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## INTRODUCTION:

*THE WORDS OF WISDOM AND PURIFICATION*, is another book produced by the Children's Book Committee, under the direct supervision and instructions of Hadhrat Khalifat-ul-Masih IV.

It emphasises the importance of Islam as a religion, which is comprehensive, perfect, complete, free from every defect in its doctrine, teachings and commandments and the one which brings man close to his Creator. It contains the Quranic teachings about our beliefs in Allah, Angels, Revealed Books, Prophets, Taqdeer and the Life Hereafter.

It tells the readers how God planned the whole universe, and created human beings and everything else that is essential for their sustenance.

The book explains how we should glorify Allah and what we should do to please Him.

It also includes some of the prayers mentioned in the Holy Quran, which we recommend to the Muslim children to memorise and recite in appropriate situations.

All references are from the Holy Quran.

The book is essential for Muslim children and for those who want to further their knowledge about the Holy Quran.

As they read the text of the Holy Quran, a picture appears in the minds of the children about God's creation, which we have tried to depict in illustrations to make things easier for them to understand.

The students may also find the glossary, provided at the end useful.

We advise the Muslim readers to use *ALAIHIS SALAAM* (peace be on him) when they read the name of any Prophet of God and

*SALLALLAHO ALAIHI WA SALLAM* (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) when they read the name of the Holy Prophet Muhammad.

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We hope and pray that this book will not only quench some of the thirst for knowledge of our readers, but also generate a craving for learning more about the Holy Book of Islam.

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**THE HOLY QURAN TELLS US ABOUT**  
**ALLAH — GOD**

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## ALLAH

The Holy Quran gives the important message that Allah is one.

He is Independent. He does not need any support. Everything depends on Him.

He has no father and has no son or daughter. There is none like unto Him.

He is unique in every respect.

Allah is All Powerful. When He intends a thing to come into being, it comes into being at once. Nothing is outside His knowledge or outside His control, or outside His creation.

He cannot be seen with physical eyes but reveals Himself to man through His Prophets and through the working of His attributes. God is Incomprehensible, which means we cannot understand God with human reasoning-alone. Divine help is needed to understand His true nature.

Allah provides His creation all what is needed for them. He is indeed the Provider of every creature in this Universe.

Allah is eternal and Infinite. He lives today as He lived before and will continue to live hereafter. He speaks to people as He spoke in the past. He listens to the supplications of the supplicants and responds accordingly to whomsoever He pleases, as He did in the past. All His attributes are Ever Lasting.

## SEEK HELP FROM ALLAH ALONE

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ ﴿١﴾  
 الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿٢﴾  
 الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ ﴿٣﴾ مَلِكِ يَوْمِ الدِّينِ ﴿٤﴾  
 إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ وَإِيَّاكَ نَسْتَعِينُ ﴿٥﴾ أَهْدِنَا  
 الصِّرَاطَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ ﴿٦﴾ صِرَاطَ الَّذِينَ أَنْعَمْتَ  
 عَلَيْهِمْ غَيْرِ الْمَغْضُوبِ عَلَيْهِمْ  
 وَلَا الضَّالِّينَ ﴿٧﴾

1. In the name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful.
2. All praise belongs to Allah, Lord of all the worlds.
3. The Gracious, the Merciful,
4. Master of the Day of Judgement.
5. Thee alone do we worship and Thee alone do we implore for help.
6. Guide us in the right path.
7. The path of those on whom Thou hast bestowed Thy blessings, those who have not incurred Thy displeasure, and those who have not gone astray. (1:1-7)



## ALLAH ALONE IS WORTHY OF WORSHIP

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ

There is none worthy of worship besides Him, the Mighty, the Wise. (3:19)

## ALLAH ANSWERS THE PRAYERS OF THE SUPPLICANT

وَإِذَا سَأَلَكَ عِبَادِي عَنِّي فَإِنِّي قَرِيبٌ أُجِيبُ دَعْوَةَ الدَّاعِ إِذَا دَعَانِ

And when My servants ask thee about Me, say, *I am near.* I answer the prayer of the supplicant when He prays to Me. (2:187)

## ALLAH IS CLOSER TO US

وَنَحْنُ أَقْرَبُ إِلَيْهِ مِنْ حَبْلِ الْوَرِيدِ

Allah says:

We are nearer to him than even his life vein. (50:17)

## ALLAH IS LIVING HE DOES NOT SLEEP

اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْحَيُّ الْقَيُّومُ لَا تَأْخُذُهُ سِنَّةٌ وَلَا نَوْمٌ  
لَهُ مَا فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَمَا فِي الْأَرْضِ

Allah-there is no God but He, the Living, the Self-Subsisting and All-Sustaining. Slumber seizes Him not, nor sleep. To him belongs whatsoever is in the heavens and whatsoever is in the earth. (2:256)

## ALLAH IS SUFFICIENT FOR HIS SERVANT

وَكَفَى بِاللَّهِ وَلِيًّا وَكَفَى بِاللَّهِ نَصِيرًا

Sufficient is Allah as a Friend, and sufficient is Allah as a Helper. (4:46)

أَلَيْسَ اللَّهُ بِكَافٍ عَبْدَهُ وَيُخَوِّفُونَكَ بِالَّذِينَ مِنْ  
دُونِهِ وَمَنْ يُضِلِلِ اللَّهُ فَمَا لَهُ مِنْ هَادٍ

Is not Allah sufficient for His servant? And yet they would frighten thee with those beside Him. and he whom Allah adjudges astray - for him there is no guide. (39:37)

## ALLAH PUNISHES THOSE WHO DENY THE SIGNS OF ALLAH

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا بِآيَاتِ اللَّهِ لَهُمْ عَذَابٌ شَدِيدٌ

Surely those who deny the Signs of Allah shall have a severe punishment. (3:5)

### ALLAH'S DECREE IS NEVER AVERTED

فَلَنْ تَجِدَ لِسُنَّتِ اللَّهِ تَبْدِيلًا وَلَنْ تَجِدَ لِسُنَّتِ اللَّهِ تَحْوِيلًا

But thou will never find any change in the way of Allah, nor will thou find Allah's decree ever averted. (35:44)

### ALLAH SEES EVERYTHING

هُوَ اللَّهُ الَّذِي لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ عَالِمُ الْغَيْبِ وَالشَّهَادَةِ هُوَ  
الرَّحْمَنُ الرَّحِيمُ

He is Allah, and there is no god beside Him, the Knower of the unseen and the seen. He is the Gracious, the Merciful. (59:23)

### WE CANNOT SEE ALLAH

لَا تُدْرِكُهُ الْأَبْصَارُ وَهُوَ يُدْرِكُ الْأَبْصَارَ وَهُوَ  
اللطيف الخبير

Eyes cannot reach Him but He reaches the eyes. And He is the Incomprehensible the All-Aware. (6:104)



## ALLAH IS SOVEREIGN

هُوَ اللَّهُ الَّذِي لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْمَلِكُ الْقُدُّوسُ السَّلَامُ  
 الْمُؤْمِنُ الْمُهَيْمِنُ الْعَزِيزُ الْجَبَّارُ الْمُتَكَبِّرُ  
 سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ عَمَّا يُشْرِكُونَ

He is Allah, and there is no God beside Him, the Sovereign, the Holy One, the Source of Peace, the Bestower of Security, the Protector, the Mighty, the Subduer, the Exalted. Holy is Allah far above that which they associate with Him. (59 :24)

## ALLAH IS THE FIRST AND THE LAST

هُوَ الْأَوَّلُ وَالْآخِرُ وَالظَّاهِرُ وَالْبَاطِنُ وَهُوَ بِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ عَلِيمٌ

He is the First and the Last, and the Manifest and the Hidden, and He knows all things fully well. (57:4)

## ALLAH RULES OVER THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH

لَهُ مُلْكُ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَإِلَى اللَّهِ تُرْجَعُ الْأُمُورُ

His is the kingdom of the heavens and the earth; and to Allah are all affairs referred. (57:6)

## EVERYTHING BELONGS TO ALLAH

وَلَهُ مَن فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ كُلُّ لَّهُ قَانُونَ ﴿٣٠﴾

And to Him belongs whatsoever is in the heavens and the earth. All are obedient to Him. (30:27)

## ALLAH IS THE LORD OF THE EAST AND THE WEST

رَبُّ الْمَشْرِقِ وَالْمَغْرِبِ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ فَاتَّخِذْهُ وَكِيلًا ﴿٧٣﴾

He is the Lord of the East and the West; there is no god but He; so take Him as thy Guardian. (73:10)

## ALLAH IS GUARDIAN OVER EVERYTHING

ذَٰلِكُمُ اللَّهُ رَبُّكُمْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ خَلَقَ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ  
فَاعْبُدُوهُ وَهُوَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ وَكِيلٌ ﴿٦﴾

Such is Allah, your Lord. There is no God but He, the Creator of all things, so worship Him. And He is guardian over everything. (6:103)

## ALLAH IS THE LIGHT OF THE UNIVERSE

اللَّهُ نُورُ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ

Allah is the light of the heavens and the earth. (24:36)

## ALLAH GIVES LIFE AND CAUSES DEATH.

لَهُ مُلْكُ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ يُحْيِي وَيُمِيتُ وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ ﴿٥٧﴾

His is the Kingdom of the heavens and the earth; He gives life and He causes death, and He has power over all things. (57:3)

## EVERYTHING GOES BACK TO ALLAH

وَأَنَّ إِلَىٰ رَبِّكَ الْمُنْتَهَىٰ ﴿٥٣﴾

To thy Lord do all things ultimately go. (53:43)

## ALLAH HAS POWER OVER ALL THINGS

يُسَبِّحُ لِلَّهِ مَا فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَمَا فِي الْأَرْضِ لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ وَهُوَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ ﴿٦٤﴾

Whatever is in heavens and whatever is in the earth glorifies Allah; His is the kingdom and His is the praise, and He has power over all things. (64:2)



## ALLAH KNOWS EVERYTHING

يَعْلَمُ مَا فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَيَعْلَمُ مَا تُسْرُونَ وَمَا تُعْلِنُونَ وَاللَّهُ  
عَلِيمٌ بِذَاتِ الصُّدُورِ ﴿٥﴾

He knows whatever is in the heavens and the earth, and He knows that which you conceal and that which you disclose. Allah knows well all that passes through your minds. (64:5)

إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَخْفَى عَلَيْهِ شَيْءٌ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَلَا فِي السَّمَاءِ ﴿٦﴾

Surely, nothing in the earth or in the heaven is hidden from Allah. (3:6)

## ALLAH IS MERCIFUL.

Allah says: رَحْمَتِي وَسِعَتْ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ ﴿١٥٧﴾

My Mercy encompasses all things (7:157)

