therefrom? Nay, the Zālimūn (polytheists and wrong-doers) promise one another nothing but delusions."

41. Verily! Allāh grasps the heavens and the earth lest they should move away from their places, and if they were to move away from their places, there is not one that could grasp them after Him. Truly, He is Ever Most Forbearing, Oft-Forgiving.[1]

42. And they swore by Allāh their most binding oath that if a warner came to them, they would be more guided than any of the nations (before them); yet when a warner (Muhammad ﷺ came to them, it increased in them nothing but flight (from the truth).

43. (They took to flight because of their) arrogance in the land and their plotting of evil. But the evil plot encompasses only him who makes it. Then, can they expect anything (else) but the Sunnah (way of dealing) of the peoples of old? So no change will you find in Allāh’s Sunnah (way of dealing), and no turning off will you find in Allāh’s Sunnah (way of dealing).

44. Have they not travelled in the land, and seen what was the end of those before them — though they were superior to them in power? Allāh is not such that anything in the heavens or in the earth escapes Him. Verily, He is All-Knowing, All-Omnipotent.

45. And if Allāh were to punish men for that which they earned, He would not leave a moving (living) creature on the surface of the earth; but He gives them respite to an appointed term: and when their term comes, then verily, Allāh is Ever All-Seer of His slaves.

[1] (V.35:41) Narrated Abū Hurairah رضي الله عنه: I heard Allah’s Messenger ﷺ saying, "(On the Day of Resurrection) Allāh will grasp the whole planet of earth (by His Hand), and roll all the heavens up with His Right Hand, and then He will say, 'I am the King; where are the kings of the earth?' " (Sahih Al-Bukhari, Vol.6, Hadith No.336).
In the Name of Allâh
the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.

1. Yâ-Sîn.

[These letters are one of the miracles of the Qur’ân, and none but Allâh (Alone) knows their meanings].

2. By the Qur’ân, full of wisdom (i.e. full of laws, evidences, and proofs),

3. Truly, you (O Muhammad  صلى الله عليه وسلم) are one of the Messengers,

4. On the Straight Path (i.e. on Allâh’s religion of Islâmic Monotheism).

5. (This is a Revelation) sent down by the All-Mighty, the Most Merciful,

6. In order that you may warn a people whose forefathers were not warned, so they are heedless.

7. Indeed the Word (of punishment) has proved true against most of them, so they will not believe.

8. Verily We have put on their necks iron collars reaching to the chins, so that their heads are raised up.

9. And We have put a barrier before them, and a barrier behind them, and We have covered them up, so that they cannot see.

10. It is the same to them whether you warn them or you warn them not, they will not believe.

11. You can only warn him who follows the Reminder (the Qur’ân), and fears the Most Gracious (Allâh) unseen. Bear you to
such one the glad tidings of forgiveness, and a generous reward (i.e. Paradise).

12. Verily, We give life to the dead, and We record that which they send before (them), and their traces[1] and all things We have recorded with numbers (as a record) in a Clear Book.

13. And put forward to them a similitude: the (story of the) dwellers of the town, [it is said that the town was Antioch (Antākiya)], when there came Messengers to them.

14. When We sent to them two Messengers, they belied them both; so We reinforced them with a third, and they said: “Verily we have been sent to you as Messengers.”

15. They (people of the town) said: “You are only human beings like ourselves, and the Most Gracious (Allāh) has revealed nothing. You are only telling lies.”

16. The Messengers said: “Our Lord knows that we have been sent as Messengers to you,

17. “And our duty is only to convey plainly (the Message).”

18. They (people) said: “For us, we see an evil omen from you: if you cease not, we will surely stone you, and a painful torment will touch you from us.”

19. They (Messengers) said: “Your evil omens be with you! (Do you call it “evil omen”) because you are admonished? Nay, but you are a people Musrīfūn (transgressing

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[1]: V.36:12: Traces [their footsteps and walking on the earth with their legs to the mosques for the five compulsory congregational prayers, Jihād (holy fighting in Allāh’s Cause) and all other good and evil they did, and that which they leave behind]
all bounds by committing all kinds of great sins, and by disobeying Allah).

