitable Resurrection on which all facts will be brought to light? What will make you realise what the Inevitable Resurrection is and what its circumstances and terrors are?! Thamud, Salih's people, and 'Aad, Hud's people, denied the Day of Resurrection which will strike hearts with terror! Thamud were destroyed by an abnormally deafening blast, and 'Aad were destroyed by an extremely howling, violent gale, which Allah let loose on them for seven whole nights and eight whole days without a break, destroying them all! In the end, you could see the 'Aad

people lying dead as though they were fallen, uprooted trunks of hollow palm trees. Can you see any trace of them now after Allah has utterly wiped them out?! Pharaoh also, and the unbelievers before him, and the people of Lot—the inhabitants of the Ruined Cities—all committed the wrong actions of unbelief, idolatry, rejection of the truth and oppression. Each of them disobeyed and rebelled against their Lord's messenger sent to them, and so Allah utterly destroyed them, inflicting on them extraordinarily terrible punishment. When the Flood waters rose high and overflowed beyond all limits to drown Noah's people, We carried your ancestors in Noah's floating Ark, so that We may make this a reminder and admonition to you, believers, and that those who attentively listen to what Allah says will heed and benefit from it. Quran 69: 13-24 The Inevitable Resurrection (Al-Haggah) Tafseer:General explanation: When the Angel assigned the task of blowing the Trumpet sounds it the first time, and the earth and the mountains are removed from their places and dashed to pieces with one mighty stroke—on that day the Resurrection will take place. The heavens will split asunder, becoming frail on that day. The angels will be on all sides of the heavens, and eight of them will, on that great day, bear the Throne of your Lord above them! On that day, you, mankind, will be brought before Allah for judgement, and nothing whatsoever concerning you will be hidden from Him! Those who are given their records of deeds in their right hands will joyfully say, 'Here, take and read my record! Look at the rewards recorded in it!' I was very certain in the life of the world that I will be resurrected on Judgment Day and be called to account for my deeds, and so I have prepared for this day.' They will, therefore, be in a life of bliss, in an elevated Garden with lofty palaces and trees, whose fruits will be near at hand. They will be told, 'Eat and drink delightfully and to your hearts' content on account of the good deeds you did in the days of the world that are gone.

Quran 69: 25-52 The Inevitable Resurrection (Al-Haqqah) Tafseer: General explanation: But as for those who are given their

records of deeds in their left hands, they will remorsefully say, 'I wish I had not been given my record of evil deeds, nor known anything about my account! If only death in the worldly life had really been the end. All the wealth that I amassed in the life of the world has not availed me or protected me from Allah's punishment! All my power is now gone.' 'Lay hold of them and bind their hands to their necks,' Allah will then command His angels. 'Then cast them into the fire of Hell to be burned, and then fasten them with a chain seventy cubits long; for, in the worldly life, they did not believe in Allah, the All-Mighty, nor did they urge others to feed the destitute. So today they will have no close friends to benefit them and save them from punishment, nor any food except puss flowing from the bodies of the dwellers of the Fire, which none will eat but the unbelievers who deliberately persist in their unbelief and sin. I swear by all that you can see, mankind, and all that you cannot see that this Qur'an is Allah's Word, recited to you by a noble messenger—Muhammad. It is not at all the word of a poet, as you claim. How little faith you have! Nor is it the word of a soothsayer who falsely claims to know the unseen. How little heed you pay! This Qur'an is a revelation sent down from the Lord of all the worlds. Had Muhammad invented lies and attributed them to Us, We would have punished him severely by Our power and severed his life vein! None of you, people, could have protected him from Allah's punishment had he forged lies and attributed them to His Lord. Indeed, this Qur'an is a reminder and an admonition to the God-fearing who do what Allah commands and avoid what He forbids. We know very well that there are some among you who deny it. It will be the source of bitter regret on Judgment Day for those who reject it. It is undeniably the absolute truth that has truly been sent down from Allah. Glorify, then, Muhammad, the name of your Lord, the All-Mighty, and declare Him free from all defects and imperfections!

Quran 70: 1-18 Ways Of Ascent (Al-Ma'arij) Tafseer:General explanation: An unbeliever mockingly demanded and called for Allah's punishment to be hastened on him and the

unbelievers, which will certainly descend upon them! None can prevent it from being meted out to them, since it will come from Allah, the Lord of exalted positions, graciousness and favours. The angels and Gabriel ascend to Him in a day whose length is fifty thousand years! Therefore, patiently endure the idolaters' rejection of you, Muhammad, without complaint and annoyance. The unbelievers think the punishment in the life to come impossible because they do not believe in the resurrection after death, but We see it imminent, for every future event is certainly near at hand! On that day the heavens will become like molten metal, and the mountains like tufts of dyed wool scattered in the wind, and no relative will ask a relative about his condition due to the utter horror and dread by which he will be overcome! Although close relatives and friends may be within sight of each other, they will not even enquire about each other! The unbelievers will wish to ransom themselves from the punishment of that day even by sacrificing their own children, their spouses, their siblings, their close relatives who gave them help and support and everyone else on earth, if that only meant they could be saved! By no means! What awaits them is a blazing Fire that tears away limbs and scalps! It will call those who, in the life of the world, turned away from the truth and embraced falsehood and amassed wealth that they covetously hoarded without giving away the portion due on it that Allah has prescribed for them.

Quran 70: 19- 44 Ways Of Ascent (Al-Ma'arij) Tafseer: General explanation: Indeed, man has a natural tendency to be impatient and greedy. When misfortune befalls him he is fretful and grows impatient; however, when good fortune comes his way, he grows niggardly and withholds his wealth from the needy. Not so, however, those who are devoted to prayer, for they show patience in adversity and give thanks to Allah in prosperity: those who persevere in their prayers, those who give a due share of their possessions to those who ask for help and the destitute who do not ask for anything, those who truly believe in the Day of Judgment and Recompense, those who fear the punishment of their Lord—

for they know that none should feel secure from Allah's punishment—those who guard their chastity by not engaging in forbidden intimate relations, except with their wives or the female slaves they rightfully possess, in which case they are free from blame—but whoever seeks to go beyond this will be violating the limits set by Allah and will be committing an unlawful act. They are also those who faithfully keep what they are entrusted with and honor their promises, those who bear true witness when required of them without altering or concealing anything and those who are strict in the observance of their prayers. Those who have such qualities will be in gardens in which Allah will highly honor them. What is the matter with the unbelieving Quraysh idolaters, that for purposes of mockery—they rush towards you, Muhammad, with outstretched necks and staring eyes from the right and from the left in scattered groups?! Does each one of them hope that Allah will admit him into the Garden of Delight?! By no means! We have created them from a mere drop of sperm which they know full well. I swear by the Lord of the rising and setting points of celestial bodies (sun, moon, planets) in the East and the West that We have the power to destroy the unbelieving idolaters and to replace them with better people; nothing can frustrate Our purpose and none of them can escape from Us. Let them, then, Muhammad, indulge in their falsehood and amuse themselves in idle pursuits until they face the Day of Resurrection on which they will be punished—the day when they will come forth in haste from their graves towards the Place of Gathering (the plains of Judgment Day), as though they were hurrying towards the erected idols they used to worship in the worldly life. Their eyes will be downcast with shame and they will be overwhelmed with sheer humiliation. That is the day of which they were warned in the life of world and about which they did not care! Quran 71: 1-20 Noah Tafseer: General explanation: We sent forth Noah to his idolatrous people, saying, 'Warn your people against worshipping other than Allah before a painful punishment overtakes them.' Noah delivered Allah's message to them,

saying, 'My people, I am a plain warner to you: Worship Allah alone without associating anyone or anything with Him, fear Allah by doing what He commands and avoiding what He forbids, and obey me. If you do as I say, Allah will forgive you your sins and will not inflict a punishment on you that will destroy you completely; rather, he will delay your end until your appointed time of death if you believe in Him and obey His commands. The time of death Allah has appointed for everyone can never be put back. If you but knew this, you would certainly believe in Allah and turn to Him! Lord,' said Noah, complaining to his Lord about his people's denying him, 'I have called my people to worship You alone night and day, but my calling them to faith has only made them turn further away from it! Indeed, each time I call them to believe in You so that You may forgive them their sins, they thrust their fingers into their ears to avoid listening to what I say to them, and they cover themselves with their garments in order not to see me, and persist in their idolatrous practices without ever repenting and arrogantly reject the truth. 'Moreover I have invited them to the truth openly, and preached to them in public and in private. "Seek your Lord's forgiveness," I said. "He is ever ready to forgive His servants' sins. If you do so, He will shower you with abundant rain from the sky, bestow upon you wealth and children and provide you in this worldly life with gardens with all sorts of fruits as well as flowing rivers. What is the matter with you, that do you deny Allah's greatness and do not show deep respect for Him as is His due, seeing that He has created you in gradual stages, from a drop of sperm, which is then transformed into a clot of blood clinging to the womb wall, which then turns into a chewed-like embryonic lump of flesh until you assume your perfect human shape and form?! "Can you not see how Allah has created seven heavens one above the other, placing in them the moon for a light and the sun for a radiant lamp, so that you may realise Allah's perfect power and that He alone is worthy of worship?! "Allah began the creation of your father, Adam, from the dust of the earth, which is the source of your creation, then He

will return you to the earth after your death, then He will again bring you forth from it on Resurrection Day for judgement and recompense. "Allah has spread the earth as a carpet for you, so that you may easily travel along its spacious paths.