## ALLAH IS THE CREATOR OF ALL THINGS

هُوَ اللَّهُ الْخَلِيقُ الْبَارِئُ الْمُصَوِّرُ لَهُ الْأَسْمَاءُ الْحُسْنَى  
يَسْبِغُ لَهُ مَا فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ ﴿٢٠﴾

He is Allah the Creator, the Maker, the Fashioner. His are the most beautiful names. All that is in the heavens and the earth glorifies Him, and He is the Mighty, the Wise. (59:25)

### ALLAH PERFECTS EVERYTHING

سَبِّحْ اسْمَ رَبِّكَ الْأَعْلَى ۝ الَّذِي خَلَقَ فَسَوَّى ۝ وَالَّذِي قَدَّرَ فَهَدَى ۝

Glorify the name of thy Lord, the Most High Who creates and perfects and Who designs and guides. (87:2-4)

### ALLAH IS EVERLASTING

وَلَا تَدْعُ مَعَ اللَّهِ إِلَهًا آخَرَ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ كُلُّ شَيْءٍ هَالِكٌ إِلَّا وَجْهَهُ

Call not any other god besides Allah. There is no god but He. Everything will perish except that which is under His care. (28 :89)

### ALLAH IS ONE

قُلْ هُوَ اللَّهُ أَحَدٌ ۝ اللَّهُ الصَّمَدُ ۝ لَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ كُفُوًا أَحَدٌ ۝

Say, 'He is Allah, the One; 'Allah, the Independent and Besought of all. 'He begets not, nor is He begotten; 'And there is none like unto Him.' (112:2-5)

وَاللَّهُ كَلِمَةُ وَاحِدٌ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الرَّحْمَنُ الرَّحِيمُ

And your God is One God; there is no God but He, the Gracious the Merciful. (2:164)

### ALLAH HAS NO PARTNER

إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَغْفِرُ أَنْ يُشْرَكَ بِهِ وَيَغْفِرُ مَا دُونَ ذَلِكَ لِمَنْ يَشَاءُ

وَمَنْ يُشْرِكْ بِاللَّهِ فَقَدْ افْتَرَىٰ إِثْمًا عَظِيمًا

Surely Allah will not forgive that any partner be associated with Him; but He will forgive whatever is short of that to whomsoever He pleases. And whoso associates partners with Allah has indeed devised a very great sin. (4:49)

لَوْ كَانَ فِيهِمَا آلِهَةٌ إِلَّا اللَّهُ لَفَسَدَتَا فَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَرْشِ  
عَمَّا يُصِفُونَ

If there has been in the heavens and the earth other gods beside Allah, then surely both would have gone to ruin. Glorified then be Allah, the Lord of the Throne, far above what they attribute to Him. (21:23)

## ALLAH IS THE PROVIDER

اللَّهُ يَبْسُطُ الرِّزْقَ لِمَن يَشَاءُ وَيَقْدِرُ وَفَرِحُوا بِالْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا  
وَمَا الْحَيَاةُ الدُّنْيَا فِي الْآخِرَةِ إِلَّا مَتَعٌ ﴿١٣﴾

Allah enlarges His provision for whomsoever He pleases and restricts it for whomsoever He pleases. They rejoice in the Present life, while the present life is but a temporary enjoyment as compared with that which is to come. (13:27)

اللَّهُ لَطِيفٌ بِعِبَادِهِ يَرْزُقُ مَن يَشَاءُ وَهُوَ الْقَوِيُّ الْعَزِيزُ ﴿٢٠﴾

Allah is Benignant to his servants. He provides for whom He pleases. And He is the Powerful, the Mighty. (42:20)

إِنَّ اللَّهَ هُوَ الرِّزَاقُ ذُو الْقُوَّةِ الْمَتِينُ ﴿٥٩﴾

Surely it is Allah Himself, who is the Great Sustainer, the Powerful, the Strong. (51 :59)

## ALLAH IS ALL HEARING - ALL SEEING

اللَّهُ يَصْطَفِي مِنَ الْمَلَائِكَةِ رُسُلًا وَمِنَ النَّاسِ  
إِنَّ اللَّهَ سَمِيعٌ بَصِيرٌ ﴿١٠٠﴾



Allah chooses His Messengers from among angels, and from among men. Surely Allah is All-Hearing, All-seeing. (22:76)

### ALLAH DOES NOT WRONG ANYONE

إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَظْلِمُ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ وَإِن تَكُ حَسَنَةً يُضْعِفْهَا  
وَيُؤْتِ مِنْ لَدُنْهُ أَجْرًا عَظِيمًا ﴿٤١﴾

Surely Allah wrongs not any one even by the weight of an atom. And if there be a good deed, He multiplies it and gives from Himself a great reward. (4:41)

إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَظْلِمُ النَّاسَ شَيْئًا وَلَكِنَّ النَّاسَ أَنفُسَهُمْ  
يَظْلِمُونَ ﴿٤٥﴾

Surely Allah wrongs not people at all, but people wrong themselves. (10:45)

### ALLAH NEITHER ERRS NOR FORGETS

لَا يَضِلُّ رَبِّي وَلَا يَنسَى

My Lord neither errs nor forgets. (20:53)

## ALLAH FORGIVES ALL SINS

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَغْفِرُ الذُّنُوبَ جَمِيعًا إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ

Allah forgives all sins. Surely He is Most Forgiving, Ever Merciful. (39:54)

## ALLAH HAS NO SON

إِنَّمَا اللَّهُ إِلَهٌُ وَاحِدٌ سُبْحَانَهُ أَنْ يَكُونَ لَهُ وَلَدٌ لَهُ مَا فِي  
السَّمَوَاتِ وَمَا فِي الْأَرْضِ وَكَفَى بِاللَّهِ وَكِيلًا

Verily Allah is the only God. Far is it from His Holiness that He should have a son. To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is in the earth. And sufficient is Allah as a Guardian. (4:172)

Allah says:

مَا كَانَ لِلَّهِ أَنْ يَتَّخِذَ مِنْ وَلَدٍ سُبْحَانَهُ إِذَا قَضَىٰ أَمْرًا فَإِنَّمَا  
يَقُولُ لَهُ كُنْ فَيَكُونُ

It is not in accord with the Majesty of Allah that He should take unto Himself a son. Holy is He. When he decrees a thing, He says:Be, and it is. (19:36)

وَجَعَلُوا لِلَّهِ شُرَكَاءَ الْجِنَّ وَخَلَقَهُمْ وَخَرَقُوا لَهُ بَنِينَ وَبَنَاتٍ  
بِغَيْرِ عِلْمٍ سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى عَمَّا يُصِفُونَ ﴿١٠١﴾

And they hold the Jinn to be partners with Allah, although He created them, they falsely ascribe to him sons and daughters without any knowledge Holy is He and exalted far above what they attribute to Him. (6:101)

بَدِيعُ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ أَنَّى يَكُونُ لَهُ وَلَدٌ وَلَمْ تَكُن لَّهُ صَاحِبَةٌ  
وَخَلَقَ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ وَهُوَ بِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ عَلِيمٌ ﴿١٠٢﴾  
ذَٰلِكُمُ اللَّهُ رَبُّكُمْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ خَلَقَ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ  
فَاعْبُدُوهُ وَهُوَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ وَكِيلٌ ﴿١٠٣﴾

The Originator of the heavens and the earth ! How can He have a son when He has no consort, and when He has created everything and has knowledge of all things? Such is Allah, your Lord. There is no god but He, the Creator of all things, so worship Him. And He is Guardian over everything. (6:102-103)

لَوْ أَرَادَ اللَّهُ أَنْ يَتَّخِذَ وَلَدًا لَأَصْطَفَىٰ مِمَّا يَخْلُقُ مَا يَشَاءُ  
سُبْحَانَهُ هُوَ اللَّهُ الْوَاحِدُ الْقَهَّارُ ﴿١٠٤﴾

If Allah had desired to take to Himself a son, He could have chosen whom He pleased out of what He creates. Holy is He! He is Allah, the one, the Most Supreme. (39:5)

مَا اتَّخَذَ اللَّهُ مِنْ وَلَدٍ وَمَا كَانَ مَعَهُ مِنْ إِلَهٍ إِذَا لَذَهَبَ  
 كُلُّ إِلَهٍ بِمَا خَلَقَ وَلَعَلَّ بَعْضُهُمْ عَلَى بَعْضٍ سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ  
 عَمَّا يُصِفُونَ

Allah has not taken unto Himself any son, nor is there any other God alongwith Him, in that case each god would have taken away what he had created and some of them would surely have dominated over others. (23:92)

## ALLAH HAS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL NAMES

اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ لَهُ الْأَسْمَاءُ الْحُسْنَى

Allah - there is no god but He. His are the most beautiful names. (20:9)

## ALLAH IS MOST COMPASSIONATE

وَاللَّهُ رءُوفٌ بِالْعِبَادِ

And Allah is Most Compassionate to His servants. (3:31)



وَإِنَّ رَبَّكَ لَذُو فَضْلٍ عَلَى النَّاسِ وَلَٰكِنَّ أَكْثَرَهُمْ لَا يَشْكُرُونَ ﴿٧٤﴾

And, truly, thy Lord is Gracious to mankind, but most of them are not grateful. (27:74)

## ALLAH LOVES HIS CREATION

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُتَوَكِّلِينَ

Surely Allah loves those who put their trust in Him.  
(3:160)

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ التَّوَّابِينَ وَيُحِبُّ الْمُتَطَهِّرِينَ

Surely Allah loves those who turn to Him and love those who keep themselves clean. (2:223)

وَاللَّهُ يُحِبُّ الصَّابِرِينَ

And Allah loves the steadfast. (3:147)

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُتَّقِينَ

Surely Allah loves those who are righteous. (9:4)

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُقْسِطِينَ

Surely Allah loves those who are just. (5:43)

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُحْسِنِينَ

Allah loves those who do good. (2:196)

## II

QURAN TELLS US;  
**HOW ALLAH CREATED  
THE UNIVERSE**  
AND CREATED EVERYTHING IN IT FOR OUR  
USE

## ALLAH CREATED THE UNIVERSE

الَّذِي خَلَقَ لَكُمْ مَّا فِي الْأَرْضِ جَمِيعًا ثُمَّ اسْتَوَىٰ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ فَسَوَّاهُنَّ سَبْعَ سَمَوَاتٍ ۗ وَهُوَ بِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ عَلِيمٌ ﴿٣٠﴾

He it is who created for you all that is in the earth; then He turned towards the heavens, and He perfected them as seven heavens; and He knows all things. (2:30)

اللَّهُ خَلِقُ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ ۖ وَهُوَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ وَكِيلٌ ﴿٦٣﴾

Allah is the Creator of all things and He is the Guardian of all things. (39:63)

الَّذِي أَحْسَنَ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ خَلَقَهُ ﴿٨﴾

He it is who made perfect everything He has created. (32:8)