20. And there came a man running from the farthest part of the town. He said: "O my people! Obey the Messengers.

21. "Obey those who ask no wages of you (for themselves), and who are rightly guided.

22. "And why should I not worship Him (Allah Alone) Who has created me and to Whom you shall be returned.

23. "Shall I take besides Him 'Alihah (gods)? If the Most Gracious (Allah) intends me any harm, their intercession will be of no use for me whatsoever, nor can they save me?

24. "Then verily, I should be in plain error.

25. "Verily! I have believed in your Lord, so listen to me!"

26. It was said (to him when the disbelievers killed him): "Enter Paradise." He said: "Would that my people knew[1]"

27. "That my Lord (Allah) has forgiven me, and made me of the honoured ones!"

[1] (V.36:26)
a) Narrated Abu Mūsā: Allah's Messenger صلی الله عليه و سلم said, "My example and the example of the Message with which Allah has sent me is like that of a man who came to some people and said, 'I have seen with my own eyes the enemy forces, and I am a naked warner (to you) so save yourselves, save yourselves.' A group of them obeyed him and went out at night, slowly and stealthily, and were safe, while another group did not believe him and thus the army took them in the morning and destroyed them." (Sahih Al-Bukhari, Vol. 8, Hadith No. 489).

b) Narrated Anas bin Malik: The Prophet صلی الله عليه و سلم said, "Nobody who enters Paradise likes to go back to the world even if he got everything on the earth, except a martyr who wishes to return to the world so that he may be martyred ten times because of the honour and dignity he received (from Allah)." (Sahih Al-Bukhari, Vol. 4, Hadith No. 72)

c) Narrated 'Abdullah bin Abī Aufā: Allah's Messenger صلی الله عليه وسلم said, "Know that Paradise is under the shades of swords. (Jihād in Allah's Cause)." (Sahih Al-Bukhari, Vol. 4, Hadith No. 73)

d) Narrated Anas bin Malik: The Prophet صلی الله عليه وسلم used to say, "O Allah! I seek refuge with You from helplessness, laziness, cowardice and senile old age; I seek refuge with You from Fītan (trials and afflictions) of life and death and seek refuge with You from the punishment in the grave." (Sahih Al-Bukhari, Vol. 4, Hadith No. 77)

e) Narrated Abdullah bin Umar: I heard Allah's Messenger صلی الله عليه وسلم saying, "People are just like camels: out of one hundred, one can hardly find a single camel suitable to ride." (Sahih Al-Bukhari, Vol. 8, Hadith No. 505)
28. And We sent not against his people after him a host from the heaven, nor was it needful for Us to send (such a thing).

29. It was but one Saihah (shout) and lo! they (all) were still (silent, dead, destroyed).

30. Alas for mankind! There never came a Messenger to them but they used to mock at him.

31. Do they not see how many of the generations We have destroyed before them? Verily, they will not return to them.

32. And surely, all — everyone of them will be brought before Us.

33. And a sign for them is the dead land. We give it life, and We bring forth from it grains, so that they eat thereof.

34. And We have made therein gardens of date-palms and grapes, and We have caused springs of water to gush forth therein.

35. So that they may eat of the fruit thereof — and their hands made it not. Will they not, then, give thanks?

36. Glory be to Him Who has created all the pairs of that which the earth produces, as well as of their own (human) kind (male and female), and of that which they know not.

37. And a sign for them is the night. We withdraw therefrom the day, and behold, they are in darkness.

38. And the sun runs on its fixed course for a term (appointed). That is the Decree of the All-Mighty, the All-Knowing.

39. And the moon, We have measured for it mansions (to traverse) till it returns like the old dried curved date stalk.

40. It is not for the sun to overtake the moon, nor does the night outstrip the day. They all float, each in an orbit.
41. And an Ayah (sign) for them is that We bore their offspring in the laden ship [of Nuh (Noah)].