Quran 71: 21-28 Noah Tafseer: General explanation: Noah complained to His Lord's stubborn rejection of the truth, saying, 'Lord, my people have disobeyed me and have instead followed their leaders—the inventors of falsehood—whose wealth and children have made them stray even more from the truth and led them increasingly into loss. Their leaders have devised a mighty plot and said to each other, "Do not renounce your gods, which Noah enjoins you not to worship, nor forsake the idols Wadd, Suwwa', Yaghuth, Ya'uq or Nasr." They have led many people astray from the truth. Lord, grant those who have wronged themselves because of their stubborn unbelief increase in nothing but straying further from the truth.' Because of their sins Allah drowned them and cast them into the Fire. They found none to help them or save them from Allah's punishment. Having despaired of his people's ever accepting faith, Noah prayed, 'Lord, do not leave a single unbeliever on the face of the earth. If You spare them, they will mislead Your believing servants and beget none but wicked sinners and staunch unbelievers.' Concluding his prayer, Noah said, 'Forgive me, Lord, and forgive my parents and whoever enters my house a true believer. Forgive all the believers, men and women alike, and grant those who have wronged themselves because of their unbelief increase in nothing but destruction.

Quran 72: 1-13 The Jinn Tafseer:General explanation: Say to the people, Muhammad, 'Allah has revealed to me that a group of the jinn listened to me reciting the Qur'an and said to their fellow jinn, "We have heard a wondrous Qur'an leading to right guidance, and so We have believed in it and we will never worship anyone else besides our Lord. Our Lord—exalted is His majesty! —has neither a wife nor any offspring. The ignorant among us used to utter outrageous lies about Allah. We used to think that what humans and the jinn claimed was true and that they would never

dare to utter falsehoods about Allah. Some men would seek refuge with the leader of the jinn of a particular place so that no harm or evil would afflict them but, by so doing, humans only made the jinn all the more tyrannical and arrogant. The unbelieving jinn thought, just like the unbelieving humans, that Allah would never resurrect the dead on Resurrection Day for judgment and recompense. We have tried to reach out to the heavens to eavesdrop on some news of the unseen, as we used to do, but we have found them filled with mighty guards among the angels and burning shooting stars ready to strike those who attempt to eavesdrop. We used to take up positions in the heavens to listen to the angels' conversations about what would happen, but whoever dares eavesdrop now will be pursued by a blazing shooting star that is lying in wait for him. We do not know, now that the heavens are heavily guarded, whether punishment is intended for those on earth or if their Lord intends to guide them. Some among us are righteous and obedient to Allah, while others are otherwise: we follow widely divergent ways. We have come to know for certain—after listening to the Qur'an and embracing faith—that we are under Allah's absolute control and that we cannot frustrate His purpose by escaping punishment—if He wills to inflict it on us—whether we are on earth or attempt to flee to the heavens. "When we heard the Qur'an, we believed in it; whoever believes in his Lord need never fear that Allah will diminish his rewards at all, nor increase his evil deeds in any way.

Quran 72: 14-28 The Jinn Tafseer: General explanation: Some of us have submitted themselves to Allah's will and obeyed Him, while some others have strayed from the path of truth. Those who have surrendered themselves to Allah by declaring His oneness and obeying His commands have indeed pursued the right path, but those who have strayed from the path of Islam will be the fuel of Hell." Had the wrongdoers pursued the path of truth, We would have given them abundant rain and made them live in ease and affluence, and thereby test them to prove those of them who, according to Our foreknowledge, will give thanks and who will be

ungrateful. Those who turn away from the Qur'an will be admitted by their Lord into a grievous punishment. Mosques are for Allah alone; do not, therefore, worship any of His creation in them besides Him. When Allah's Servant, Muhammad, rose to call upon Allah, the jinn gathered in groups around him, almost in heaps on top of one another, in their eagerness to listen to the true guidance he had brought. Say, Muhammad, to the unbelievers, 'I call only upon my Lord and worship none of His creation besides Him.' Say, 'It is not in my power to do you any harm or good or make you follow the right path.' Say, 'No one can ever protect me from Allah if He wills harm on me, nor can I ever find any refuge besides Him. I can do no more than deliver the message with which He has sent me.' Those who disobey Allah and His Messenger with respect to His Oneness and worship will be in the Fire of Hell, in which they will abide for ever. When the unbelievers see the punishment of which Allah has forewarned them, they will then find out whose helpers and supporters are weaker and smaller in number: they or the believers they used to mock in the worldly life? Say to the unbelieving idolaters, Muhammad, 'I do not know whether the time on which Allah has warned to inflict His punishment on you is near, or whether my Lord has set for such punishment a distant term. He alone knows what is hidden from His creation and is well beyond their perception, and He does not disclose His knowledge of the unseen to anyone except the messengers whom He has been pleased to choose for His message. He then appoints angels before and behind the messengers to whom He discloses such knowledge, to protect them against the devils, so that He may manifest what He already knows, according to His foreknowledge, that they have fully delivered His messages. He has full knowledge of what the messengers have, and He keeps strict count of all things. Quran 73: 1-14 The Enwrapped (Al-Muzzammil) Tafseer:General explanation: You, Muhammad, who are wrapped up in your clothes! Stand up in prayer all night, except for a small portion of

it. Or pray half the night, or even less than that, or add a little more if you wish—for no blame attaches to you for whatever you choose to do—and recite the Qur'an slowly and very distinctly, making its letters clear. We will soon send down to you the Qur'an, which is great due to its immense significance and momentous and majestic words that are full of great meanings, as well as weighty in that it contains exacting obligations; it is heavy in the scales of deeds and the unbelievers cannot possibly rebut or challenge it in any way. Indeed, engaging in the night prayer is heavier and much harder for the worshipper than performing the daytime prayer (as the night is the time for sleep and rest), and more conducive to sounder and more correct recitation on account of the absence of every noise and object which may otherwise distract the mind. During the day, you have abundance of time attending to your different worldly affairs, Muhammad; remember the name of your Lord at all times and devote yourself entirely to His worship. He is the Lord of the East and of the West; there is no god worthy of worship but Him; tale Him, therefore, as the disposer of all your affairs and entrust them to Him alone. Bear patiently your idolatrous people's mockery and hurtful words, Muhammad, and take leave of them in a gracious manner without reproaching them or repaying evil with evil. Leave to Me, Muhammad, those who deny the truth, those who live a life of ease and enjoy the comforts of this life, and bear with them for a little while. We have in store for them heavy fetters and a blazing fire, food that chokes and a painful punishment, on the Day of Resurrection when the earth and the mountains will shake violently and the mountains will crumble into scattered sand!

Quran 73: 15-20 The Enwrapped (Al-Muzzammil) Tafseer:General explanation: We have sent you, people, a messenger—Muhammad, may Allah bless him and grant him peace—to bear witness for those who follow and believe him and to bear witness against those who oppose and deny him, just as We sent forth a messenger—Moses, peace be upon him—to Pharaoh. Pharaoh, however, disobeyed Moses and denied him, and so We

utterly destroyed him and his forces by drowning them all in the sea. If you persist in your unbelief, how will you, then, guard yourselves against the horrors of the Day of Resurrection that will turn children hair grey—the day on which the very sky will split asunder due to its terrors? Allah's promise will inevitably be fulfilled. This is but an admonition which will benefit only the God-fearing. Whoever, therefore, wishes to follow a way leading to his Lord by believing in Him and obeying His commands should do so. Your Lord, Muhammad, knows that you sometimes stand in prayer for less than two-thirds of the night, and sometimes for half the night and at other times for one-third of it, as do some of your believing companions. Allah alone determines the measure and hours of the night and the day. He knows that you, believers, cannot keep an exact count of its hours, and so He has turned to you mercifully and lightened your burden regarding the night prayer. Pray, therefore, as much as may be easy for you without a specific amount. He knows that some of you are ill who are too weak to perform the night prayer, and others who travel through the land in search of Allah bounty to earn their livelihoods, and yet others who fight against the unbelievers for the cause of Allah to make His religion reign supreme. Pray, then, at night as much as may be easy for you. Observe and attend to the prescribed prayers, pay the obligatory charity (zakat) to the poor and needy who are eligible for it, and give alms from your lawful earnings for the sake of Allah alone. Whatever good you do in this life you will surely find its reward multiplied with Allah in the next. Seek Allah's forgiveness, for Allah is All-Forgiving, All-Merciful. Quran 74: 1-30 The Enrobed (Al-Muddath-thir) Tafseer: General explanation: You, Muhammad, who are covered up with your clothes in fear! Arise and warn the unbelieving idolaters of Allah's punishment if they do not declare His oneness and worship Him alone; magnify your Lord and declare Him free from all imperfections; purify your garments from impurities, yourself from the stains of sin and your good deeds from doing them for other than Allah and from wrongdoing; keep away from idol

worship; do not give something expecting more in return and patiently endure whatever harm you suffer for Allah's sake. When the Trumpet is sounded on Resurrection Day for people to be raised from their graves for judgment, that will surely be a very difficult day, not at all easy for the unbelievers. Leave to Me this unbeliever, Muhammad, whom I have created alone with no wealth or children whatsoever, and endowed with abundant wealth and children always by his side, and made life smooth and comfortable for him; yet, driven by sheer greed, he hopes that I will give him more wealth and children despite him disbelieving in Me and being ungrateful to Me! By no means will I give this unbeliever more as he hopes! Instead, I will subject him to an increasingly overwhelming punishment in Hell. He thought hard about evil ways to vilify the Qur'an and contemplated false qualities to ascribe to it. Ruined and excluded from Allah's mercy is he! How maliciously he thought and schemed to ascribe such false qualities to the Qur'an!! Again, ruined and excluded from Allah's mercy is he! How maliciously he thought and schemed to ascribe such false qualities to the Qur'an! Then he pondered over his malicious scheme again in an attempt to find a false quality to attribute to the Qur'an. Then he frowned and scowled, and his color changed in frustration, as he could not find a way to defy the Qur'an. Then he turned away in scornful pride, arrogantly refusing to accept the truth, and said, 'This Qur'an is nothing but magic that Muhammad transmits from other sorcerers! This Qur'an is nothing but the words of a human being, and certainly not the words Allah!' I will cast him into Sagar—the Blazing Fire. What will make you know what Sagar is, Muhammad?! It does not let those cast into it live or die and thus be spared the punishment. It burns the skins of its dwellers, turning their skins black, with nineteen angels appointed over it as its keepers.