الَّذِي خَلَقَ سَبْعَ سَمَوَاتٍ طِبَاقًا مَّا تَرَىٰ فِي خَلْقِ الرَّحْمَنِ مِن تَفَوتٍ ۗ فَارْجِعِ الْبَصَرَ هَلْ تَرَىٰ مِن فُطُورٍ ﴿٤﴾

It is He Who has created seven heavens in harmony. No incongruity can you see in the creation of the Gracious God. Then look again. Can you see any flaw? (67:4)

وَلَقَدْ خَلَقْنَا السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ وَمَا بَيْنَهُمَا فِي سِتَّةِ  
 أَيَّامٍ وَمَا مَسَّنَا مِنْ لُغُوبٍ ﴿٣٩﴾

Allah Says:

We created the heavens and the earth and all that is between them in six periods and we suffered no tiredness. (50 :39)

وَمَا خَلَقْنَا السَّمَاءَ وَالْأَرْضَ وَمَا بَيْنَهُمَا بَطْلًا

And we have not created the heavens and the earth and all that is between them in vain. (38:28)

الَّذِي جَعَلَ لَكُمُ الْأَرْضَ فِرَاشًا وَالسَّمَاءَ بِنَاءً

It is He who made the earth a bed for you and the heavens a roof. (2:23)

أَوَلَمْ يَرِ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا أَنَّ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ كَانَتَا رَتْقًا  
 فَفَنَقْنَاهُمَا وَجَعَلْنَا مِنَ الْمَاءِ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ حَيٍّ أَفَلَا يُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿٣١﴾

Do not the disbelievers realise that the heavens and the earth were a solid mass, then We opened them out. And we made every living thing from water. Will they not then believe? (21:31)





Everything in the universe is created by Allah. He created the Universe in six stages and He did not rest at all.

The Holy Quran tells us that the whole universe, particularly the solar system has developed out of an amorphous mass. God, in accordance with the laws which He had set in motion, split the mass of matter and its scattered bits became the units of the solar system. God then created all life out of water.

الَّذِينَ تَرَوْنَ كَيْفَ خَلَقَ اللَّهُ سَبْعَ سَمَوَاتٍ طِبَاقًا ۖ وَجَعَلَ الْقَمَرَ  
فِيهِنَّ نُورًا وَجَعَلَ الشَّمْسَ سِرَاجًا ۖ

Allah says:

Have you not seen how Allah created seven heavens in perfect harmony and has placed the moon therein as a light, and made the sun as a lamp? (71:16,17)

خَلَقَ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ بِالْحَقِّ يُكَوِّرُ اللَّيْلَ عَلَى النَّهَارِ  
وَيُكَوِّرُ النَّهَارَ عَلَى اللَّيْلِ وَسَخَّرَ الشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ  
كُلٌّ يَجْرِي لِأَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى

He created the heavens and the earth in accordance with the requirements of wisdom. He makes the night to cover the day, and He makes the day to cover the night; and He has pressed the Sun and the moon into service; each pursues its course until an appointed time. (39:6)

وَسَخَّرَ لَكُمْ الشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ دَائِبَيْنِ وَسَخَّرَ لَكُمْ  
الَّيْلَ وَالنَّهَارَ ۖ

And He has subjected to you the sun and the moon, both performing their work constantly. And He has subjected to you the night as well as the day. (14:34)

وَهُوَ الَّذِي خَلَقَ اللَّيْلَ وَالنَّهَارَ وَالشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ كُلٌّ فِي فَلَكٍ  
يَسْبَحُونَ

He it is Who created the night and the day and the sun and the moon each gliding along smoothly in its orbit. (21 :34)

وَالشَّمْسُ تَجْرِي لِمُسْتَقَرٍّ لَهَا  
 ذَلِكَ تَقْدِيرُ الْعَزِيزِ الْعَلِيمِ ۝ وَالْقَمَرَ قَدَرْنَاهُ مَنَازِلَ حَتَّىٰ  
 عَادَ كَالْعُرْجُونِ الْقَدِيمِ ۝ لَا الشَّمْسُ يَنْبَغِي لَهَا أَنْ تُدْرِكَ  
 الْقَمَرَ وَلَا اللَّيْلُ سَابِقُ النَّهَارِ وَكُلٌّ فِي فَلَكٍ يَسْبَحُونَ ۝

And the sun is moving on the course prescribed for it. That is the decree of the Almighty, the All-Knowing God. And for the moon We have appointed stages, till it becomes again like an old dry branch of a palm tree. It is not for the sun to overtake the moon, nor can the night outstrip the day. All of them float in an orbit. (36:39-41)





The solar system with its sun, moon, planets and stars is a well-ordered and well regulated system which has existed for millions of years, never having once suffered the slightest disorder or deviation in the movement of these bodies.

The Holy Quran tells us that the heavenly bodies float through space or ether. It contradicts the view held that sun is stationary and that the heavens were solid in their formation as was believed for a long long time. It tells us that all celestial and terrestrial bodies perform their allotted tasks regularly, punctually without trespassing on one another's sphere of action.



إِنَّ رَبَّكُمْ اللَّهُ الَّذِي خَلَقَ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ فِي سِتَّةِ  
 أَيَّامٍ ثُمَّ اسْتَوَىٰ عَلَى الْعَرْشِ يُغْشِي اللَّيْلَ النَّهَارَ يَطْلُبُهُ حَثِيثًا  
 وَالشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ وَالنُّجُومَ مُسَخَّرَاتٍ بِأَمْرِهِ ۗ أَلَا لَهُ الْخَلْقُ  
 وَالْأَمْرُ تَبَارَكَ اللَّهُ رَبُّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿٥٥﴾

Allah says:

Surely, your Lord is Allah Who created the heavens and the earth in six periods, then He settled Himself on the Throne. He makes the night cover the day, which pursues it swiftly. And created the sun, the moon and the stars, all made to function according to His command.

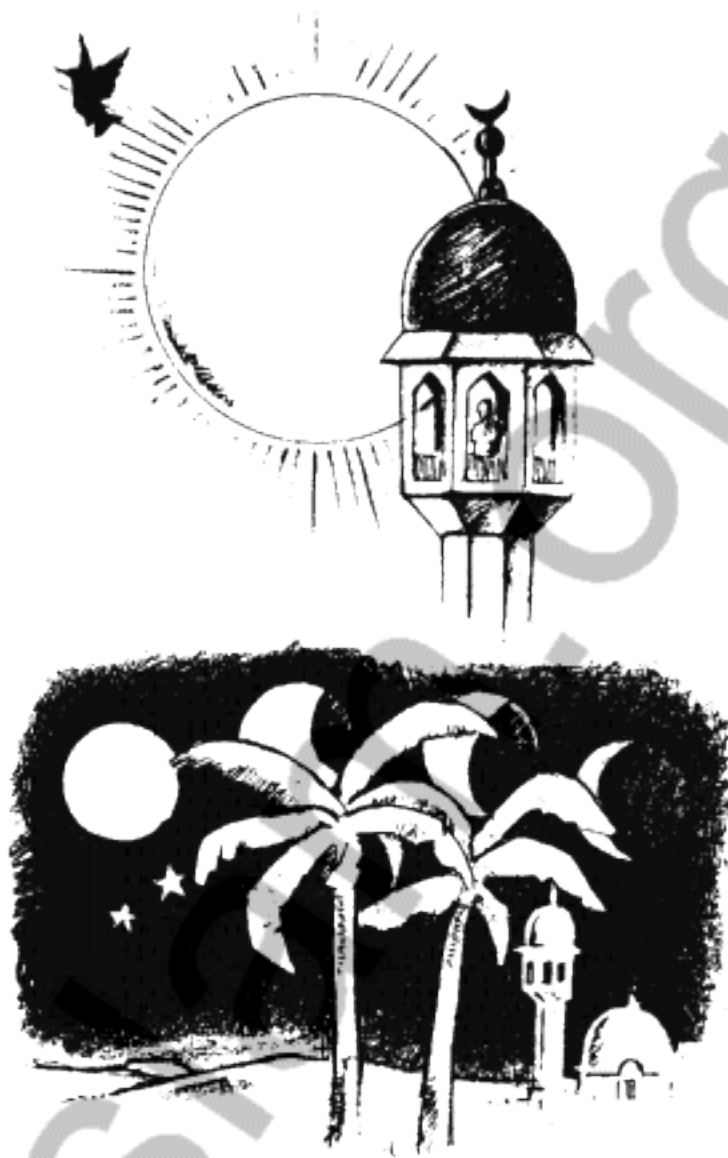
His is the creation and the command. Blessed is Allah, the Lord of the worlds. (7:55)

اللَّهُ الَّذِي رَفَعَ السَّمَوَاتِ بِغَيْرِ عَمَدٍ تَرَوْنَهَا

Allah is He Who raised up the heavens without any pillars that you can see. (13:3)

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي خَلَقَ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ وَجَعَلَ الظُّلُمَاتِ وَالنُّورَ

All praise is due to Allah Who created the heavens and the earth and brought into being every kind of darkness and light. (6:2)



The night and the day, the sun and the moon have all been created by God. All of them fulfil human needs and are indispensable for man's existence on earth.

All reckoning and all calendars depend on the movements of the sun and the moon. The moon moves round the earth and thereby we are able to know the measures of months: The earth moves round the sun and also rotates on its own axis, thus enabling us to measure our years as well as our days.

يُولِجُ اللَّيْلَ فِي النَّهَارِ وَيُؤَلِّجُ النَّهَارَ فِي اللَّيْلِ

He causes the night to pass into the day and causes the day to pass into the night. (57:7)

إِنَّ فِي خَلْقِ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَاخْتِلَافِ اللَّيْلِ وَالنَّهَارِ  
لَآيَاتٍ لِّأُولِي الْأَلْبَابِ

Allah says:

In the creation of the heavens and the earth and in the alteration of the night and the day there are indeed signs for men of understanding. (3:191)

هُوَ الَّذِي جَعَلَ الشَّمْسُ ضِيَاءً وَالْقَمَرَ نُورًا وَقَدَرَهُ مَنَازِلَ  
لِنَعْلَمُوا عَدَدَ السِّنِينَ وَالْحِسَابَ

He it is Who made the sun radiate a brilliant light and the moon reflect a lustre, and appointed stages for it, that you may keep count of years and for the reckoning of time. (10:6)

الشَّمْسُ وَالْقَمَرُ بِحُسْبَانٍ

The sun and moon move according to a fixed reckoning. (55:6)

يَسْأَلُونَكَ عَنِ الْأَهْلِ قُلْ هِيَ مَوَاقِيتُ لِلنَّاسِ وَالْحَجِّ

Allah says:

They ask you about new moons. Say, they are means for measuring time for the general convenience of people and for the pilgrimage. (2:190)

Allah says:

إِنَّ عِدَّةَ الشُّهُورِ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ اثْنَا عَشَرَ شَهْرًا فِي كِتَابِ  
اللَّهِ يَوْمَ خَلَقَ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ

The number of months with Allah has been 12 months by Allah's ordinance since the day when He created the heavens and the earth. (9:36)

وَهُوَ الَّذِي جَعَلَ لَكُمُ النُّجُومَ لِتَهْتَدُوا بِهَا فِي ظُلُمَاتِ الْبَرِّ وَالْبَحْرِ  
قَدْ فَصَّلْنَا الْآيَاتِ لِقَوْمٍ يَعْلَمُونَ

He it is who has made for you the stars, that you may follow the right direction with their help in the darkness of the land and the sea. (6:98)





The stars helps wayfarers to find their way on land and at sea.