42. And We have created for them of the like thereunto, on which they ride.

43. And if We will, We shall drown them, and there will be no shout (or helper) for them (to hear their cry for help), nor will they be saved.

44. Unless it be a mercy from Us, and as an enjoyment for a while.

45. And when it is said to them: “Fear of that which is before you (worldly torments), and that which is behind you (torments in the Hereafter), in order that you may receive Mercy (i.e. if you believe in Allah’s religion — Islāmic Monotheism, and avoid polytheism, and obey Allah with righteous deeds).”

46. And never came an Ayah from among the Ayāt (proofs, evidences, verses, lessons, signs, revelations, etc.) of their Lord to them, but they did turn away from it.

47. And when it is said to them: “Spend of that which Allah has provided you,” those who disbelieve say to those who believe: “Shall we feed those whom, if Allah willed, He (Himself) would have fed? You are only in a plain error.”

48. And they say: “When will this promise (i.e. Resurrection) be fulfilled, if you are truthful?”

49. They await only but a single Saikhah (shout) which will seize them while they are disputing!

50. Then they will not be able to make bequest, nor they will return to their family.

51. And the Trumpet will be blown (i.e. the second blowing) and behold from the
graves they will come out quickly to their Lord.

52. They will say: “Woe to us! Who has raised us up from our place of sleep.” (It will be said to them): “This is what the Most Gracious (Allâh) had promised, and the Messengers spoke truth!”

53. It will be but a single Saihah (shout), so behold they will all be brought up before Us!

54. This Day (Day of Resurrection), none will be wronged in anything, nor will you be requited anything except that which you used to do.

55. Verily, the dwellers of the Paradise, that Day, will be busy with joyful things.

56. They and their wives will be in pleasant shade, reclining on thrones.

57. They will have therein fruits (of all kinds) and all that they ask for.

58. (It will be said to them): Salâm (peace be on you) — a Word from the Lord (Allâh), Most Merciful.

59. (It will be said): “And O you Mujrimûn (criminals, polytheists, sinners, disbelievers in the Islâmic Monotheism, wicked evil ones)! Get you apart this Day (from the believers).

60. Did I not command you, O Children of Adam, that you should not worship Shaitân (Satan). Verily, he is a plain enemy to you.

61. And that you should worship Me [Alone — Islâmic Monotheism, and set up not rivals, associate-gods with Me]. That is the Straight Path.\[1]\n
\[1\] (V.36:61) See the footnote of (V.2:22).
62. And indeed he (Satan) did lead astray a great multitude of you. Did you not, then, understand?

63. This is Hell which you were promised!

64. Burn therein this Day, for that you used to disbelieve.\[1\]

65. This Day, We shall seal up their mouths, and their hands will speak to Us, and their legs will bear witness to what they used to earn. (It is said that one’s left thigh will be the first to bear the witness). [Tafsir At-Tabari,]

66. And if it had been Our Will, We would surely have wiped out (blinded) their eyes, so that they would struggle for the Path, how then would they see?

67. And if it had been Our Will, We could have transformed them (into animals or lifeless objects) in their places. Then they would have been unable to go forward (move about) nor they could have turned back.\[2\]

68. And he whom We grant long life— We reverse him in creation (weakness after strength). Will they not then understand?

69. And We have not taught him (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم poetry), nor is it suitable for him. This is only a Reminder and a plain Qur’ân.

70. That he or it (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم or the Qur’ân) may give warning to him who is living (a healthy minded — the believer), and that Word (charge) may be justified against the disbelievers (dead, as they reject the warnings).

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\[1\] (V.36:64) See the footnote of (V.3:91).
\[2\] (V.36:67) See (V.7:166) and the footnote of (V.5:90).
71. Do they not see that We have created for them of what Our Hands have created the cattle, so that they are their owners.