Quran 74: 31-37 The Enrobed (Al-Muddath-thir) Tafseer: General explanation: None but angels have We made the nineteen keepers of the Fire, nor have We specified their number but as a trial for

the unbelievers and so that those to whom the Torah and the Gospel were given may be convinced that the Our'an is the truth and that Muhammad is truly Allah's Messenger, and so that the true believers may grow yet more firm in their faith by firmly believing such new piece of information, and so that those to whom the Torah and the Gospel were given and the true believers may not doubt what Allah has said regarding the number of the Fire keepers, and so that those in whose hearts is a disease of doubt and hypocrisy and the unbelievers who deny Allah and His Messenger may ask, 'What could Allah mean by this number?' Just as Allah has left the unbelievers to stray by mentioning this number and guided the believers to believe it, so too He leaves whomever He wills to stray and guides whomever He pleases. None knows the forces of your Lord and their huge numbers except Him. This is no more than an admonition to mankind so that they may take heed. The matter is not as the unbelieving idolaters imagine regarding the number of the Fire keepers! I swear by the moon, by the night when it retreats and by the morning when it brightly dawns that the Fire is one of the greatest and unparalleled matters; it is a warning to mankind, to whomever desires to go forward with faith by heeding the warning and be guided to the truth or remain behind by rejecting faith and ignoring the warning.

Quran 74: 38-56 The Enrobed (Al-Muddath-thir) Tafseer:General explanation: Every person will be locked in the Fire because of the sins he has done in this world, except for the believers who will be given their records of deeds in their right hands: These will have their sins forgiven and will not be locked in the Fire because of them. The Companions of the Right Hand will be in the Gardens of Bliss. They will enquire about the dwellers of the Fire, saying, 'What has brought you into the Fire?' They will reply, 'We were not of those who performed the prescribed prayers in the life of the world, nor did we feed the poor, and we indulged in falsehood along with those who indulged in it, and we continued to deny the Day of Judgment and Recompense until death came to us.' Thus in

no way will the intercession of the intercessors benefit such unbelievers. What, then, is the matter with these unbelieving idolaters that they are turning away from the Qur'an, as though they were terrified wild donkeys running away from a lion or archers! These idolaters are neither satisfied with such warning, nor are they willing to heed it; rather, each one of them desires, out of sheer stubbornness, that Allah should send down to him an open book in which He commands him to follow the Prophet! By no means will We grant their demands (for the unbelievers told Muhammad, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, that they would never believe him until he brought each man an open book from the heavens to this effect). The truth is that they do not fear the punishment of Allah in the life to come, nor do they believe in the resurrection, nor in Hell nor in Paradise. Contrary to their erroneous claim that the Qur'an is magic that Muhammad transmits from other sorcerers and that is it merely the words of a human being, it is indeed an eloquent admonition from Allah; whoever, therefore, wishes to pay heed and be admonished by the Qur'an should do so. However, none will be admonished by it except by the will of Allah. He alone is worthy to be feared by His servants and His wrath and punishment are worthy to be avoided, and He alone is worthy to forgive the sins of His servants and show mercy to them.

Quran 75: 1-15 The Resurrection Tafseer:General explanation: I Swear by the Day of Resurrection, and I swear by the believer's pure soul that reproaches him for abandoning good deeds and committing misdeeds [that people will be brought back to life for judgment and recompense]. Does man imagine that We will never put his bones together again after their having been scattered and reduced to dust, and then raise him from his grave?! Yes, indeed. We are able to assemble his bones again and put to perfect order even his very fingertips after they have been scattered and reduced to mere dust! The One who is capable of gathering together the smallest bones is, with all the more reason, more powerful to assemble the bigger ones! Yet man desires to continue committing

sins in the days ahead of him. He mockingly asks, 'When will this Day of Resurrection be? But when man's sight is dazed and perplexed, staring unblinkingly in horror, and the moon is eclipsed and no longer reflects any light and the sun and moon are joined together, on that day man will ask, 'Where can I flee for refuge?' No, indeed! There is no refuge and no escape from Allah! On that day, to your Lord will all be returned. Man will be informed on that day of all the good and bad deeds he has done first and last. Indeed, man will bear witness against himself regarding everything he has done—as all his deeds are known to him—even if he offers his accuses and argues using false arguments for his unbelief or sins, for he knows that he has no excuse whatsoever! Ouran 75: 16-40 The Resurrection Tafseer: General explanation: You need not move your tongue and lips in haste, Muhammad, in repeating the revelations brought to you by Gabriel, before he finishes reciting them to you, in an attempt to quickly memorise them! It is for Us to gather this Qur'an in your heart by having you memorise it, and to enable you to recite it after that. Therefore, if Gabriel recites the Qur'an to you, listen attentively to his recitation until he is finished, then recite it as he has recited it to you. Then afterwards it is for Us to make its meaning clear to you. No! But what has made you, unbelieving idolaters, deny the resurrection and the final judgment and recompense is that you love this fleeting life and ignore the life to come. Some faces, on Judgment Day, will be radiant with joy, looking at their Lord with sheer delight, while some faces will on that day be gloomy due to the utter misery of those unbelievers who have them, making them realise that some calamity so great as to crush they very backbones will be brought upon them on that difficult day. No! But when the unbelieving person is in his last throes and his soul reaches his collarbone, and those around him say, 'Will no one cure him and save him?' And the dying person knows for certain that he is now departing the worldly life, and when one of his legs is laid over the other at death—on that day to his Lord will he be driven. He neither believed in what he ought to have

believed in, nor performed the prescribed prayers he was enjoined to perform; rather, he denied the truth and turned away from it, and then went off to his family swaggering, full of pride. Your doom, unbeliever, has drawn nearer and nearer! Your doom has drawn nearer and nearer! Does man, then, think that Allah will leave him alone without purpose in this worldly life, without being commanded to obey His commands and without being resurrected to be repaid according to his actions?! Was he not a mere drop of despised emitted sperm, which then became a clot of blood clinging to the womb wall?! Then Allah created and fashioned him in due proportions, and made of him two sexes, the male and the female. Is the One who can do all that not able to bring the dead back to life? Yes, indeed! He is able to do so! Quran 76: 1-12 Human Tafseer: General explanation: A very long period of time indeed had passed before man was created, during which time he was non-existent—even nothing yet to be thought of! We have created every human being from a drop of the man's and the woman's mingled fluids in order to test him; therefore, We have endowed him with hearing and sight. We have surely shown him the path of truth that is bound to lead him to Allah's good pleasure and Paradise, and it rests with him to either follow it and be grateful or abandon it and be ungrateful to Allah's favors upon him. We have prepared for the unbelievers chains by which they will be dragged into Hell, shackles of iron with which their hands will be bound to their necks and a blazing fire. The obedient and righteous believers will have a drink of pure wine flavoured with camphor—a flowing spring from which Allah's servants will drink, directing it to flow in abundance wherever they please! These righteous and obedient believers fulfilled their vows in the life of the world, feared the Day of Resurrection whose evil will spread far and wide and gave food—despite their love for it—to the poor, the orphans and the captives, saying within themselves, 'We only feed you to attain Allah's good pleasure and receive reward from Him. We desire neither reward from you, nor any thanks. We fear from our Lord the Day of Resurrection and its awful horrors and

immense distress.' So Allah will save them from the evil of that day and will grant them light and beauty on their faces and put joy into their hearts; and He will reward them for their patience with a great Garden and garments of silk to wear.

Quran 76: 13-31 Human Tafseer: General explanation: They will comfortably recline on richly canopied couches, and they will see in the Garden neither the scorching heat of the sun nor any biting cold. The shades of the Garden trees will be close upon them, and their fruits will hang low, within easy reach. They will be served round on silver plates and in goblets as clear and transparent as glass—crystal-clear, but made of silver, which their attendants will fill to the exact measure they will require, neither more nor less, to give them maximum pleasure. They will be given there a drink of pure wine mixed with ginger, from a spring there called Salsabeel. The righteous believers will be attended in the Garden by immortal, ageless youths; when you see them in their sheer beauty scattered about to serve the righteous believers, you will think them to be pearls sprinkled about; and when you look there in the Garden, you will see sheer bliss and a great kingdom. They will be dressed in garments of green fine silk and, on top of which, garments of shiny, rich brocade, and will be adorned with bracelets of silver. Their Lord will give them a most pure drink which will cleanse them of all harm. They will be told, 'Such bliss is your reward for what you did in the life of the world, and your endeavour to do good deeds is recognized and accepted. It is We who have sent down the Qur'an to you, Muhammad, piecemeal, in stages. Therefore, be steadfast in carrying out your Lord's command to convey His message and patiently endure the harm your people do you as well as the delayed divine help; obey neither a sinner who calls you to disobey Allah, nor an unbeliever who calls you to worship other than Him. Remember the name of your Lord, Muhammad, morning and evening. Prostrate yourself before Him in your prayers at night, and extol His limitless glory for a long part of the night. The unbelieving Quraysh idolaters love this transitory life and entirely neglect the Day of Resurrection ahead of them—a heavy day that

is full of terrors. It is We who have created them and strengthened and perfected their forms; and when We please, We will bring them back to life on Resurrection Day and restore their bodies and bring them back together, just as they were in the life of the world. The verses of this surah are a reminder to people so that they may be admonished by them and take heed. Whoever, therefore, wishes to tread a path leading to Allah's good pleasure—through faith, repentance and showing Him obedience—should do so. However, none of you, people, can will to follow the path of truth unless Allah so wills. Allah is the All-Knowing God, from whom nothing whatsoever is hidden, the All-Wise who places everything in its perfect place. He admits into His mercy whomever He wills of His servants, but for the wrongdoers He has prepared a painful punishment.