Allah has made night for us to rest and the day for us to work.

اللَّهُ الَّذِي جَعَلَ لَكُمْ اللَّيْلَ لِتَسْكُنُوا فِيهِ وَالنَّهَارَ  
مُبْصِرًا إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَذُو فَضْلٍ عَلَى النَّاسِ وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَ  
النَّاسِ لَا يَشْكُرُونَ ﴿٦٢﴾

It is Allah who has made for you the night dark that you may rest therein, and the day full of light to enable you to see.

Surely ALLAH is Most Bountiful towards mankind, yet most people are ungrateful. (40 :62)

وَجَعَلْنَا نَوْمَكُمْ سُبَاتًا ﴿١٠﴾ وَجَعَلْنَا اللَّيْلَ لِبَاسًا ﴿١١﴾ وَجَعَلْنَا  
النَّهَارَ مَعَاشًا ﴿١٢﴾

We made your sleep a source of rest and made the night a covering and made the day for the activities of life. (78:10-12)

### ALLAH CREATED US.

Allah says:

لَقَدْ خَلَقْنَا الْإِنْسَانَ فِي أَحْسَنِ تَقْوِيمٍ ﴿٥﴾

We have created man in the best mould. (95 :5)

وَلَقَدْ كَرَّمْنَا بَنِي آدَمَ وَحَمَلْنَاهُمْ فِي الْبَرِّ وَالْبَحْرِ وَرَزَقْنَاهُمْ مِنَ  
الطَّيِّبَاتِ وَفَضَّلْنَاهُمْ عَلَى كَثِيرٍ مِمَّنْ خَلَقْنَا تَفْضِيلًا ﴿٧١﴾

Allah says:

We have indeed honoured the children of Adam, and provided for the means of transportation in land and sea and given them wholesome food and exalted them far above many of those whom We have created. (17:71)

وَصَوَّرَكُمُوهَا أَحْسَنَ صُورِكُمْ

Allah says:

He shaped you and made your shapes beautiful. (64:4)

وَقَدْ خَلَقَكُمْ أَطْوَارًا ﴿٧١﴾

Allah says:

He has created you in different forms and different conditions. (71:15)

قُلْ هُوَ الَّذِي أَنْشَأَكُمْ وَجَعَلَ لَكُمُ السَّمْعَ وَالْأَبْصَارَ وَالْأَفْئِدَةَ  
قَلِيلًا مَّا تَشْكُرُونَ ﴿٢٤﴾

Say;

He it is who brought you into being and made for you ears and eyes and hearts; but little thanks do you give. (67:24)



هُوَ الَّذِي خَلَقَكُمْ مِنْ تُرَابٍ ثُمَّ مِنْ نُطْفَةٍ ثُمَّ مِنْ عَلَقَةٍ ثُمَّ  
يُخْرِجُكُمْ طِفْلًا ثُمَّ لِتَبْلُغُوا أَشَدَّكُمْ ثُمَّ لِيَكونُوا  
شُيُوخًا وَمِنْكُمْ مَن يُنَوِّقُ مِنْ قَبْلٍ وَلِيَبْلُغُوا أَجَلًا مُّسَمًّى  
وَلَعَلَّكُمْ تَعْقِلُونَ ﴿٦٨﴾

He it is Who created you from dust, then from a sperm drop, then from a clot; then He brings you forth as a child; then He lets you grow that you may attain your full strength; then He lets you become old -though some among you are caused to die before -and He lets you live that you may reach a term appointed, and that you may learn wisdom. (40:68)

اللَّهُ الَّذِي خَلَقَكُمْ مِنْ ضَعْفٍ ثُمَّ جَعَلَ مِنْ بَعْدِ ضَعْفٍ قُوَّةً  
ثُمَّ جَعَلَ مِنْ بَعْدِ قُوَّةٍ ضَعْفًا وَشَيْبَةً يَخْلُقُ مَا يَشَاءُ وَهُوَ  
الْعَلِيمُ الْقَدِيرُ ﴿٥٥﴾

Allah is He who created you in a state of weakness, and after weakness gave you strength; then after strength, caused weakness and old age. He creates what He pleases. He is All-Knowing, All-Powerful. (30 :55)

يَأْتِيهَا النَّاسُ أَتَقْوَارِبَكُمْ الَّذِي خَلَقَكُمْ مِنْ نَفْسٍ وَاحِدَةٍ وَخَلَقَ مِنْهَا  
زَوْجَهَا وَبَثَّ مِنْهُمَا رِجَالًا كَثِيرًا وَنِسَاءً

O ye people fear your Lord, Who created you from single soul and created therefrom its mate, and from the two, spread many men and women. (4:2)

وَخَلَقْنَاكُمْ أَزْوَاجًا

Allah says:

We have created you in pairs. (78:9)

وَأَنَّهُ خَلَقَ الزَّوْجَيْنِ الذَّكَرَ وَالْأُنثَىٰ ۗ مِن نُّطْفَةٍ إِذَا تُمْنَىٰ

He creates the pairs, male and female from the sperm drop when it is poured forth. (53:46,47)

يَأْتِيهَا النَّاسُ إِنَّا خَلَقْنَاكُمْ مِنْ ذَكَرٍ وَأُنْثَىٰ وَجَعَلْنَاكُمْ شُعُوبًا وَقَبَائِلَ  
لِتَعَارَفُوا ۗ إِنَّ أَكْرَمَكُمْ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ أَتَقَىٰكُمْ ۗ إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلِيمٌ خَبِيرٌ

Allah says:

O mankind, we have created you from a male and a female; and we have divided you into tribes and sub-tribes that you may recognise one another. Verily; the most honourable among you, in the sight of Allah, is he who is the most righteous among you, surely Allah is All knowing, All aware. (49:14)

خَلَقَكُمْ مِنْ نَفْسٍ وَاحِدَةٍ ثُمَّ جَعَلَ مِنْهَا زَوْجَهَا وَأَنْزَلَ لَكُمْ  
مِنْ الْأُنثَى ثَمَنِيَةَ أَزْوَاجٍ يَخْلُقُكُمْ فِي بُطُونِ أُمَّهَاتِكُمْ  
خَلْقًا مِنْ بَعْدِ خَلْقٍ فِي ظُلُمَاتٍ ثَلَاثٍ

He created you from a single being; then from that He made its mate. He has provided for you the cattle, eight pairs of them.

He creates you in the wombs of your mothers, creation after creation, passing through three stages of darkness. (39:7)

اللَّهُ الَّذِي خَلَقَكُمْ ثُمَّ رَزَقَكُمْ ثُمَّ يُمِيتُكُمْ ثُمَّ يُحْيِيكُمْ

It is Allah who has created you, and then He has provided for you; then He will cause you to die, and then He will bring you to life. (30 :41)

## ALLAH MADE THE EARTH AND EVERYTING IN IT

وَالْأَرْضَ مَدَدْنَاهَا وَأَلْقَيْنَا فِيهَا رَوَاسِيَ وَأَنْبَتْنَا فِيهَا  
مِنْ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ مَّوْزُونٍ

Allah says:

We have spread out the earth and set therein firm mountains and caused everything to grow therein in proper proportions (15:20)





Mountains are created by God to serve as reservoirs of water, storing it in the form of snow and distributing it over the earth by means of rivers.

Geology has established the fact that mountains have, to a great extent, made secure the earth against earthquakes.

In the beginning the earth was very hot inside. When as the result of the intense heat, gases were formed in the bowels of the earth, they forced a way out, thus causing violent eruptions in the form of volcanoes, which have cooled down and took the shape of mountains. The mountains are great help to the earth in moving steadily on its axis.



وَأَلْقَى فِي الْأَرْضِ رَوَاسِيَ أَنْ تَمِيدَ بِكُمْ وَبَثَّ فِيهَا مِنْ كُلِّ دَابَّةٍ

He has placed in the earth firm mountains that it may not quake with you, and He has scattered therein all kinds of creatures. (31:11)

Allah says: **الْمَنْجَعِلِ الْأَرْضِ مَهْدًا** **وَالْجِبَالِ أَوْتَادًا**

Have We not made the earth a bed, and the mountains as stakes? (78:7,8)

وَمِنَ الْجِبَالِ جُدَدٌ بَيْضٌ وَحُمْرٌ مُخْتَلِفٌ أَلْوَانُهَا وَغَرَابِيبُ  
سُودٌ **وَمِنَ النَّاسِ وَالْدَّوَابِّ وَالْأَنْعَامِ مُخْتَلِفٌ أَلْوَانُهُ**

And of the mountains some are white and red, and of diverse hues and others raven black; And of men and beasts and cattle in like manner, there are various colours. (35:28,29)

## ALLAH BRINGS RAIN FROM THE SKY

وَأَرْسَلْنَا الرِّيحَ لَوَاقِحَ فَأَنْزَلْنَا مِنَ السَّمَاءِ مَاءً فَأَسْقَيْنَاكُمُوهُ  
وَمَا أَنْتُمْ لَهُ بِمُخْزِينَ **وَمَا أَنْتُمْ لَهُ بِمُخْزِينَ**

Allah says:

We put in motion wind carrying moisture, then We send down fresh water from the clouds, wherewith We provide you with drink. You could not have stored it up for yourself. (15:23)

اللَّهُ الَّذِي يُرْسِلُ الرِّيحَ فَتُحْمَلُ السَّحَابَ فَيَبْسُطُهُ  
 فِي السَّمَاءِ كَيْفَ يَشَاءُ وَيَجْعَلُهُ كِسْفًا فَنَزِّلُ الْوَدْقَ يَخْرُجُ مِنْ  
 خِلَالِهِ فَإِذَا أَصَابَ بِهِ مِنْ يَشَاءُ مِنْ عِبَادِهِ إِذَا هُمْ يَسْتَبْشِرُونَ  
 وَإِنْ كَانُوا مِنْ قَبْلِ أَنْ يُنْزَلَ عَلَيْهِمْ مِنَ قَبْلِهِ لَمُبْسِئِينَ  
 فَانظُرْ إِلَى آثَارِ رَحْمَتِ اللَّهِ كَيْفَ يُحْيِي الْأَرْضَ بَعْدَ  
 مَوْتِهَا

It is Allah Who sends the winds so that they raise a cloud. Then he spreads it in the sky as He pleases and forms it layer upon layer and you see rain coming therefrom.