72. And We have subdued them unto them so that some of them they have for riding and some they eat.

73. And they have (other) benefits from them, and they get (milk) to drink. Will they not then be grateful?

74. And they have taken besides Allâh âliyah (gods), hoping that they might be helped (by those so-called gods).

75. They cannot help them, but they will be brought forward as a troop against those who worshipped them (at the time of Reckoning).

76. So let not their speech, then, grieve you (O Muhammad ﷺ). Verily, We know what they conceal and what they reveal.

77. Does not man see that We have created him from Nutfah (mixed male and female sexual discharge — semen drops). Yet behold he (stands forth) as an open opponent.

78. And he puts forth for Us a parable, and forgets his own creation. He says: "Who will give life to these bones after they are rotten and have become dust?"

79. Say: (O Muhammad ﷺ) "He will give life to them Who created them for the first time! And He is the All-Knower of every creation!"

80. He Who produces for you fire out of the green tree, when behold you kindle therewith.

81. Is not He Who created the heavens and the earth, Able to create the like of them? Yes, indeed! He is the All-Knowing Supreme Creator.
82. Verily, His Command, when He intends a thing, is only that He says to it, “Be!” — and it is!

83. So glorified be He and exalted above all that they associate with Him, and in Whose Hands is the dominion of all things: and to Him you shall be returned.

In the Name of Allâh
the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.

1. By those (angels) ranged in ranks (or rows).

2. By those (angels) who drive the clouds in a good way.

3. By those (angels) who bring the Book and the Qur'ân from Allâh to mankind [Tafsîr Ibn Kathîr].

4. Verily your Ilâh (God) is indeed One (i.e. Allâh):

5. Lord of the heavens and of the earth, and all that is between them, and Lord of every point of the sun's risings.\(^1\)

6. Verily We have adorned the near heaven with the stars (for beauty).\(^2\)

7. And to guard against every rebellious devil.

8. They cannot listen to the higher group (angels) for they are pelted from every side.

9. Outcast, and theirs is a constant (or painful) torment.

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\(^{1}\) (V.37:5) The sun has approx. 365 points for its rising and 365 points for its setting (i.e. the number of days of a solar year). Every day it rises and sets in a new point, till the end of the year, then it comes back to the same point after a year. [See Tafsîr Al-Qurtubi.]

\(^{2}\) (V. 37:6) See the footnote of (V.6:97).
10. Except such as snatch away something by stealing, and they are pursued by a flaming fire of piercing brightness.

11. Then ask them (i.e. these polytheists, O Muhammad ﷺ): “Are they stronger as creation, or those (others like the heavens and the earth and the mountains) whom We have created?” Verily, We created them of a sticky clay.

12. Nay, you (O Muhammad ﷺ) wondered (at their insolence) while they mock (at you and at the Qur’an).

13. And when they are reminded, they pay no attention.

14. And when they see an Ayah (a sign, or an evidence) from Allâh, they mock at it.

15. And they say: “This is nothing but evident magic!

16. “When we are dead and have become dust and bones, shall we (then) verily be resurrected?

17. “And also our fathers of old?”

18. Say (O Muhammad ﷺ): “Yes, and you shall then be humiliated.”

19. It will be a single Zajrah [shout (i.e. the second blowing of the Trumpet)], and behold, they will be staring!

20. They will say: “Woe to us! This is the Day of Recompense!”

21. (It will be said): “This is the Day of Judgement which you used to deny.”

22. (It will be said to the angels): “Assemble those who did wrong, together with their companions (from the devils) and what they used to worship,

23. “Instead of Allâh, and lead them on to the way of flaming Fire (Hell);
24. “But stop them, verily they are to be questioned.

25. “What is the matter with you? Why do you not help one another (as you used to do in the world)?”

26. Nay, but that Day they shall surrender.

27. And they will turn to one another and question one another.

28. They will say: “It was you who used to come to us from the right side [i.e. from the right side of one of us and beautify for us every evil, enjoin on us polytheism, and stop us from the truth i.e. Islamic Monotheism and from every good deed].”

29. They will reply: “Nay, you yourselves were not believers.

30. “And we had no authority over you. Nay! But you were Tâghûn (transgressing) people (polytheists, and disbelievers).