Quran 77: 1-24 Destructive wind (Al-Mursalat) Tafseer:General explanation: I swear by the winds that are sent forth in succession, by the raging winds that blow violently, by the winds that spread clouds in the sky, by the angels that bring down that by which truth is distinguished from falsehood and by the angels that convey Allah's revelation to His messengers—so that people will have no excuse before Allah and to warn them against His punishment—that the resurrection and the subsequent judgment and recompense that you, people, have been promised will certainly take place. When the stars lose their light, the sky is split open, the mountains crumble into dust and Allah's messengers are brought together at the appointed time, what you, people, have been promised will then come to pass. For what day has the coming together of the messengers been postponed? For the Day of Decision, on which Allah will judge and decide between people. What will make you know what the Day of Decision is, Muhammad?! Woe betide, on the Day of Resurrection, those who deny the truth! Did We not destroy the past unbelieving nations, such as the people of Noah, 'Aad and Thamud? We will follow them up by destroying the Quraysh unbelievers and all unbelievers who deny the truth. Thus do We deal with the wicked

unbelievers. Woe on that day betide those who deny the truth! Have We not created you, people, from a humble and base seminal fluid, which We securely keep in your mothers' wombs until the term decreed for birth and, by Our power We perfectly form you from the drop of sperm and bring you into being as wellproportioned human beings. Great indeed is Our power to do what We will! Woe on that day betide those who deny the truth! Ouran 77: 25-50 Destructive wind (Al-Mursalat) Tafseer: General explanation: Have We not made the earth an abode for the living on its surface and for the dead underground? Have We not placed lofty, firmly set mountains upon it, and provided you with fresh water to drink? Woe on that day betide those who deny the truth! Go to the Fire which you denied in the life of the world,' the unbelievers will be told on Judgment Day. 'Go to a shade of smoke which rises high in three columns, giving the unbelievers neither shade nor shelter from the flames of the Fire.' The Fire will be blazing so intensely that it will throw up huge sparks like massive towers, as though they were yellowish black camels. Woe on that day betide those who deny the truth! On that day—the Day of Judgment—those who deny the truth will not speak, nor will they be permitted to offer any excuses. Woe on that day betide those who deny the truth! 'This is the Day of Decision on which Allah will decide and judge between people,' The unbelievers will be told. 'We have gathered you all together with the past unbelieving nations. If then you have a trick by which you can save yourselves from the punishment of the Fire, go ahead and use it.' Woe on that day betide those who deny the truth! The God-fearing who do what Allah commands and avoid what He forbids will revel in Paradise, enjoying its shades, flowing springs and numerous fruits that they desire. 'Eat and drink with relish,' they will be told, 'as a reward for the good deeds you used to do in the worldly life.' Thus do We reward those who do good in the life of the world. Woe on that day betide those who deny the truth! Eat, unbelievers, and enjoy the pleasures of this life for a little while until the end of the earthly terms appointed for you. You are truly wicked. Woe on that day

betide those who deny the truth! When they are told, 'Pray to Allah,' they arrogantly refuse to do so. Woe on that day betide those who deny the truth! If they do not believe in this Qur'an, in what message other than it will they then believe? Quran 78: 1-20 The Event (An-Naba) Tafseer: General explanation: About what are the Quraysh idolaters asking one another?! They are asking one another about the momentous news (that is, the Our'an and the facts of monotheism and resurrection, among other things, that it contains) over which they disagree, with some believing in it while others denying or doubting it. No indeed! They will know with certainty the truth about what they deny as well as the consequences of their unbelief. Again, no indeed! They will certainly know the truth of the Qur'an and the resurrection which they deny. Have We not spread and levelled the earth for you to settle on and benefit from and made the mountains as pegs, holding it in place and preventing it from shaking with you? We have created you in pairs, males and females, for you to get united in marriage and made your sleep a rest for you from your daytime toils and activity. We have made the night as a covering to cover you with its darkness and made the day for you to earn your livelihoods and pursue your interests. We have built above you seven mighty heavens and made the intensely shining sun. We send down from the clouds rainwater in abundance, by which We bring forth all kinds of grains and plants, and gardens thick with trees. The Day of Decision, on which Allah will decide and judge people, is an appointed day which will take place at an appointed time to gather people together for judgment. On that day, the Angel will sound the Trumpet for people to be resurrected and you will all come forth from your graves in crowds to the Place of Gathering—the plains of Judgment Day. The sky will split open, becoming wide-flung gates, and the mountains will be removed from their places, turning into dust.

Quran 78 : 21- 40 The Event (An-Naba) Tafseer:General explanation : Hell will lie in ambush for the unbelievers on

Resurrection Day; it will be a home for those who transgress the bounds of right in the life of the world. They will abide in Hell for endless ages, not tasting any coolness there nor any drink, except intensely boiling water and puss flowing from the bodies of the dwellers of the Fire: a punishment that perfectly fits the evil deeds they have done in the worldly life. While in the life of the world, they did not believe in the resurrection and judgment in the life to come, and they utterly denied Our revelations; but We kept account of everything people did and wrote it down, with nothing of it whatsoever being hidden from Us. The unbelievers will be told in Hell, 'Taste, then, this punishment, for We will give you nothing but more and more torment! The God-fearing who do what Allah commands and avoid what He forbids will achieve ultimate success for being saved from the Fire. They will have gardens and vineyards, high-bosomed maidens of equal age and successive cups of the pure wine of Paradise. They will hear no vain talk there, nor any falsehood. Such is the reward of your Lord, Muhammad: a gift amply sufficient. Such great reward will be from your Lord the Lord of the seven heavens and the earth and all that lies between them, the All-Merciful. No one will dare speak to Him on the Day of Resurrection except after His leave. On that day, Gabriel and the angels will stand in ranks in total submission before Him. None of them will speak except those to whom He will grant permission and who will say what is right and will be well pleasing to Him. Whoever, therefore, wishes to do righteous deeds and thus take the path leading back to his Lord should do so. We have forewarned you, mankind, of an imminent punishment on Resurrection Day—the day on which every person will see all the deeds he has done in this life, and the unbeliever will regretfully say, 'If only I were dust so that I may be spared punishment! Quran 79: 1-26 Soul Snatchers (An-Nazi'at) Tafseer: General explanation: I swear by the angels that violently snatch away the unbelievers' souls, by the angels that gently and swiftly take away the believers' souls, by the angels that glide throughout the heavens and the earth to carry out Allah's commands, by the

angels that hasten to obey Allah's commands and by the angels Allah has entrusted with the task of governing whatever affairs He commands them to manage, that you, mankind, will be resurrected for judgment and recompense. The Day when the Trumpet is blown the first time, the earth will shake violently and everyone will die, then it will be sounded again and everyone will be raised up; the hearts of the unbelievers on that day will be trembling with terror, and their eyes will be downcast in utter humiliation. Those who deny the resurrection mockingly say, 'Will we surely be raised up alive from our graves? How can this possibly happen after we have been reduced to crumbling bones?' 'If we are brought back to life,' they sarcastically add, 'we will be losers indeed.' It will be but one sounding of the Trumpet (the second blowing of the Trumpet), and people will all be raised up alive from their graves to be gathered on the Place of Gathering—the plains of Judgment Day! Have you heard the story of Moses, Muhammad, when His Lord called out to him in the sacred valley of Tuwa? 'Go to Pharaoh,' He said to him, 'for he has acted arrogantly and transgressed his bounds. Say to him, "Would you be willing to cleanse yourself from the stain of unbelief and sin, and that I guide you to your Creator and Provider, so that you may fear Him and avoid His wrath and punishment?' Moses showed Pharaoh the mightiest miracle bearing witness to his truthfulness, but Pharaoh denied the truth and disobeyed Allah's command. Then he turned away from faith and strove hard to turn people away from following Moses. Then he summoned people and proclaimed, saying, 'I am your supreme lord.' Allah, therefore, meted out to him the punishment of the life to come by casting him into the Fire, and also of this present life by drowning him in the sea. Surely in this punishment there is a lesson for those who fear Allah and His torment.