When he causes it to fall on whom He pleases of His servants, they rejoice thereat; though before its coming down they were in despair. Observe, then, the token of Allah's mercy; how He revives the earth after its death. (30:49-51)

Allah says:

أَلَمْ تَرَ أَنَّ اللَّهَ أَنْزَلَ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ مَاءً فَسَلَكَهُ يَنْبِيعَ فِي الْأَرْضِ  
 ثُمَّ يُخْرِجُ بِهِ زَرْعًا مُخْتَلِفًا أَلْوَانُهُ ثُمَّ يَهِيَجُ فَتَرَهُ مُصْفَرًّا ثُمَّ  
 يَجْعَلُهُ حُطَامًا إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ لَذِكْرًا لِأُولِي الْأَلْبَابِ

Have you not seen that Allah sends down water from the sky, then causes it to flow in the earth in the form of streams, and then brings forth thereby herbs, varying in colours?

Then it dries up and turns yellow; then He reduces it to broken straw. In that surely is a reminder for men of understanding. (39:22)

### ALLAH PROVIDES US WITH FOOD

هُوَ الَّذِي خَلَقَ لَكُمْ مَّا فِي الْأَرْضِ جَمِيعًا

He it is who created for you all that is in the earth. (2:30)

هُوَ الَّذِي أَنْزَلَ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ مَاءً لَكُمْ مِنْهُ شَرَابٌ وَمِنْهُ  
شَجَرٌ فِيهِ تُسِيمُونَ ﴿١١﴾ يُنْبِتُ لَكُمْ بِهِ الزَّرْعَ وَالزَّيْتُونَ  
وَالنَّخِيلَ وَالْأَعْنَابَ وَمِنْ كُلِّ الثَّمَرَاتِ

He it is Who sends down water for you from the clouds; out of it you have your drink and with it plants and trees grow on which you feed your cattle. Therewith He grows corn for you, and the olive and the datepalm, and the grapes and all kinds of fruits. (16:11,12)



The winds carry vapours which arise from the earth to the upper regions where they assume the form of clouds. Then the rain comes and the parched, dry land gets a new life to the joy of the people. Indeed Allah is very Merciful to His creation.



إِنَّ اللَّهَ فَالِقُ الْحَبِّ وَالنَّوَىٰ

Surely it is Allah Who causes the grain and the date-stones to sprout. (6:96)

أَلَمْ تَرَ أَنَّ اللَّهَ أَنْزَلَ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ مَاءً فَأَخْرَجْنَا بِهِ ثَمَرَاتٍ مُّخْتَلِفًا أَلْوَانُهَا

Allah says:

Do you not see that Allah sends down water from the sky and we bring forth therewith fruits of different colours. (35:28)

أَأَنْتُمْ أَشَدُّ خَلْقًا أَمِ السَّمَاءُ بَنَاهَا

رَفَعَ سَمَكَهَا فَسَوَّيْنَاهَا ۖ وَأَغَطَّشَ لَيْلَهَا وَأَخْرَجَ ضُحَاهَا

وَالْأَرْضَ بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ دَحَاهَا ۖ أَخْرَجَ مِنْهَا مَاءً هَارًا وَمَرَعَهَا

وَالْجِبَالَ أَرْسَاهَا ۖ مَتَاعًا لَّكُمْ وَلِأَنْعَمَ عَلَيْكُمْ

Allah says:

Is it harder to create you or the sky?

He made it and He has raised its height.

He made it perfect. He has made its night dark and its morning bright. He spread forth the earth along with it.

He produced therefrom water and its pasture. He made the mountains firm. All this is a provision for you and your cattle. (79 :28-34)

فَلْيَنْظُرِ الْإِنْسَانُ إِلَىٰ طَعَامِهِ ۚ أَنَا صَبَّبْنَا الْمَاءَ صَبًّا

ثُمَّ شَقَقْنَا الْأَرْضَ شَقًّا ۖ فَأَبْيْتْنَا فِيهَا بَهَابًا ۖ وَعَيْنًا وَقَصْبًا

وَزَيْتُونًا وَنَخْلًا ۖ وَحَدَائِقَ غُلْبًا ۖ وَفَيْكِهَةً وَأَبًّا ۖ مِّنْعَالَمِكُمْ  
وَلَا نَعْمِكُمْ ۖ

Allah says:

Let man look at his food:

How We pour down water in abundance, then We split the earth thoroughly, and caused to grow therein grain and grapes, and vegetables, and the olive and the date-palm, and walled gardens thickly planted, and fruits and herbs, etc. as provision for you and your cattle. (80:25-33)

سُبْحٰنَ الَّذِىْ خَلَقَ الْاَزْوَاجَ كُلَّهَا مِمَّا تُنْبِتُ الْاَرْضُ  
وَمِنْ اَنْفُسِهِمْ وَمِمَّا لَا يَعْلَمُوْنَ ۖ

Holy is He Who created all things in pairs, of what the earth grows, and of themselves, and of what they know not. (36:37)



God has provided us with water which is essential for all forms of life on earth whether belonging to animal kingdom or plant kingdom. Water is essential for all vegetation on which we feed ourselves and our cattle.

Quran tells us that God has created all things in pairs. Pairs exist in vegetable kingdom, and even in inorganic matter. Even the so called elements do not exist by themselves.



وَهُوَ الَّذِي سَخَّرَ الْبَحْرَ لِتَأْكُلُوا مِنْهُ لَحْمًا طَرِيًّا  
وَتَسْتَخْرِجُوا مِنْهُ حِلْيَةً تَلْبَسُونَهَا

He it is Who has subjected to you the sea that you may eat fresh sea-food therefrom and may take forth therefrom articles that you may wear as ornaments. (16:15)

وَسَخَّرَ لَكُمْ الْفُلْكَ لِتَجْرِيَ فِي الْبَحْرِ بِأَمْرِهِ  
وَسَخَّرَ لَكُمْ الْأَنْهَارَ

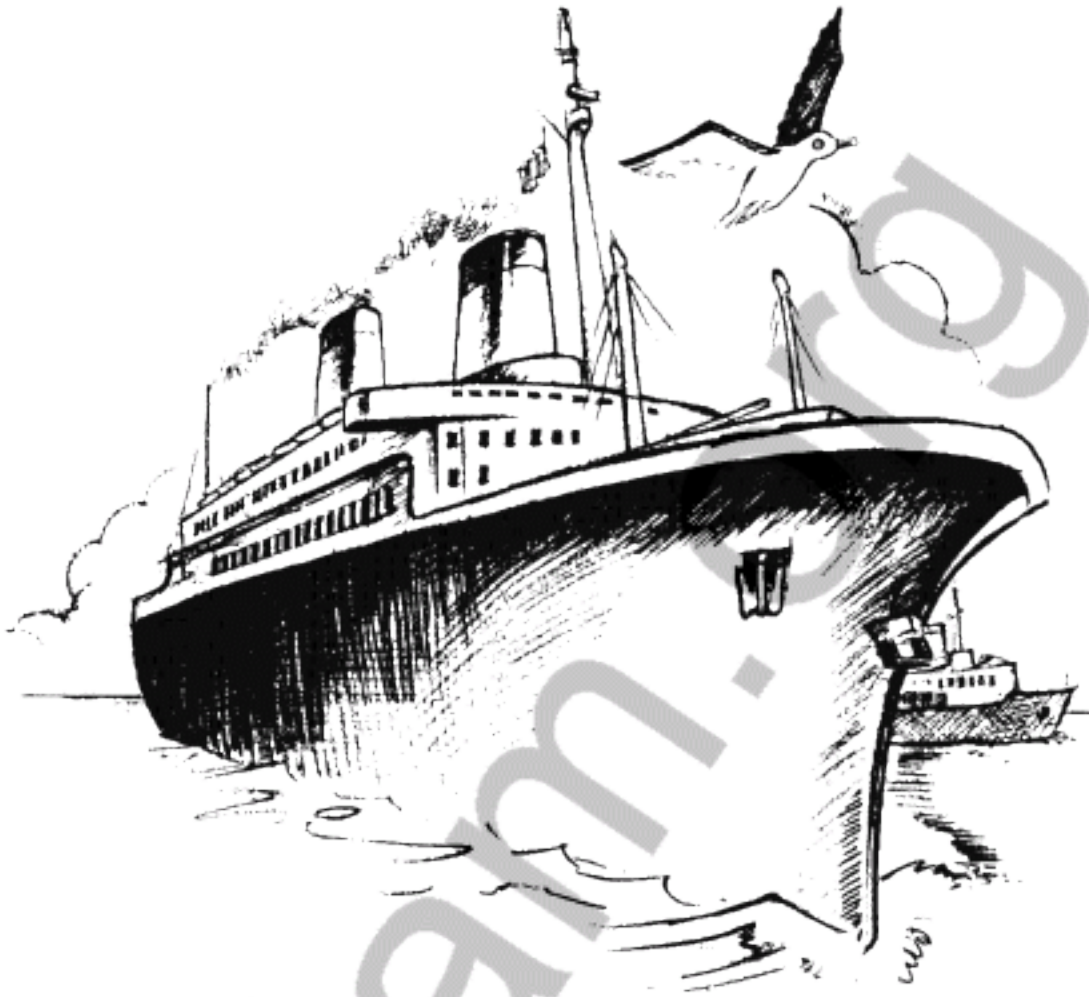
He has subjected to you the ships that they may sail through the sea by His command, and the rivers too has He subjected to you. (14:33)

وَمَا يَسْتَوِي الْبَحْرَانِ هَذَا عَذْبٌ فُرَاتٌ سَائِغٌ شَرَابُهُ، وَهَذَا  
مِلْحٌ أُجَاجٌ وَمِنْ كُلِّ تَأْكُلُونَ لَحْمًا طَرِيًّا وَتَسْتَخْرِجُونَ  
حِلْيَةً تَلْبَسُونَهَا وَتَرَى الْفُلْكَ فِيهِ مَوَازٍ لَتَبْتَغُوا مِنْ فَضْلِهِ  
وَلَعَلَّكُمْ تَشْكُرُونَ

Allah says:

The two waters are not alike; this one of the rivers and springs sweet, palatable and pleasant to drink, and the other of the sea, salty and bitter. From each you eat fresh meat and fish out articles that you wear as ornaments. You see the ships ploughing through each that you may seek of His bounty, and that you may be grateful. (35 :13)





The sea is a most important source of material benefits to man. It is the great repository of water from which the sun supplies us with rain.

It is also a great highway for travel and commerce and an important source of food for man.

In fact God is Most kind to His creation and has created the whole universe for the service of mankind. Therefore man has to fulfil the great mission for which he has been created.