31. “So now the Word of our Lord has been justified against us, that we shall certainly (have to) taste (the torment).

32. “So we led you astray because we were ourselves astray.”

33. Then verily, that Day, they will (all) share in the torment.

34. Certainly, that is how We deal with Al-Mujrimûn (polytheists, sinners, disbelievers, criminals, the disobedient to Allâh).

35. Truly, when it was said to them: Lâ ilâha illâllâh “(none has the right to be worshipped but Allâh),” they puffed themselves up with pride[1] (i.e. denied it).

36. And (they) said: “Are we going to abandon our āliyah (gods) for the sake of a mad poet?

37. Nay! he (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) has come with the truth (i.e. Allâh’s religion — Islâmic Monotheism and this Qur’ân) and he confirms the Messengers (before him who brought Allâh’s religion — Islâmic Monotheism).

38. Verily, you (pagans of Makkah) are going to taste the painful torment;

39. And you will be requited nothing except for what you used to do (evil deeds, sins, and Allâh’s disobedience which you used to do in this world)

40. Save the chosen slaves of Allâh (i.e. the true believers of Islâmic Monotheism).

41. For them there will be a known provision (in Paradise),

42. Fruits; and they shall be honoured,

43. In the Gardens of delight (Paradise),

44. Facing one another on thrones.

45. Round them will be passed a cup of pure wine —

46. White, delicious to the drinkers.

47. Neither will they have Ghoul (any kind of hurt, abdominal pain, headache, a sin) from that, nor will they suffer intoxication therefrom.

48. And beside them will be Qâsirât-at-Tarf [chaste females (wives), restraining their glances (desiring none except their husbands)], with wide and beautiful eyes.\[1\]

\[1\] (V.37:48) See the footnote of (V.29:64).
49. (Delicate and pure) as if they were (hidden) eggs (well) preserved.

50. Then they will turn to one another, mutually questioning.

51. A speaker of them will say: “Verily, I had a companion (in the world),

52. Who used to say: “Are you among those who believe (in resurrection after death).

53. “(That) when we die and become dust and bones, shall we indeed (be raised up) to receive reward or punishment (according to our deeds)?”

54. (The speaker) said: “Will you look down?”

55. So he looked down and saw him in the midst of the Fire.

56. He said: “By Allah! You have nearly ruined me.

57. “Had it not been for the Grace of my Lord, I would certainly have been among those brought forth (to Hell).”

58. “(The dwellers of Paradise will say) Are we then not to die (any more)?

59. “Except our first death, and we shall not be punished? (after we have entered Paradise).”

60. Truly, this is the supreme success!

61. For the like of this let the workers work.

62. Is that (Paradise) better entertainment or the tree of Zaqqūm (a horrible tree in Hell)?

63. Truly We have made it (as) a trail for the Zālimūn (polytheists, disbelievers, wrong-doers).
64. Verily, it is a tree that springs out of the bottom of Hell-fire,

65. The shoots of its fruit-stalks are like the heads of Shayâtîn (devils);

66. Truly, they will eat thereof and fill their bellies therewith.

67. Then on the top of that they will be given boiling water to drink so that it becomes a mixture (of boiling water and Zaqqûm in their bellies).

68. Then thereafter, verily, their return is to the flaming fire of Hell.

69. Verily, they found their fathers on the wrong path;

70. So they (too) hastened in their footsteps!

71. And indeed most of the men of old went astray before them;

72. And indeed We sent among them warners (Messengers);

73. Then see what was the end of those who were warned (but heeded not).

74. Except the chosen slaves of Allâh (faithful, obedient, and true believers of Islâmic Monotheism).

75. And indeed Nûh (Noah) invoked Us, and We are the Best of those who answer (the request).

76. And We rescued him and his family from the great distress (i.e. drowning),

77. And, his progeny, them We made the survivors (i.e. Shem, Ham and Japheth).

78. And left for him (a goodly remembrance) among the later generations:

79. “Salâm (peace) be upon Nûh (Noah) (from Us) among the ‘Alâmîn (mankind, jinn and all that exists)!”
80. Verily, thus We reward the Muhsinun (good-doers — See V.2:112).