Quran 79: 27-46 Soul Snatchers (An-Nazi'at) Tafseer: General explanation: Are you, who deny the resurrection, stronger in constitution and creation or the sky? Allah has built it. He raised it high and perfectly formed it, making its night dark with sunset and

its day bright with the rising of the sun. After that He spread out the earth and brought forth from it the seas, rivers and vegetation, and He set the mountains firmly upon it so that it would not shake—for you, people, and for your grazing livestock to enjoy. When the greatest and severest calamity strikes, on that day man will clearly remember all the good and bad deeds he did in the life of the world and the Fire will be placed in full view for all people to see clearly. Those who transgress their limits, arrogantly rebelling against Allah's commands, and prefer the pleasures of this present, giving them precedence over the next life, will have their home in Hellfire; as for those who fear to stand before their Lord for judgment on Resurrection Day and restrain themselves from whims and desires and from what is displeasing to Allah will have their home in Paradise in the hereafter. Those who deny the resurrection scornfully ask you, Muhammad, about the time fixed for it, 'When will it take place?' You should not be concerned about its time, nor is it for you to know it. The ultimate knowledge of it rests solely with your Lord. Your duty is only to warn those who fear its coming. The day they will be raise up from their graves, it will seem to them as though they had not stayed in the worldly life except for a very short time—nor more than one evening or one morning!

Quran 80: 1-16 He Frowned (Absa) Tafseer:General explanation: Muhammad frowned and turned away because the blind man came to him while he was busy inviting a man from the notables of Quraysh to Islam. But how could you tell, Muhammad? This blind man could have been cleansed of his sins by reason of whatever Qur'an he learns from you, or he could have been reminded and benefited from the Qur'an he hears from you?! The man who considered himself self-sufficient because of his wealth and turned away from your guidance, you eagerly attended to him and gave him your complete attention, striving hard to preach Islam to him in the hope that he would be guided to the truth. What harm will be done you if he does not embrace Islam and refuses to cleanse himself from unbelief and sin?! As for this blind man who came to

you, striving earnestly to reach you in the hope of acquiring knowledge and listening to the truth, and he fears Allah, you paid no heed to him! By no means should you act thus, Muhammad. The verses of the Qur'an are a reminder to all mankind. Whoever, therefore, wishes to remember it and be reminded by it should do so and act on its teachings. This Qur'an is written in honorable pages with Allah Almighty; they are highly honored and exalted, perfectly purified from all impurity and defects, in the hands of a group of angels who are honorable, have a pleasant appearance, abundantly benevolent and are obedient to Allah.

Quran 80: 17-42 He Frowned (Absa) Tafseer: General explanation: a Perished man! How stubbornly he denies Allah who has created him! From what has Allah created man? He has created him from a mere drop of sperm. He determines his development in stages while he is in his mother's womb; then He facilitates his exit from his mother's womb. Afterwards, He takes away his soul and causes him to die when he reaches the end of the earthly term He has appointed for him, and assigns a grave to him in which he is buried by way of honoring him. Then, when it is His will, He will surely bring him back to life to repay him for his deeds. By no means has man fully fulfilled all Allah's commands! Let man consider the food he eats and reflect on the manner and ways and means We have provided before it reaches him: We send down abundant rainwater from the clouds; afterwards, We cleave the earth, allowing plants to sprout from the clefts in it, and We cause all types of grains to spring forth in it, as well as grapes and fresh vegetation, olive trees, date palms, enclosed gardens that are dense with lofty trees, all types of fruits and grass—as a provision for you, mankind, and for your animals to enjoy in this worldly life. When the resurrection comes with its deafening mighty blast (the second blowing of the Trumpet), every person, on that day, will flee from his own siblings, and even his mother and his father, and yet even his spouse and his children. Each one of these relatives, on Resurrection Day, will have enough concern of his own to make him indifferent to the others! The believers' faces, on that day, will

be shining bright with happiness, laughing and joyful; and the unbelievers' faces, on that day, will be covered with dust and will darken with gloom and grief—these are the unbelievers, the wicked sinners.

Quran 81: 1-29 Folded Sun (At-Takwir) Tafseer: General explanation: When the sun is folded up and is stripped of its light, when the stars fall and are dispersed, when the mountains are removed from their places and are made to move on the face of the earth, becoming as scattered dust, when pregnant she-camels which are considered to be the Arabs' most valuable possessions will be neglected and completely untended, due to the horrors of that day, when the wild beasts are gathered together on Resurrection Day so that Allah will allow them to justly retaliate against one another, when the seas are set ablaze, when people will be grouped together like with like (those who do good will be joined with those who do good, and those who do evil deeds will be joined with the evildoers), when baby girls who were buried alive (as the pagan Arabs used to do) will be asked for what crime they were put to death, when people's records of deeds will be laid open for judgment, when the sky is stripped off and removed from its place, when the Fire is made to burn fiercely for Allah's enemies and when Paradise is brought near to the pious believers so that they may enter it: When such horrifying events take place, every person will know for certain what good or evil deeds he has done in the life of the world. I swear by the planets with their retrograde motion (that hide themselves in the rays of the sun or when they set) which run their courses and then disappear, by the night when its darkness recedes and by the morning when it appears and brightens up that this Qur'an, which has been revealed to Muhammad, is conveyed by Gabriel, a messenger who is honored by Allah, endowed with great strength and held in high honor with Allah—the Lord of the Throne—obeyed by the angels in the heavens and is absolutely faithful to his trust—faithfully delivering the revelations Allah entrusts to him. Your Prophet Muhammad, whom you, Quraysh

unbelievers, have known very well over a considerable length of time and whom you have found to be honest and trustworthy, is by no means mad as you claim. Muhammad did see Gabriel in his natural form in which Allah created him when the latter manifested himself on the highest point above the horizon, in the eastern part of the sky, where the sun rises and things are clearly seen. He does not grudgingly withhold the Qur'an from people; rather, he is keen to convey it and teach it to all mankind. This Qur'an is not the word of a devil who is expelled from Allah's mercy and pursued by piercing flaming fires. Where, then, can you go away from this Qur'an, idolaters, despite the clear truth it contains and all the proofs supporting it?! Which other path will you, then, take?! This Our'an is nothing but a reminder from Allah Almighty to all mankind, to whomever among you wishes to follow the truth and believe in it. But you will not will to do so unless Allah, the Lord of all the worlds, wills that for you.

Quran 82: 1-19 The Shattering sky (Al-Infitar) Tafseer: General explanation: When the sky is cleft asunder on Resurrection Day, when the stars fall and are scattered, when the seas burst forth and are mingled with each other, becoming one single sea and when the graves are overturned and the dead buried in them are raised up for judgment, every person will then know all the good and evil deeds he has done in the life of the world. O man, what has deceived you and prompted you to dare to deny and disobey your Gracious Lord who has created you, given you due proportions and an upright stature, and has put you together in whatever form He willed you to have?! By no means is there anything that should deceive you and prompt you to deny Allah, but it is your denial of the resurrection and judgment that has incited you to commit unbelief and wrongdoing and disobey His commands. But surely over you, people, are appointed honorable angels who watch over you, record all your actions and are fully aware of what you say and do. The obedient believers will surely be in gardens of perpetual bliss, while the wicked unbelievers will be in the Fire of Hell, which they will enter to

suffer its heat on the Day of Judgment and Recompense, and out of which they will never come out. What will make you realise what the Day of Judgement and Recompense is, Muhammad?! Again, what will make you realise the true reality of that great, terrible day?! It is the day when no person will be of any benefit or help to another at all, and all authority on that day is Allah's alone. Quran 83: 1-17 The Defrauders (Al-Mutaffifin) Tafseer:General explanation: Woe betide the defrauders who cheat people of their rights through the use of dishonest weights and measures—those who, when they buy from other people, demand their due in full; but when they measure or weigh things for others, they give them less than their due. Do such defrauders not know that they will be raised to life and be called to account on the great Day of Judgment—the Day when all mankind will stand before the Lord of all the worlds?! Desist, then, you wicked wrongdoers, from defrauding people and from being heedless of resurrection and judgment! The record of deeds of the wicked from among the defrauders and others is in Sijjeen—a confined space in the seventh earth. What will make you, Muhammad, realise the true reality of Sijjeen in which the record of deeds of the wicked is kept? The record of the wicked is the record in which their deeds are written. Woe on Resurrection Day betide those who deny divine judgment and recompense! None would, however, deny that day except every transgressor who exceeds Allah's limits and is immersed in sin. When the verses of the Qur'an are recited to them, he calls it a lie, saying, 'Fables of the ancients!" Desist from making such false statements! The truth is not as these wicked transgressors think it to be. The reason for their falsehoods is due to the numerous sins that have cast a veil on their hearts, preventing them from believing the Qur'an. No indeed! Such deniers of the truth will, on Resurrection Day, be screened off from their Lord and will never see Him. Then they will be cast into the Fire, to burn in it, and then be reproachfully told, 'This is the torment of the Fire that you used to deny in the life of the world.

Taste it, then!