وَمِنْ آيَاتِهِ الْجَوَارِ فِي الْبَحْرِ كَالْأَعْلَامِ ﴿٣٣﴾

And of His signs are the sailing ships on the sea, tall like mountains. (42:33)

اللَّهُ الَّذِي سَخَّرَ لَكُمُ الْبَحْرَ لِتَجْرِيَ الْفُلُكُ فِيهِ بِأَمْرِهِ وَلِيُنذِرَ مَنِ  
فَضَّلَهُ ۗ وَلَعَلَّكُمْ تَشْكُرُونَ ﴿٣٤﴾ وَسَخَّرَ لَكُم مَّا فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَمَا فِي  
الْأَرْضِ جَمِيعًا مِّنْهُ ۗ إِنَّ فِي ذَٰلِكَ لَآيَاتٍ لِّقَوْمٍ يَتَفَكَّرُونَ ﴿٣٥﴾

Allah is He Who has subjected the sea to you that ships may sail thereon by His command, and that you may seek of His bounty, and that you may be grateful.

He has subjected to you whatsoever is in the heavens and whatsoever is in the earth, all of it. In that surely are signs for a people who reflect. (45:13,14)

يَأْتِيهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا كُلُوا مِن طَيِّبَاتِ مَا رَزَقْنَاكُمْ  
وَأَشْكُرُوا لِلَّهِ إِن كُنتُمْ إِيَّاهُ تَعْبُدُونَ ﴿٣٦﴾ إِنَّمَا حَرَّمَ  
عَلَيْكُمْ الْمَيْتَةَ وَالْدَّمَ وَلَحْمَ الْخِنْزِيرِ وَمَا أُهْلَ بِهِ  
لِغَيْرِ اللَّهِ ۗ فَمَنِ اضْطُرَّ غَيْرَ بَاغٍ وَلَا عَادٍ فَلَا إِثْمَ عَلَيْهِ ۗ إِنَّ اللَّهَ  
غَفُورٌ رَّحِيمٌ ﴿٣٧﴾

Allah says:

O ye who believe! eat of the good things We have provided for you and render thanks to Allah, if it is He Whom you worship.

He has made unlawful to you only that which dies of itself, and blood and the flesh of swine, and that on which the name of any other than Allah has been invoked.

But he who is driven by necessity, being neither disobedient nor exceeding the limit, it shall be no sin for him. Surely Allah is Most Forgiving, Ever Merciful. (2:173,174)

حُرِّمَتْ عَلَيْكُمُ الْمَيْتَةُ وَالْدَّمُ وَلَحْمُ الْخَنِزِيرِ وَمَا أُهْلَ لِغَيْرِ اللَّهِ  
 بِهِ وَالْمُنْخَنِقَةُ وَالْمَوْقُوذَةُ وَالْمُتَرَدِّيَةُ وَالنَّطِيحَةُ وَمَا أَكَلَ  
 السَّبُعُ إِلَّا مَا ذَكَّيْتُمْ وَمَا ذُبِحَ عَلَى النُّصُبِ وَأَنْ تَسْتَقْسِمُوا  
 بِالْأَزْلَمِ ذَٰلِكُمْ فِسْقٌ ۗ الْيَوْمَ يَمِيسُ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْ دِينِكُمْ  
 فَلَا تَخْشَوْهُمْ وَاخْشَوْنِ الْيَوْمَ أَكْمَلْتُ لَكُمْ دِينَكُمْ وَأَتَمَمْتُ  
 عَلَيْكُمْ نِعْمَتِي وَرَضِيتُ لَكُمُ الْإِسْلَامَ دِينًا فَمَنِ اضْطُرَّ فِي  
 مَخْصَصَةٍ غَيْرِ مُتَجَانِفٍ لِإِثْمٍ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ ﴿١٧٤﴾

Forbidden to you is the flesh of a dead animal, and blood and the flesh of a swine; and that on which the name of one other than Allah is invoked; and the flesh of an animal that has been strangled, or is beaten to death, or is killed by a fall, or is gored to death; and of which a wild animal has eaten, unless you have slaughtered it properly before its death; and that which has been slaughtered at an altar. And forbidden is also that you seek to know your lot by the divining arrows. That is an act of disobedience. This day there who disbelieve have despaired of harming your religion. So fear them not, but fear Me. This day I have perfected your religion for you and completed My favours upon you and have chosen for you Islam as religion. But whoso is driven by necessity to eat any of these, without being wilfully inclined to sin, in such a case, surely Allah is Most Forgiving, Ever Merciful. (5:4)





Muslims are advised to eat good, pure and wholesome things which Allah has provided in plenty. They are not allowed to use things which may, in any way, injure their physical, moral or spiritual health. Those things which are declared unlawful have been proved to be harmful not only for physical health but also for moral and spiritual health.



يَسْأَلُونَكَ عَنِ الْخَمْرِ وَالْمَيْسِرِ قُلْ فِيهِمَا إِثْمٌ كَبِيرٌ  
وَمَنْفَعٌ لِلنَّاسِ وَإِثْمُهُمَا أَكْبَرُ مِنْ نَفْعِهِمَا

Allah says:

They ask you concerning liquor and gambling. Tell them: There is great harm in both and also some advantages for the people but their harm is greater than their advantage. (2 :220)

كُلُوا وَاشْرَبُوا وَلَا تُسْرِفُوا

Eat and drink but with moderation. (7:32)

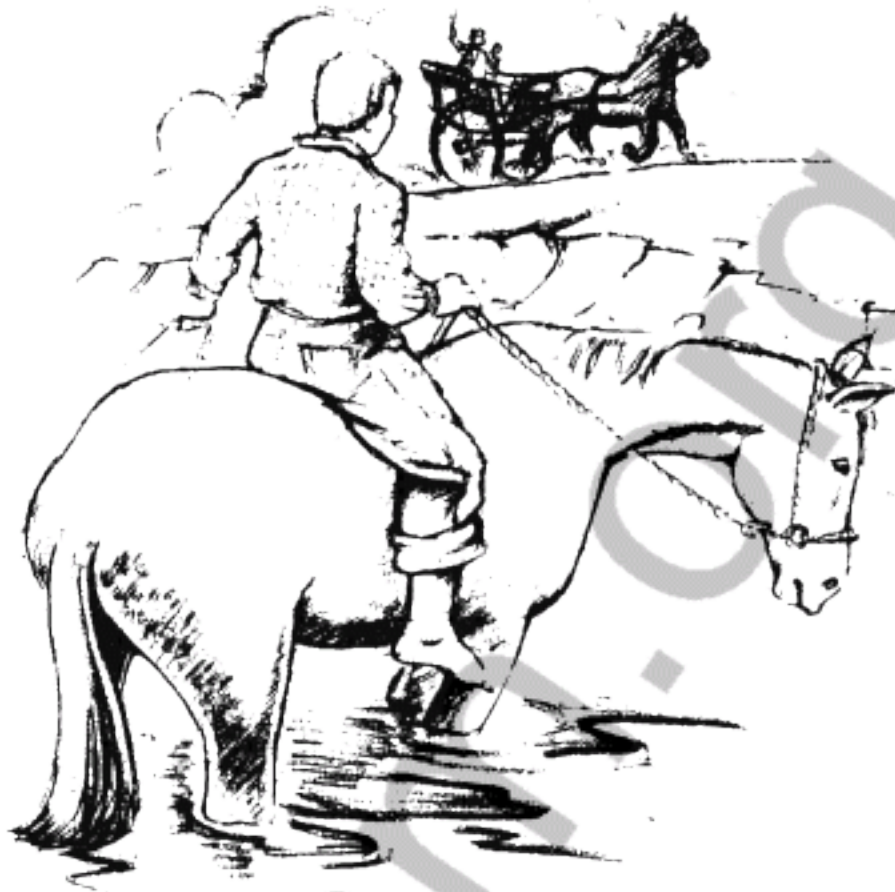
## ALLAH CREATED ANIMALS

وَاللَّهُ خَلَقَ كُلَّ دَابَّةٍ مِنْ مَاءٍ فَمِنْهُمْ مَنْ يَمْشِي عَلَى بَطْنِهِ، وَمِنْهُمْ مَنْ  
يَمْشِي عَلَى رِجْلَيْنِ وَمِنْهُمْ مَنْ يَمْشِي عَلَى أَرْبَعٍ يَخْلُقُ اللَّهُ مَا يَشَاءُ  
إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

Allah has created every animal from water. Some of them move on their bellies, some of them on two feet and some on four. Allah creates what He pleases. Surely Allah has power to do all that He wills. (24 :46)

اللَّهُ الَّذِي جَعَلَ لَكُمْ الْأَنْعَامَ لِتَرْكَبُوا مِنْهَا وَمِنْهَا  
تَأْكُلُونَ وَلَكُمْ فِيهَا مَنَافِعُ

It is Allah Who has made cattle for you, that you may ride some of them, and eat of some of them and you have other advantages in them. (40:80,81)



Allah has created cattle for us. They are used by us for many purposes. We ride on some of them, and we eat meat of some of them.

Some animals are used for ploughing our lands.

They are also used as a means of transport.

The Holy Quran told us that God would bring into existence new means of transport which were yet unknown to man.

The prophecy has been wonderfully fulfilled in the form of railway trains, steamships, motor cars, aeroplanes etc.

God alone knows what new means of transport are yet to be invented.

وَتَحْمِلُ أَثْقَالَكُمْ إِلَىٰ بَلَدٍ لَّمْ تَكُونُوا بَالِغِيهِ إِلَّا بِشِقِّ  
 الْأَنْفُسِ إِنَّ رَبَّكُمْ لَرءُوفٌ رَّحِيمٌ ﴿٩﴾ وَالْخَيْلَ وَالْبِغَالَ  
 وَالْحَمِيرَ لَتَرَكَّبُوها وَزِينَةً وَيَخْلُقُ مَا لَا تَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٨﴾

And they carry your load to places which you could not reach without great hardship to yourselves.

Surely your Lord is Compassionate, Merciful.

He has created horses, mules and donkeys that you may ride them, and as a source of beauty. And He will create what you do not know yet. (16 :8,9)

### ALLAH CREATED BEES AND BIRDS

وَأَوْحَىٰ رَبُّكَ إِلَى النَّعْلِ أَنْ اتَّخِذِي مِنَ الْجِبَالِ بُيُوتًا وَمِنَ الشَّجَرِ وَمِمَّا  
 يَعْرِشُونَ ﴿٦٩﴾ ثُمَّ كُلِي مِن كُلِّ الثَّمَرَاتِ فَاسْلُكِي سُبُلَ رَبِّكِ ذُلُلًا  
 يَخْرُجُ مِنْ بُطُونِهَا شَرَابٌ مُّخْتَلِفٌ أَلْوَانُهُ فِيهِ شِفَاءٌ لِلنَّاسِ إِنَّ  
 فِي ذَٰلِكَ لَآيَةً لِّقَوْمٍ يَتَفَكَّرُونَ ﴿٧٠﴾

Your Lord directed the bee; make your hives in the hills and in the trees and in trellises that they put up.