81. Verily, he [Nûh (Noah)] was one of Our believing slaves.

82. Then We drowned the others (disbelievers and polytheists).

83. And, verily, among those who followed his [Nûh’s (Noah)] way (Islâmic Monotheism) was Ibrâhîm (Abraham).

84. When he came to his Lord with a pure heart [attached to Allâh Alone and none else, worshipping none but Allâh Alone — true Islâmic Monotheism, pure from the filth of polytheism].

85. When he said to his father and to his people: “What is it that which you worship?

86. “Is it a falsehood — âlihah (gods) other than Allâh — that you desire?

87. “Then what think you about the Lord of the ’Alamîn (mankind, jinn, and all that exists)?”

88. Then he cast a glance at the stars,

89. And he said: “Verily, I am sick[1] (with plague). [He did this trick to remain in their temple of idols to destroy them and not to accompany them to the pagan feast)].”

90. So they turned away from him, and departed (for fear of the disease).

91. Then he turned to their âlihah (gods) and said: “Will you not eat (of the offering before you)?

92. “What is the matter with you that you speak not?”

[1] (V.37:89) See the footnote (C) of (V.16:121).
93. Then he turned upon them, striking (them) with (his) right hand.

94. Then they (the worshippers of idols) came, towards him, hastening.

95. He said: “Worship you that which you (yourselves) carve?”

96. “While Allâh has created you and what you make!”

97. They said: “Build for him a building (it is said that the building was like a furnace) and throw him into the blazing fire!”

98. So they plotted a plot against him, but We made them the lowest.

99. And he said (after his rescue from the fire): “Verily, I am going to my Lord. He will guide me!”

100. “My Lord! Grant me (offspring) from the righteous.”

101. So We gave him the glad tidings of a forbearing boy.

102. And, when he (his son) was old enough to walk with him, he said: “O my son! I have seen in a dream that I am slaughtering you (offering you in sacrifice to Allâh). So look what you think!” He said: “O my father! Do that which you are commanded, Inshâ’ Allâh (if Allâh wills), you shall find me of As-Sâbirûn (the patient).”

103. Then, when they had both submitted themselves (to the Will of Allâh), and he had laid him prostrate on his forehead (or on the side of his forehead for slaughtering);

104. We called out to him: “O Abraham!

105. You have fulfilled the dream!” Verily thus do We reward the Muhsînûn (good-doers — See 2:112).

106. Verily, that indeed was a manifest trial.
107. And We ransomed him with a great sacrifice (i.e. a ram);

108. And We left for him (a goodly remembrance) among the later generations.

109. “Salām (peace) be upon Ibrāhīm (Abraham)!"

110. Thus indeed do We reward the Muhsinūn (good-doers — See V.2:112).

111. Verily, he was one of Our believing slaves.

112. And We gave him the glad tidings of Ishāq (Isaac) — a Prophet from the righteous.

113. We blessed him and Ishāq (Isaac). And of their progeny are (some) that do right, and some that plainly wrong themselves.

114. And, indeed We gave Our Grace to Mūsā (Moses) and Hārūn (Aaron).

115. And We saved them and their people from the great distress,

116. And helped them, so that they became the victors;

117. And We gave them the clear Scripture;

118. And guided them to the Right Path.

119. And We left for them (a goodly remembrance) among the later generations.

120. “Salām (peace) be upon Mūsā (Moses) and Hārūn (Aaron)!"

121. Verily, thus do We reward the Muhsinūn (good-doers — See V.2:112).

122. Verily, they were two of Our believing slaves.

123. And verily, Iliyās (Elias) was one of the Messengers.
124. When he said to his people: “Will you not fear Allâh?

125. “Will you call upon Ba’l (a well known idol of his nation whom they used to worship) and forsake the Best of creators,

126. “Allâh, your Lord and the Lord of your forefathers?”