Ouran 83: 18-36 The Defrauders (Al-Mutaffifin) Tafseer: General explanation: Desist, you wicked wrongdoers, from denying resurrection and divine judgment! The record of deeds of the obedient believers is in 'Illiyun—a highly exalted place. What will make you, Muhammad, realise the true reality of 'Illiyyun in which the record of deeds of the obedient believers is kept? The record of the obedient believers is the record in which their deeds are written. and is seen and witnessed by the angels who are drawn close to Allah. The obedient believers will be in gardens of perpetual bliss. Seated on richly canopied couches, they will be looking at Allah's Glorious Countenance, as well as all the bliss Allah will have bestowed upon them. You will recognize in their faces the radiance of joy and bliss. They will be given pure delicious wine to drink, securely sealed with a seal of musk. For all this bliss, then, let those who compete and strive for superiority strive to attain it by doing what is well-pleasing to Allah and avoiding whatever incurs His displeasure. This sealed drink is mixed with an excellent drink from a highly exalted spring, called Tasneem, from which the believers who are drawn close to Allah will drink. The unbelievers used to laugh at the believers in the life of the world; and whenever they passed by them, they would mock them by winking at one another in derision. When these wicked unbelievers returned to their families, they would return exultantly, rejoicing at having derided the believers; and whenever they saw the believers, they would say, 'These people have surely gone astray.' Yet We have not appointed the unbelievers to watch over the believers and keep count of their deeds, for them to say so! On the Day of Judgment, the believers, in their turn, will laugh at the unbelievers when they see them tormented. The believers will be comfortably seated on luxurious couches in Paradise, looking at the endless bliss prepared for them and at the unbelievers not have, then, been repaid for what they used to do to the believers in the worldly life?! Quran 84: 1-25 The Ruptured Sky (Al-Inshiqaq)

Tafseer:General explanation: When the sky is split asunder on Resurrection Day, thus listening to and obeying its Lord in true submission, and it must listen to and obey His command; when the earth is levelled out, becoming a vast even surface without any elevations or depressions, and casts forth all the dead within it to its surface, thus listening to and obeying its Lord in true submission; and it must listen to and obey His command: When such horrifying events take place, every person will know for certain what good or evil deeds he has done in the life of the world. O man, you are striving hard and toiling on towards your Lord, whom you will inevitably meet with your work, and He will repay you according to your deeds. The believers, who will be given their records of deeds in their right hands, will have an easy and lenient reckoning on the Day of Resurrection without any questioning whatsoever, and will return to their families in Paradise joyfully. But as for the unbelievers, who will be given their records of deeds in their left hands behind their backs, they will call down doom and ruin upon themselves, and will enter the Blazing Fire to burn in it. When they were in the worldly life, they lived joyfully among their families by following their whims and desires and committing sins. They were happy with the worldly life and its pleasures, and they thought that they would not be returned to their Lord after their death to repay them for their deeds. The truth, however, is not as they falsely thought it to be regarding the resurrection, for they will surely be brought back to life. Allah was ever watchful of his actions and He will repay them according to them. I swear by the redness that spreads on the horizon after sunset, and by the night and all the creatures it envelops and by the moon when it grows to its fullest and brightest that you, mankind, will move onward, stage by stage! Why then do the unbelievers not believe in the hereafter and deny the resurrection after death, and when the Qur'an is recited to them they do not prostrate themselves to Allah?! There is nothing that should prevent them from believing and prostrating themselves before Allah; in fact, they deny the Qur'an and the

resurrection out of sheer stubborn arrogance, but Allah is fully aware of the unbelief they keep hidden in their hearts. Therefore, give them, Muhammad, the news of a painful punishment. However, those among them who repent, believe in Allah and obey Him will have, in the life to come, a full reward, which will be undiminished and everlasting.

Quran 85: 1-22 Constellations of Sky (Al-Burooj)

Tafseer:General explanation: I swear by the sky with its great constellations, and by the promised Day of Resurrection and by the witness and what is witnessed that the Makers of the Ditch are destroyed and expelled from Allah's mercy—those unbelievers who dug a massive ditch into the ground, ignited a great blazing fire in it. They were expelled from Allah's mercy when they seated themselves around the ditch, watching the believers being burnt in it! The unbelievers hated and tortured these believing men and women for no reason other than that they had believed in Allah, the All-Mighty, the Praiseworthy with regard to all His attributes and deeds, to whom the dominion of the heavens and the earth and everything they contain belongs. Allah is witness over all things. Those who persecuted the believing men and women by burning them in the fire-filled ditch to turn them away from the truth and did not afterwards repent of what they had done to them will suffer the punishment of Hell and they will suffer the torment of burning. Those who believe and obey Allah's commands by doing righteous deeds will have gardens under which rivers flow; that is indeed the supreme triumph. Your Lord's punishment of the unbelievers and oppressors, Muhammad, is very severe indeed. It is He who brings into being whatever creation He wills then bring it back after its death. He is the All-Forgiving who forgives the sins of His servants, the All-Loving who loves His righteous servants and those who repent and turn to Him, Lord of the Throne, the All-Glorious, the All-Sublime, Lord of perfect honor, generosity and praiseworthy attributes. He does whatever He pleases in His kingdom and creation. Has the story of the armies reached you,

Muhammad—the armies of Pharaoh and Thamud, whom Allah punished severely and destroyed?! Yet the Quraysh unbelievers do not take warning from the terrible fate of Pharaoh and Thamud and persist in denying the Qur'an, the resurrection, Paradise and Hell, but Allah is fully aware of their actions and will surely repay them according to them. This is indeed a glorious Qur'an, that is recorded in the Preserved Tablet, which is well-protected all devils and from having any of its contents altered.

Quran 86: 1-17 The Pulsar (At-Tariq) Tafseer: General explanation: I swear by the sky and the star which appears by night. What will make you, Muhammad, realise what the star which appears by night is?! It is the bright piercing star. I swear by these that every person has angels that guard him and keep count of his deeds. Let man, then, reflect on what he is created from. He is created from seminal fluid that is poured forth, issuing from between the man's backbone and the chest bones. Allah certainly has the power to bring man back to life after his death on the Day of Resurrection when people's secret thoughts and actions are exposed and they are repaid according to them. On that day, man will have no power to prevent him from the punishment of Allah, nor will he have a helper to save him and protect him! I swear by the sky which returns the rain again and again and by the earth which splits with the growth of plants that the Qur'an is a decisive word which distinguishes truth from falsehood. It is no joke to be taken lightly nor falsehood; rather, it is all truth and is full of seriousness. The unbelievers devise evil plans to refute the truth with their evil plots, but I, too, devise plans by giving them a respite or leading them, with the favors I bestow upon them, step by step to their ruin until I destroy them while they are still persisting in their falsehood; therefore, bear with these unbelievers for a while, Muhammad, and do not seek to hasten punishment for them!

Quran 87: 1- 19 The Most High Tafseer: General explanation: Extol the limitless glory of the name of your Lord, Muhammad, declare Him exalted above all defects and imperfections and

remember Him by saying, 'Subhaana rappiyal-A'laa (Praise be to my Lord, the Most High). It is He who creates everything out of nothing, fashions it perfectly and gives it the best of forms, who predetermines the properties and measures of all creatures and guides every single creature to achieve its interests, and who brings forth from the earth the green pasture, then turns it into dry black stubble. We will inspire you and enable you, Muhammad, to recite the Qur'an from memory, and you will not forget any part it, except whatever parts of it Allah wills to make you forget. Allah knows all that is manifest and all that is kept hidden, and We will help you and make it easy for you, Muhammad, to carry out what you have been entrusted with. Remind people, Muhammad, with the Our'an, whether such reminder would be of any benefit or not. Those who fear Allah will surely heed the Qur'an and benefit from its reminder, but the unbelievers will turn away from it and not benefit from it—these will be cast into the Greatest Fire in the life to come and will suffer its intense heat, in which they will neither die and thus find rest, nor live a life which they will enjoy. Successful indeed will be those who purify themselves from unbelief and sin and remember the name of their Lord and pray to Him. But you, people, do not do remember Allah and pray to Him because you prefer the pleasures of this present life to the reward of the next, whereas Allah's reward in the life to come is far better and longer lasting than the transient pleasures of the worldly life. All this (that is, the meaning contained in the verses: Successful indeed will be those who purify themselves from unbelief and sin and remember the name of their Lord and pray to Him. But you, people, do not do remember Allah and pray to Him. But you, people, do not do remember Allah and pray to Him because you prefer the pleasures of this present life to the reward of the next, whereas Allah's reward in the life to come is far better and longer lasting than the transient pleasures of the worldly life) was indeed mentioned in the earlier scriptures—the Scriptures of Abraham and Moses.

Quran 88 : 1- 26 The Overwhelming (Al-Ghashiyah)

Tafseer: General explanation: Al-Ghashiyah is Resurrection, where people are overwhelmed with fear, Has the news of the Day of Resurrection, which will overwhelm people with its horrors and terrors, reached you, Muhammad? The faces of some people on that day will be downcast with shame and disgrace; they will be toiling and laboring hard. They will be cast into an intensely hot fire and will be given to drink from a fiercely boiling spring. They will have no food except dry thorny shrubs, which will neither nourish them, nor satisfy their hunger and quells its pangs! The believers' faces, on that day, will be radiant with bliss. They will be well-pleased with the righteous deeds they have done in the worldly life upon finding the great reward for them in the hereafter; they will be in a lofty garden, in which they will hear no vain talk. In that lofty garden there will be running springs; in it there will be raised soft couches, goblets placed before them, cushions laid in order and rich outspread rugs. Do people never look at the camels and reflect on them to see how they are created in such an amazing manner, and the sky to see how it is raised high, and the mountains to see how they are firmly set up and the earth to see how Allah has so perfectly spread it out for creatures to settle on it? Therefore, admonish people, Muhammad, and remind them with the verses of the Qur'an, for I have sent you only to remind them. You are not appointed to be in control of them, compelling them to believe in Allah and obey Him. As for those who turn away from the truth and disbelieve after having been reminded of Allah's verses, Allah will inflict on them the greatest torment of the Fire in the hereafter. To Us will they return after death, then it will be for Us to call them to account for their actions and repay them according to their deeds.