Then eat of every kind of fruit, and follow the ways of your Lord that have been made easy for you.

There comes forth from their bellies a drink of varying hues. Therein is cure for men. Surely, in that is a sign for a people who reflect. (16:69,70)





God created bees so that they can provide us with natural, pure, wholesome and invigorating food. God has created birds to our advantage. They soar high in the sky. He also created billions of insects, some of them live in communities like human beings.



أَوَلَمْ يَرَوْا إِلَى الطَّيْرِ فَوْقَهُمْ صَفَّتْ وَنَقَبَتْ ۗ

Allah says:

Have they not seen the birds above them spreading their wings in flight and then drawing them in to swoop down?  
(67:20)

وَمَا مِنْ دَابَّةٍ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَلَا طَيْرٍ يَبْتَاطِرُ بِجَنَاحَيْهِ إِلَّا أَسْمُكُمْ أَمْثَالِكُمْ  
مَا فَرَطْنَا فِي الْكِتَابِ مِنْ شَيْءٍ ثُمَّ إِلَىٰ رَبِّهِمْ يُحْشَرُونَ ۝

Allah says:

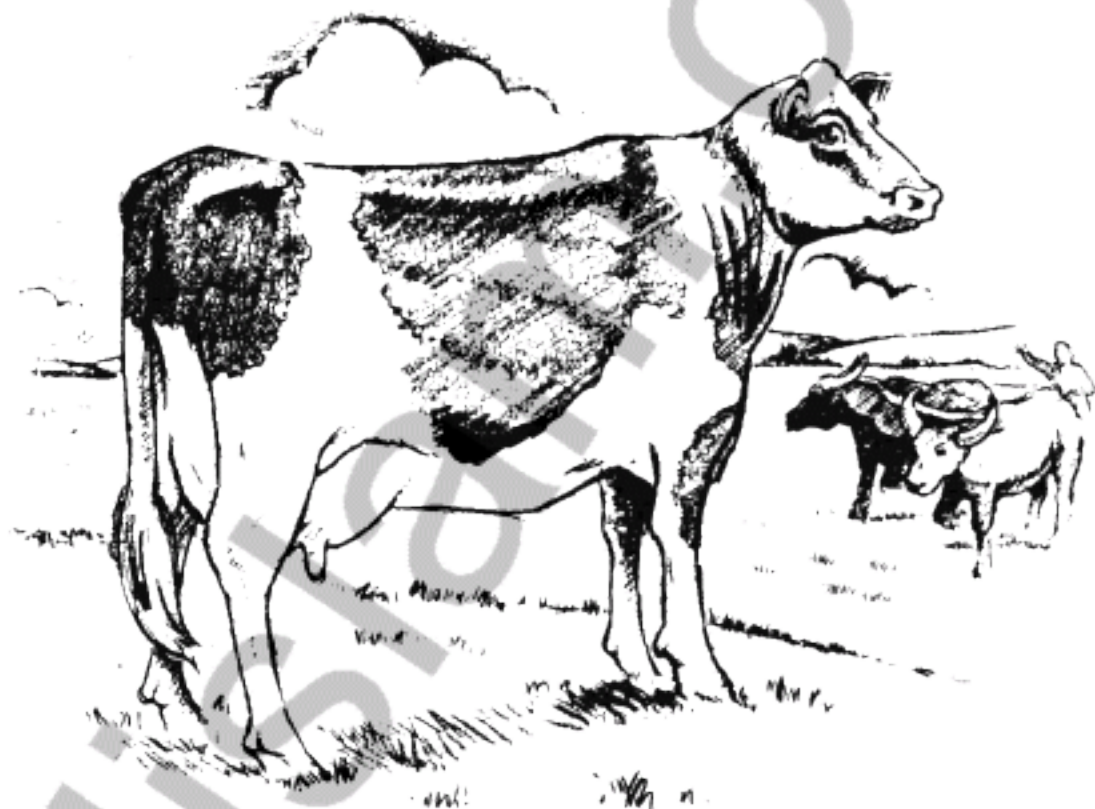
There is not an animal that moves about in the earth, nor a bird that flies on its two wings but are communities like you. We have not left out anything in the Book. Then to their Lord shall they be gathered together. (6:39)

## ALLAH HAS MADE OUR HOMES FOR SHELTER

وَاللَّهُ جَعَلَ لَكُمْ مِنْ بُيُوتِكُمْ سَكَنًا وَجَعَلَ لَكُمْ مِنْ جُلُودِ  
 الْأَنْعَامِ بُيُوتًا تَسْتَخِفُّونَهَا يَوْمَ ظَعْنِكُمْ وَيَوْمَ إِقَامَتِكُمْ  
 وَمِنْ أَصْوَابِهَا وَأَوْبَارِهَا وَأَشْعَارِهَا أَثْنَاوَمْتَعًا إِلَىٰ حِينٍ  
 وَاللَّهُ جَعَلَ لَكُمْ مِمَّا خَلَقَ ظِلَالًا وَجَعَلَ لَكُمْ  
 مِنَ الْجِبَالِ أَكْنَانًا وَجَعَلَ لَكُمْ سَرَابِيلَ تَقِيكُمُ  
 الْحَرَّ وَسَرَابِيلَ تَقِيكُمُ بَأْسَكُمْ كَذَلِكَ يُتِمُّ نِعْمَتَهُ  
 عَلَيْكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تُسَلِّمُونَ

Allah has made your homes, a place of rest for you and has made for you, of the skins of cattle, abodes which you find light at the time when you travel and useful at the time when you halt; and of their wools and their furs and their hair, He has supplied you with household goods and articles of use for a time.

And Allah has made for you, of that which He has created, things affording shade; and He has made for you places of shelter in the mountains; and He has made for you garments which protect you from heat, and coats of armour which protect you in your wars. Thus does He complete His favour on you, that you may submit to Him. (16:81,82)



Allah has provided us homes for shelter. He has also provided us with cattle, the skin, fur and even hair of which we can use for our own benefit. His favours on mankind are countless.

We should therefore be grateful to Allah.

### III

THE HOLY QURAN TELLS US THAT  
**WE SHOULD WORSHIP**  
**NONE BUT ALLAH**



## MAN IS CREATED TO WORSHIP GOD

وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ ﴿٥٧﴾

Allah says:

I have not created the Jinn and men but that they may worship Me. (51:57)

## WORSHIP ALLAH ALONE

يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ اعْبُدُوا رَبَّكُمُ الَّذِي خَلَقَكُمْ وَالَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِكُمْ  
لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ ﴿٢٢﴾

Allah says:

O people! worship your Lord Who created you and those who were before you, that you may become righteous. (2:22)

هُوَ الْحَيُّ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ فَادْعُوهُ مُخْلِصِينَ لَهُ الدِّينَ ﴿٦٦﴾  
الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿٦٦﴾

He is the living God. There is none worthy of worship except He. So pray to Him, being devoting your worship wholly and sincerely to Him. All praise belongs to Allah, the Lord of the worlds. (40:66)

## THOSE WHO OBEY ALLAH WILL BE SUCCESSFUL

وَمَنْ يُطِيعِ اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ وَيَخْشِ اللَّهَ وَيَتَّقْهُ فَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ  
الْفَائِزُونَ

And whoso obeys Allah and His Messenger and fears Allah, and takes Him as a shield for protection, it is they who will be successful. (24:53)

## RIGHTEOUS PEOPLE WILL BE REWARDED

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ وَأَقَامُوا الصَّلَاةَ  
وَأَتَوْا الزَّكَاةَ لَهُمْ أَجْرُهُمْ عِنْدَ رَبِّهِمْ وَلَا خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ  
وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُونَ

Surely those who believe and do good deeds and observe Prayer and pay the zakat, shall have their reward from their Lord and no fear shall come on them, nor shall they grieve. (2:278)

وَالَّذِينَ هُمْ عَلَى صَلَاتِهِمْ يُحَافِظُونَ

And those who are strict in the observance of their Prayer. These will be in the Garden, duly honoured. (70:35,36)

وَأَقِيمُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَآتُوا الزَّكَاةَ وَأَطِيعُوا الرَّسُولَ لَعَلَّكُمْ  
تُرْحَمُونَ

And observe Prayer and give the Zakat and obey the Messenger, that you may be shown mercy. (24:57)

### ALLAH RESPONDS TO OUR PRAYERS

وَقَالَ رَبُّكُمْ ادْعُونِي أَسْتَجِبْ لَكُمْ إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَسْتَكْبِرُونَ  
عَنْ عِبَادَتِي سَيَدْخُلُونَ جَهَنَّمَ دَاخِرِينَ

And your Lord says: Pray to Me; I will answer your prayer. But those who are too proud to worship Me, will surely enter hell, despised. (40:61)

### BE HUMBLE IN PRAYERS

ادْعُوا رَبَّكُمْ تَضَرُّعًا وَخُفْيَةً إِنَّهُ لَا يُحِبُّ الْمُعْتَدِينَ

Call upon your Lord in humility and in solitude. Surely He does not love the transgressors. (7:56)

### PRAYER IS COMPULSORY

إِنَّ الصَّلَاةَ كَانَتْ عَلَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ كِتَابًا مَوْقُوتًا

Allah says:

Surely Prayer is enjoined on the believers to be performed at fixed hours. (4:104)



## WATCH OVER YOUR PRAYERS

حَافِظُوا عَلَى الصَّلَوَاتِ وَالصَّلَاةِ الْوَسْطَى وَقُومُوا لِلَّهِ  
قَانِتِينَ

Allah says:

Watch over Prayers, and particularly the middle Prayer, and stand before Allah submissively. (2:239)

## LEAVE OFF BUSINESS FOR FRIDAY PRAYER

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا إِذَا نُودِيَ لِلصَّلَاةِ مِنْ يَوْمِ الْجُمُعَةِ  
فَاسْعَوْا إِلَى ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ وَذَرُوا الْبَيْعَ ذَلِكُمْ خَيْرٌ لَكُمْ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ  
تَعْلَمُونَ فَإِذَا قُضِيَتِ الصَّلَاةُ فَانْتَشِرُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ  
وَابْتَغُوا مِنْ فَضْلِ اللَّهِ وَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ كَثِيرًا لَعَلَّكُمْ تُفْلِحُونَ

O ye who believe! When the call is made for Prayer on Friday, hasten to the remembrance of Allah, and leave off all business. That is better for you, if you only knew. And when the Prayer is finished, then disperse in the land and seek of Allah's grace and remember Allah much, that you may prosper. (62:10,11)