127. But they denied him [Iliyâs (Elias)], so they will certainly be brought forth (to the punishment),

128. Except the chosen slaves of Allâh.

129. And We left for him (a goodly remembrance) among the later generations.

130. “Salâm (peace) be upon Ilyâsîn (Elias)!”

131. Verily, thus do We reward the Muhsînûn (good-doers, who perform good deeds totally for Allâh’s sake only — See V.2:112).

132. Verily, he was one of Our believing slaves.

133. And verily, Lût (Lot) was one of the Messengers.

134. When We saved him and his family, all,

135. Except an old woman (his wife) who was among those who remained behind.

136. Then We destroyed the rest (the town of Sodôm at the place of the Dead Sea now in Palestine).

137. Verily, you pass by them in the morning

138. And at night; will you not then reflect?

139. And, verily, Yûnûs (Jonah) was one of the Messengers.
140. When he ran to the laden ship:

141. Then he (agreed to) cast lots, and he was among the losers.

142. Then a (big) fish swallowed him as he had done an act worthy of blame.

143. Had he not been of them who glorify Allah,

144. He would have indeed remained inside its belly (the fish) till the Day of Resurrection.

145. But We cast him forth on the naked shore while he was sick,

146. And We caused a plant of gourd to grow over him.

147. And We sent him to a hundred thousand (people) or even more.

148. And they believed; so We gave them enjoyment for a while.

149. Now ask them (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم): "Are there (only) daughters for your Lord and sons for them?"

150. Or did We create the angels female while they were witnesses?

151. Verily, it is of their falsehood that they (Quraish pagans) say:

152. "Allâh has begotten [offspring—the angels being the daughters of Allâh]"? And, verily, they are liars!

153. Has He (then) chosen daughters rather than sons?

154. What is the matter with you? How do you decide?

155. Will you not then remember?

156. Or is there for you a plain authority?
157. Then bring your Book if you are truthful!

158. And they have invented a kinship between Him and the jinn, but the jinn know well that they have indeed to appear (before Him) (i.e. they will be called to account).

159. Glorified be Allāh! (He is free) from what they attribute unto Him!

160. Except the slaves of Allāh, whom He chooses (for His Mercy i.e. true believers of Islamic Monotheism who do not attribute false things unto Allāh).

161. So, verily you (pagans) and those whom you worship (idols)

162. Cannot lead astray [turn away from Him (Allāh) anyone of the believers],

163. Except those who are predestined to burn in Hell!

164. And there is not one of us (angels) but has his known place (or position);

165. And verily, we (angels), we stand in rows (for the prayers as you Muslims stand in rows for your prayers);

166. And verily, we (angels), indeed are those who glorify (Allāh’s Praises i.e. perform prayers).

167. And indeed they (Arab pagans) used to say:

168. “If we had a reminder as had the men of old (before the coming of Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم as a Messenger of Allāh),

169. “We would have indeed been the chosen slaves of Allāh (true believers of Islamic Monotheism)!”

170. But (now that the Qur’ān has come) they disbelieve therein (i.e. in the Qur’ān and
in Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم, and all that he brought, — the Divine Revelation), so they will come to know!\[11\]

171. And, verily, Our Word has gone forth of old for Our slaves, the Messengers,

172. That they verily would be made triumphant,

173. And that Our hosts! they verily would be the victors.

174. So turn away (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) from them for a while,

175. And watch them and they shall see (the punishment)!

176. Do they seek to hasten on Our Torment?

177. Then, when it descends in their courtyard (i.e. near to them), evil will be the morning for those who had been warned!

178. So turn (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) away from them for a while,

179. And watch and they shall see (the torment)!

180. Glorified be your Lord, the Lord of Honour and Power! (He is free) from what they attribute unto Him!

181. And peace be on the Messengers!

182. And all the praises and thanks be to Allāh, Lord of the 'Ālāmin (mankind, jinn and all that exists).

1. **Sād**

[These letters (Sād, etc.) are one of the miracles of the Qur‘ān, and none but Allāh (Alone) knows their meanings]. By the Qur‘ān full of reminding (explanations and honour for the one who believes in it).