Quran 89: 1-30 The Dawn Tafseer: General explanation: I swear by the dawn, by the ten nights, by the even and the odd and by the night when it runs its course that you, unbelievers, will certainly be punished. Is there not in all this a sufficient oath for those who are endowed with reason and understanding, so that they may desist from their sins? Have you not seen, Muhammad,

how your Lord severely punished the tribe of 'Aad, the people of Iram, known for its lofty buildings, the like of which has never been created in any other land; how He inflicted His severe punishment on the tribe of Thamud who carved out homes in the mountains of their valley; and how He meted out His punishment to Pharaoh, the Lord of the Stakes? All these acted tyrannically and transgressed all bounds of equity in their lands, spreading much corruption because of their unbelief and disobedience; therefore, your Lord, Muhammad, sent down upon down a severe punishment, and they all perished. Your Lord surely observes and watches the actions of such tyrants who spread corruption in this worldly life and will destroy them. Now, when man is tried with wealth, honor and a life of ease by his Lord, he says, totally ignorant of the fact that Allah is testing him, 'My Lord has honored me with this!' But when Allah tries him with poverty, restricting his means of livelihood, he discontentedly says, totally ignorant of the fact that Allah is testing him, 'My Lord has humiliated me with this!' The truth is not as man thinks, namely that he is honored by Allah when Allah bestows wealth on him and is disgraced by Him when He restricts his means of sustenance. By no means is the truth as you, people, think! The truth is that you do not honor or show kindness to the orphans, nor do you urge one another to feed the poor. You greedily devour the inheritance of others, unjustly taking the shares of women and children, and you have an insatiable love of wealth. By no means should you do thus! Desist from being so preoccupied with the transient worldly life! When the earth is violently shaken and crushed over and over again on Resurrection Day so that everything on it is demolished and it becomes a levelled plain, and your Lord, Muhammad, comes (in a manner befitting His majesty) to the Place of Gathering to judge between people, and the angels come rank upon rank, and Hellfire is brought forth on that day—on that day man will remember his deeds, but neither his remembrance nor his repentance on that day will benefit him in any way! He will regretfully say, 'I wish I had sent forth good

deeds in the worldly life for my life in the hereafter!' On the Day of Resurrection, no one will be able to punish as Allah will then punish the dwellers of the Fire, nor will anyone bind them as Allah will then bind them. O serene soul that finds peace in faith, that believes in Allah and is certain of His promise, return to your Lord, well-pleased with your reward and well-pleasing to your Lord. Enter and be among My righteous servants, and enter My Paradise along with them.

Quran 90: 1-20 The Land (Mecca) Al-Balad Tafseer: General explanation: I swear by the land (Sacred City of Makkah) and you, Muhammad, are allowed to fight in it to the exclusion of all else—and I swear by every parent and their offspring that We have created man into a life of toil and hardship from the beginning of his life until his death. Does man, then, imagine that no one has power over him? He says in a vain and ostentatious manner, having squandered his wealth on vanities and in the indulgence of his desires, 'I have spent abundant wealth!' Does he think that Allah does not see him when he squanders his wealth on vanities? Have We not given him two eyes with which he can see, and a tongue and two lips, and We have shown him the two ways of good and evil?! Yet the rich man has not attempted the difficult steep ascent and overcome it by striving against his lower self, whims and Satan and spending his wealth on good causes. What will make you, Muhammad, realise what attempting the difficult steep ascent and overcoming it? Overcoming it can be realised by freeing a slave or feeding, in times of severe famine, an orphan relative or a needy person who is lying in the dust because of his great need and, above all, to be of those who believe and urge each other to observe steadfastness and show mercy and compassion to the needy and the orphans. Those who have such attributes are the Companions of the Right Hand. As for those who disbelieve in the signs of Allah bearing witness to His power and oneness, they are the Companions of the Left Hand. The Fire will be sealed over them, and they will never come out of it.

Quran 91: 1-15 The Sun Tafseer:General explanation: I swear by

the sun and its brightness, by the moon when it follows the sun, by the day when it reveals the sun and its brightness, by the night when it veils it and takes away its brightness, by the sky and the One who has built it, by the earth and the One who has spread it out and by every soul and the One who has created it, given it life and shown it the way of good and evil, obedience and disobedience—I swear by all these that successful indeed are those who cleanse their souls of all unbelief and sins and strengthen them with faith and righteous deeds, and ruined and miserable are those who corrupt their souls and bury them in sin, vice and wickedness. In their arrogance and excessive tyranny, the people of Thamud denied the truth that their messenger, Salih, had brought them when the most wretched and wicked of them rose up to kill the she-camel. Their messenger, Salih, warned them, saying, 'Beware of harming Allah's she-camel in any way, and beware of preventing her from having her share of water on the day Allah has appointed for her.' But they rejected their Prophet, Salih, calling him a liar, and cruelly slaughtered the she-camel out of sheer unbelief and stubbornness. Therefore, Allah completely destroyed the people of Thamud for having killed the she-camel and made their punishment equal to them all. Allah does not fear the consequences of His destruction of the people of Thamud. Quran 92: 1-21 The Night Tafseer: General explanation: I swear by the night when it covers everything with its darkness, by the day when it brightens up and appears in glory and by Allah who has created the male and the female, all by His power, that your actions and endeavours, mankind, are different—among you are the unbelievers and the believers, the disobedient and the obedient. For those who spend out of their wealth for the cause of Allah, fear Allah and believe in Paradise, We will make easy for them the doing of good deeds that will eventually lead to Paradise; as for those who are tight-fisted with their wealth, think themselves so self-sufficient to need Allah and do not believe in Paradise, We will make easy for them the doing of bad deeds

that will eventually lead to the Fire. Their wealth, which they so stingily withhold, will not benefit them when they fall down into Hell. It is for Us to clearly show people the way of guidance and truth, and surely to Us alone belong the life to come and the life of this world and We have full control of them both. I have, therefore, warned you, mankind, of the blazing Fire of Hell, which none will enter to be burnt and to suffer its heat except the wretched unbelievers who deny the truth and stubbornly refuse to follow it. The believers, however, who fear Allah's wrath and punishment and spend out of their wealth for the cause of Allah thereby seeking to purify themselves will be kept away from it. They spend out of their wealth not to return a favor done them by someone, but only to seek the good pleasure of their Lord, the Most High. They will certainly be well-pleased with the reward which Allah has in store for them in the life to come.

Quran 93: 1-11 Adh-Dhuha Tafseer:General explanation: I swear by the day when its light spreads in the forenoon and by the night when it grows still and intensely dark that your Lord, Muhammad, has not forsaken you, nor is He displeased with you. The reward in the life to come is far better for you than this present life and everything in it, and your Lord will bestow so much good on you until you are well-pleased. Did He not find you, Muhammad, an orphan and made others shelter you and take care of you? Did He not find you totally unaware of knowledge of the Qur'an and faith and taught you and guided you to them? Did He not find you poor and made you self-sufficient? Therefore, do not humiliate and oppress the orphans, nor berate and drive away those who ask your help, but do speak to people about the favors that your Lord has bestowed upon you.

Quran 94: 1-8 Ash-Sharh Tafseer:General explanation: Have We not expanded and opened your heart for you, Muhammad, so you may know and receive right guidance and act in accord with the truth? Have We not forgiven you your sins whose burden has weighed heavily on you, exalted your mention and raised high your esteem in which you are held? For truly with difficulty and

hardship come ease and relief; truly with difficulty and hardship come ease and relief. Therefore, when you have finished whatever you may have to do, Muhammad, strive hard to worship Allah and pray to Him; and seek to please your Lord alone in all your deeds and acts of worship.

Quran 95: 1-8 The Fig Tafseer:General explanation: I swear by the fig and the olive, by Mount Sinai on which Allah spoke to Moses and by the safe and secure city—Makkah—that We have created man in the best form and the finest upright stature and endowed him with pure nature. Then We will reduce him to the lowest of the low in Hell if he disbelieves, except for those who believe and do righteous deeds. These will have a full reward, which will be undiminished and everlasting. What, then, should make you, man, deny the final judgment of people for their deeds after their death?! Is Allah not the most just of judges to judge among people?!

Quran 96: 1-19 Clot (Al-Alaq) Tafseer: General explanation: Read the Qur'an that has been revealed to you, Muhammad, beginning by mentioning the name of your Lord, the Creator, who has created man from a small blood clot (a piece of thick coagulated blood). Read the Qur'an! Your Lord is the Most Bounteous, who has taught man writing with the pen; He has taught man the sciences that he did not know. Indeed, man tends to transgress all bounds if his wealth grows and sees himself selfsufficient and rich because of whatever Allah has bestowed upon him! Surely to your Lord, Muhammad, all must return. Have you seen the tyrant Abu Jahl who forbids you from praying, Muhammad? What if the servant forbidden from praying is rightly guided by praying to his Lord or enjoins others to be God-fearing?! How can he be forbidden? from doing so?! Have you seen, Muhammad, this tyrant who has denied the truth and stubbornly refused to follow it, does he not know that Allah is aware of him and is fully aware of everything he says and does? No indeed! If he does not desist from forbidding Muhammad from praying, We will drag him by the forelock in utter humiliation—such a lying

forelock in its statements and sinful in its actions. Let Abu Jahl, then, call his council among his people and clan to his assistance, We also will call the stern and mighty angels of punishment. No indeed! Do not obey him, Muhammad, when he forbids you from praying, but continue to prostrate yourself before your Lord in your prayer and draw closer to Him.

Quran 97: 1-5 Al-Qadr Tafseer:General explanation: We sent the Qur'an down on the Night of Power (Laytal-ul-Qadr) in the month of Ramadan. What will make you realise what the Night of Power is, Muhammad?! The Night of Power, in its goodness and blessings and the reward for the good deeds done during in is far better than a thousand months. On that night the Angels and Gabriel descend from the heavens to earth, by the permission of their Lord, with His decrees concerning every matter. It is a night that is all peace and is free from all evil and harm, and that is from sunset until the break of dawn.

Ouran 98: 1-8 The Clear Evidence Tafseer:General explanation: The unbelievers from among the Jews and the Christians and the idolaters were not going to leave their religion until the clear sign and evidence from their Lord bearing witness to the truth came to them. Such clear evidence is the Messenger of Allah Muhammad, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, reciting to them the Qur'an that is written on pages which are purified from all falsehood, containing upright precepts and commandments. The Jews and the Christians differed about Muhammad, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, only after Allah had sent him as a messenger, with the result that some of them believed him while others denied him! They were only commanded to worship Allah Alone with sincere dedication and purity of faith, abstaining from ascribing any partners to Him, and to perform the prescribed prayers and pay the prescribed charity (zakat). That is indeed the straight and just religion of Islam. The unbelievers from among the Jews and the Christians and the idolaters will be in the Fire of Hell, in which they will abide for ever. These are the worst of all creatures. But those who

believe and do righteous deeds are the best of all creatures. Their reward with their Lord will be gardens of perpetual bliss under which rivers flow, in which they will abide for all eternity. Allah is well-pleased with them and will accept their good deeds, and they are well-pleased with Him for the bounties He has in store for them. That rich reward will be for those who fear their lord by doing what He commands and avoiding what He forbids.

Quran 99: 1-8 The Quake Tafseer: General explanation: When the earth is shaken violently on the Day of Resurrection, and it brings forth the dead buried in it for judgment and recompense, and man perplexedly asks, 'What is happening to it, being so violently shaken and bringing forth its burdens?!'—on that day the earth will speak of all the good and evil deeds that people have done on its surface, for Allah will have inspired and commanded it to do so. On that day people will go forth to the Place of Gathering to see the result of their deeds. Therefore, whoever has done an atom's weight of good in this present life will see its reward in the next, and whoever has done an atom's weight of evil in this world will see its result in the hereafter.

Quran 100: 1-11 The War Horses (Al-Adiyat) Tafseer:General explanation: Al-Adiyat means galloping horses in battles, I swear by the war horses which run so swiftly that they snort hard, by those that strike sparks of fire as they dash their hooves against stones while running, and by those that make a sudden attack on the enemy early in the morning, leaving a trailing cloud of dust in their wake and cleaving thorough the middle of the enemy that man is indeed very ungrateful to his Lord despite all the blessing He has bestowed upon him, that man himself bears witness to this and that he is passionate in his love for wealth. Does man not, then, know his ultimate end when Allah brings forth the dead from their graves for judgment and recompense and reveals the secrets of people's hearts?! Their Lord will, on Resurrection Day, have full knowledge of them and will repay them according to their deeds and treat them as they deserve.

Quran 101: 1-11 The Shocker (Al-Qari'ah) Tafseer: General

explanation: The Shocker—the Resurrection Day that will strike people's hearts with terror! What is the Striker?! And what will make you realise what this great Striker is, Muhammad?! It is the Day of Resurrection—the day people will come forth from their graves like scattered moths and the mountains will be like carded wool which is driven by the wind in the air. Those whose balance will be heavy with good deeds will live a happy life in Paradise; but as for those who balance will be light in that their evil deeds will outweigh their good deeds, their abode will be Hell, which is bottomless and into which they will fall headlong. What will make you realise what such a bottomless abyss is, Muhammad?! It is a fiercely blazing Fire.

Quran 102: 1-8 The Reproduction (At-Takathur) Tafseer:General explanation: Greed for more and more wealth and children keep diverting you, mankind, from obeying Allah until the time comes when you must die and be buried in your graves. Desist, then, from being so diverted from obeying Allah by multiplying your riches and offspring, for you will know the dire consequences of doing so after your death. Again, you will know the dire consequences of doing so after your death. By no means! If you knew with certainty that Allah will bring you back to life on Resurrection Day to repay you for your deeds, you would not act thus and the desire of multiplying wealth and children would not divert you from obeying Him. I swear that you will certainly see the Blazing Fire in the hereafter. Again, I swear that you will see the Blazing Fire in the hereafter with absolute certainty. I further swear that you will be questioned on Resurrection Day about the worldly pleasures you enjoyed.

Quran 103: 1-3 Al-Asr Tafseer:General explanation: I swear by the time that every human being is in loss and ruin, except for those who believe, do righteous deeds, and urge one another to follow the religion of Islam and to be patient and steadfast in doing so.

Quran 104 : 1- 9 The Slanderer (Al-Humazah) Tafseer:General explanation : On the Day of Resurrection, woe betide every

taunting slanderer and backbiter, who amasses a great deal of wealth and greedily counts it again and again, thinking that his wealth will make him live in this life for ever! By no means is what such a person thinks true! I swear that he will, on Resurrection Day, be flung into the Fire that breaks and crushes everything that is cast into it! And what will make you realise what the Crushing Fire is, Muhammad?! It is the kindled Fire of Allah that burns fiercely with people and stones as its fuel, and is so intense that it reaches right into the unbelievers' hearts, penetrating deep into them. That fire will be closed and sealed over them with extended columns in it, so that they will never be able to leave it. Quran 105: 1-5 The Elephant Tafseer: General explanation: Have you not seen, Muhammad, how your Lord dealt with Abrahah and his army who had set out to destroy the Ka'bah, accompanied by an elephant to destroy it? Did Allah not frustrate their evil design to demolish the Ka'bah? He sent against them many flocks of birds, following one another, which cast down upon them stones of hard, baked clay, and so Allah made them like discarded, withered stalks of plants!

Quran 106: 1-4 Quraysh Tafseer: General explanation: On account of, and in acknowledgement of, the established tradition of the Quraysh to undertake a trading journey every year to Yemen in winter and a trading journey to Syria in summer in complete safety, let them worship the Lord of the Sacred House, who has provided them with food against hunger and given them peace and security against all fear.

Quran 107: 1-7 Al-Ma'on Tafseer: General explanation: Have you seen him, Muhammad, who denies the judgment on the Day of Resurrection? It is he who harshly repulses the orphans and never honor or show kindness to them, and does not urge others to feed the poor! Woe, then, betide those who are heedless and negligent of their prayers, who pray only to be seen and praised by people or in the hope of securing a worldly benefit, and who deny all assistance to others by not allowing them to benefit from what they have, It was said in the interpretation of (Al-Ma'on): it is

meant what is borrowed, such as pot, bowl, ax, needle, and so forth, which people have known to borrow from each other, especially among neighbors.

Ouran 108: 1-3 Al-Kawthar Tafseer: General explanation: We have given you, Muhammad, a river in Paradise called Al-Kawthar; therefore, give thanks to Allah by praying to Him alone and sacrificing to Him alone. He who hates you, Muhammad, is certainly the one who will be cut off from all that is good. Quran 109: 1-6 The Disbelievers Tafseer:General explanation: Say, Muhammad, to all the disbelievers, declaring yourself clear of their religion and worship, 'You who disbelieve in Allah, I do not worship at present what you worship, nor do you worship Allah whom I worship—as long as you stubbornly persist in your misguidance. I will never worship the false gods that you, unbelievers, worship, nor will you ever worship Allah whom I worship—as long as you stubbornly persist in your misguidance. You have your religion of which I have declared myself clear, and I have my own religion—Islam—which affirms Allah's oneness.

Quran 110: 1-3 Victory (An-Nasr) Tafseer: General explanation: When Allah helps you, Muhammad, against your enemies and you enter Makkah victoriously, and you see the Arabs embracing Islam in crowds, celebrate the praises of your Lord, declaring Him free from all defects and imperfections, and seek His forgiveness; Allah is ever ready to accept His servants' repentance and forgive their sins.

Quran 111: 1-5 Al-Masad Tafseer:General explanation: May the hands of Abu Lahab perish! He will indeed perish! Neither his wealth nor his children or any other worldly gains will benefit him. He will enter an intensely blazing Fire, and so will his wife, the firewood carrier, who will have a rope of twisted strands around her neck!

Quran 112: 1-4 Monotheism Tafseer: General explanation: Say, Muhammad, 'He is Allah, the One and Only God with regard to His Being and His Attributes; the Eternal and Absolute God with

perfect attributes, to whom all creation turns for help. He has not begotten anyone, nor was He Himself begotten by anyone, and there is no one and nothing that resembles Him in any way or is equivalent to Him in any respect whatsoever.

Quran 113: 1-5 Al-Falaq Tafseer:General explanation: Say, Muhammad, 'I seek refuge in the Creator of the daybreak from the evil of whatever He has created, from the evil of the night when it comes and grows intensely dark, from the evil of those witches who, while performing magic with the intent to harm, blow on knots which they tie in a cord and from the evil of the envier when he envies.

Quran 114: 1-6 Mankind (An-Nas) Tafseer: General explanation: Say, Muhammad, 'I seek refuge in the Lord and Creator of mankind, the King and Master of mankind and the True God of mankind who alone deserves to be worshipped, from the evil of Satan who whispers evil suggestions and then withdraws from people when they mention their Lord, who whispers evil thoughts into the hearts of people, from among the devils of the jinn and the devils of mankind.