2. Nay, those who disbelieve are in false pride and opposition.

3. How many a generation have We destroyed before them! And they cried out when there was no longer time for escape.

4. And they (Arab pagans) wonder that a warner (Prophet Muhammad ﷺ) has come to them from among themselves. And the disbelievers say: “This (Prophet Muhammad ﷺ) is a sorcerer, a liar.

5. “Has he made the āliyah (gods) (all) into One Ilāh (God — Allāh). Verily, this is a curious thing!”

6. And the leaders among them went about (saying): “Go on, and remain constant to your āliyah (gods)! Verily, this is a thing designed (against you)!

7. “We have not heard (the like) of this in the religion of these later days (i.e. Christianity). This is nothing but an invention! [Tafsir Al-Qurtubi]

8. “Has the Reminder been sent down to him (alone) from among us?” Nay, but they are in doubt about My Reminder (this Qur‘ān)! Nay, but they have not tasted (My) Torment!
9. Or have they the treasures of the Mercy of your Lord, the All-Mighty, the Real Bestower?

10. Or is it that the dominion of the heavens and the earth and all that is between them is theirs? If so, let them ascend up with means (to the heavens)!

11. (As they denied Allâh’s Message) they will be a defeated host like the Confederates of the old times (who were defeated).

12. Before them (were many who) belied (Messengers) — the people of Nûh (Noah); and ‘Âd; and Fir’âun (Pharaoh) the man of stakes (with which he used to punish the people),

13. And Thamûd, and the people of Lût (Lot), and the Dwellers of the Wood: such were the Confederates.

14. Not one of them but belied the Messengers; therefore My Torment was justified,

15. And these only wait for a single Saihah [shout (i.e. the blowing of the Trumpet by the angel Isrâ’il —)] there will be no pause or ending thereto [till everything will perish except Allâh (the only God full of Majesty, Bounty and Honour)].

16. They say: “Our Lord! Hasten to us Qittanâ (i.e. our Record of good and bad deeds so that we may see it) before the Day of Reckoning!”

17. Be patient (O Muhammad ﷺ) of what they say, and remember Our slave Dâwûd (David), endued with power. Verily, he was ever oft-returning in all matters and in repentance (toward Allâh).

18. Verily, We made the mountains to glorify Our Praises with him [Dâwûd
(David)] in the ‘Ashî (i.e. after the mid-day till sunset) and Ishrâq (i.e. after the sunrise till mid-day).

19. And (so did) the birds assembled: all obedient to him [Dâwûd (David)] [i.e. they came and glorified Allah’s Praises along with him]. (Tafsîr Al-Qurtubi).

20. We made his kingdom strong and gave him Al-Hikmah (Prophethood) and sound judgement in speech and decision.

21. And has the news of the litigants reached you? When they climbed over the wall into (his) Mihrâb (a praying place or a private room);

22. When they entered in upon Dâwûd (David), he was terrified of them. They said: “Fear not! (We are) two litigants, one of whom has wronged the other, therefore judge between us with truth, and treat us not with injustice, and guide us to the Right Way.

23. Verily, this my brother (in religion) has ninety-nine ewes, while I have (only) one ewe, and he says: “Hand it over to me, and he overpowered me in speech.”

24. [Dâwûd (David)] said (immediately without listening to the opponent): “He has wronged you in demanding your ewe in addition to his ewes. And, verily, many partners oppress one another, except those who believe and do righteous good deeds, and they are few.” And Dâwûd (David) guessed that We have tried him and he sought Forgiveness of his Lord, and he fell down prostrate and turned (to Allâh) in repentance.

25. So We forgave him that, and verily, for him is a near access to Us, and a good place of (final) return (Paradise).

26. O Dâwûd (David)! Verily! We have placed you as a successor on the earth; so