## SHORTEN YOUR PRAYER ON JOURNEY

وَإِذَا ضَرَبْتُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ فَلَيْسَ عَلَيْكُمْ جُنَاحٌ أَنْ تَقْصُرُوا مِنَ الصَّلَاةِ



إِنْ خِفْتُمْ أَنْ يُفْتِنَكُمْ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا

And when you journey in the land, it shall be no blame on you if you shorten the Prayer, if you fear that those who disbelieve will cause you trouble. (4:102)

### PRAYER KEEPS ONE AWAY FROM INDECENCY

أَتْلُ مَا أُوحِيَ إِلَيْكَ مِنَ الْكِتَابِ وَأَقِمِ الصَّلَاةَ ابْتِغَاءَ الصَّلَاةِ  
تَنْهَى عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ

Recite that which has been revealed to thee of the Book, and observe Prayer. Surely Prayer restrains one from indecency and manifest evil; and the remembrance of Allah, indeed, is the greatest virtue. (29:46)

### PRAYER GIVES TRUE HAPPINESS

وَسَبِّحْ بِحَمْدِ رَبِّكَ قَبْلَ طُلُوعِ الشَّمْسِ وَقَبْلَ غُرُوبِهَا وَمِنْ أَنْ آيِ  
الَّيْلِ فَسَبِّحْ وَأَطْرَافَ النَّهَارِ لَعَلَّكَ تَرْضَى

Glorify thy Lord with His praise before the rising of the sun and before its setting; and glorify Him in the hours of the night and all parts of the day, that thou mayest find true happiness. (20:131)

## PERFORM ABLUTION BEFORE PRAYER

يَتَأَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا إِذَا قُمْتُمْ إِلَى الصَّلَاةِ فَاغْسِلُوا  
وُجُوهَكُمْ وَأَيْدِيَكُمْ إِلَى الْمَرَافِقِ وَامْسَحُوا بِرُءُوسِكُمْ  
وَأَرْجُلَكُمْ إِلَى الْكَعْبَيْنِ وَإِنْ كُنْتُمْ جُنُبًا فَاطَّهَّرُوا

Allah says:

O believers! when you stand up for Prayer, wash your faces, and your hands up to the elbows, and pass your wet hands over your heads, and wash your feet to the ankles, And if you be unclean, purify yourselves by bathing. (5:7)

## PERFORM TAYYAMUM IF WATER IS NOT AVAILABLE

يَتَأَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا لَا تَقْرَبُوا الصَّلَاةَ  
وَأَنْتُمْ سُكَرَىٰ حَتَّىٰ تَعْلَمُوا مَا تَقُولُونَ وَلَا جُنُبًا إِلَّا عَابِرِي  
سَبِيلٍ حَتَّىٰ تَغْتَسِلُوا وَإِنْ كُنْتُمْ مَرْضَىٰ أَوْ عَلَىٰ سَفَرٍ أَوْ جَاءَ  
أَحَدٌ مِنْكُمْ مِنَ الْغَايِبِ أَوْ لَمَسْتُمُ النِّسَاءَ فَلَمْ تَجِدُوا مَاءً  
فَتَيَمَّمُوا صَعِيدًا طَيِّبًا فَامْسَحُوا بِوُجُوهِكُمْ وَأَيْدِيكُمْ إِنَّ  
اللَّهَ كَانَ عَفُورًا غَفُورًا

O ye who believe, approach not Prayer when you are not in full possession of your senses, until you know what you

say, nor when you have consorted with your wives, except during the course of a journey, until you have bathed. And if you are ill or you are on a journey while unclean, or if one of you comes from the privy or you have consorted with your wives and you find no water, then betake yourselves to pure dust and wipe there with your faces and your hands. Surely Allah is Most Indulgent, Most Forgiving. (4:44)

## KEEP FASTS IN THE MONTH OF RAMADHAN

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا كُتِبَ  
 عَلَيْكُمُ الصِّيَامُ كَمَا كُتِبَ عَلَى الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِكُمْ  
 لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ ﴿٢١٨﴾ أَيَّامًا مَّعْدُودَاتٍ فَمَن كَانَ مِنكُم  
 مَّرِيضًا أَوْ عَلَى سَفَرٍ فَعِدَّةٌ مِّنْ أَيَّامٍ أُخَرَ وَعَلَى الَّذِينَ  
 يُطِيقُونَهُ فِدْيَةٌ طَعَامُ مِسْكِينٍ فَمَن تَطَوَّعَ خَيْرًا فَهُوَ خَيْرٌ  
 لَهُۥ وَأَن تَصُومُوا خَيْرٌ لَّكُمْ إِن كُنتُمْ تَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٢١٩﴾

O believers! fasting is prescribed for you, as it was prescribed for those before you, so that you may become righteous. Fasting is for a fixed number of days, but whoso among you is sick or is on a journey shall fast the same number of other days; and for those who are able to fast only with great difficulty is an expiation - the feeding of a poor man.

And whoso does a good deed with willing obedience, it is better for him. And fasting is good for you if you only knew. (2:184,185)



## THOSE WHO OFFER PRAYERS AND PAY ZAKAT PROSPER

الَّذِينَ يُقِيمُونَ الصَّلَاةَ وَيُؤْتُونَ الزَّكَاةَ وَهُمْ بِالْآخِرَةِ هُمْ يُوقِنُونَ ﴿٥٦﴾  
 أُولَئِكَ عَلَى هُدًى مِنْ رَبِّهِمْ وَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْمُفْلِحُونَ ﴿٥٧﴾

Allah says:

Those who observe Prayer and pay the Zakat and who have firm faith in the Hereafter. It is they who follow guidance from their Lord and it is they who shall prosper (31:5,6)

## ZAKAT IS SPENT FOR A GOOD CAUSE

إِنَّمَا الصَّدَقَتُ لِلْفُقَرَاءِ وَالْمَسْكِينِ وَالْعَمِلِينَ عَلَيْهَا  
 وَالْمَوْلَافَةِ فُلُوبِهِمْ وَفِي الرِّقَابِ وَالْغُرْمِينَ وَفِي سَبِيلِ  
 اللَّهِ وَأَبْنِ السَّبِيلِ فَرِيضَةً مِنَ اللَّهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلِيمٌ حَكِيمٌ ﴿٦٠﴾

The alms are only for the poor and the needy, and for those employed in connection therewith, and for those whose hearts are to be reconciled, and for the freeing of slaves and for those in debt, and for the cause of Allah, and for the wayfarer - an ordinance from Allah.

And Allah is All Knowing, Wise. (9:60)



## PERFORM HAJJ

لِلَّهِ عَلَى النَّاسِ حِجُّ الْبَيْتِ مَنِ اسْتَطَاعَ إِلَيْهِ سَبِيلًا

Pilgrimage to the House is a duty laid upon people which they owe to Allah, those of them who can afford the journey. (3:98)

إِنَّ أَوَّلَ بَيْتٍ وُضِعَ لِلنَّاسِ لَلَّذِي بِبَكَّةَ مُبَارَكًا وَهُدًى  
لِّلْعَالَمِينَ

Surely, the first House founded for mankind is that at Becca (the valley of Makkah) abounding in blessings and a guidance for all peoples. (3:97)

الْحَجُّ أَشْهُرٌ مَّعْلُومَاتٌ فَمَنْ فَرَضَ فِيهِنَّ الْحَجَّ فَلَا رَفَثَ  
وَلَا فُسُوقَ وَلَا جِدَالَ فِي الْحَجِّ وَمَا تَفَعَّلُوا مِنْ خَيْرٍ  
يَعْلَمُهُ اللَّهُ وَتَكْرَهُوا فَأْتُوا خَيْرَ الزَّادِ النَّقْوَى وَأَتَّقُوا  
يَا أُولِي الْأَلْبَابِ

The months of the Haj are well known; so whoever determines to perform the Pilgrimage in these months should remember that there is to be no foul talk, nor any transgression, nor any quarrelling during the Pilgrimage. And whatever good you do, Allah knows it. And furnish yourselves with necessary provisions, and surely the best provision is righteousness. And fear Me alone, o men of understanding. (2:198)



*The Ka'aba.*

Kaaba was the first House of worship built in the world. It is situated in Makkah, Arabia. Muslims from all over the world gather there every year for the pilgrimage.

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**IV**  
**THE HOLY QURAN TELLS US ABOUT**  
**ANGELS**

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## ANGELS

Angels are God's agents. They bring messages of God and execute His will in the universe.

The angels possess powers and qualities in varying degrees and in accordance with the importance of the work entrusted to each one of them. The Arch-angel Gabriel is the chief of all the angels and therefore the most important work of carrying Divine revelation to God's Messengers is entrusted to him and is done under his care and supervision.

Some other angels are Michael, Israfil and Israel. Belief in angels is an article of Muslim faith.

## BELIEF IN ANGELS IS ESSENTIAL

ءَامَنَ الرَّسُولُ بِمَا أُنزِلَ  
إِلَيْهِ مِنْ رَبِّهِ ۚ وَالْمُؤْمِنُونَ كُلٌّ ءَامَنَ بِاللَّهِ وَمَلَائِكَتِهِ وَكُتُبِهِ  
وَرُسُلِهِ ۚ لَا نُفَرِّقُ بَيْنَ أَحَدٍ مِنْ رُسُلِهِ ۚ وَقَالُوا سَمِعْنَا  
وَأَطَعْنَا غُفْرَانَكَ رَبَّنَا وَإِلَيْكَ الْمَصِيرُ ﴿٢٨٦﴾

This Messenger of Ours believes in that which has been revealed to him from his Lord, and so do the believers: all of them believe in Allah, and in His angels, and in His Books, and in His Messengers, saying, 'We make no distinction between any of His Messengers': and they say, 'we hear, and we obey. We implore Thy forgiveness, o our Lord, and to Thee is the returning'. (2:286)

لَيْسَ الْبِرَّ أَنْ تُوَلُّوا وُجُوهَكُمْ قِبَلَ الْمَشْرِقِ وَالْمَغْرِبِ وَلَكِنَّ  
الْبِرَّ مَنْ ءَامَنَ بِاللَّهِ وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ وَالْمَلَائِكَةِ وَالْكِتَابِ  
وَالنَّبِيِّنَ

It is not righteousness that you turn your faces to the East or the West, but truly righteous is he who believes in Allah and the Last Day and the angels and the Books and the Prophets. (2:178)

مَنْ كَانَ عَدُوًّا لِلَّهِ وَمَلَائِكَتِهِ وَرُسُلِهِ وَجِبْرِيلَ  
وَمِيكَائِيلَ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ عَدُوٌّ لِلْكَافِرِينَ

'Whoever is an enemy to Allah, and His angels, and His Messengers, and Gabriel, and Michael, then surely, Allah is an enemy to such disbelievers. (2:99)

### ANGELS GLORIFY ALLAH WITH HIS PRAISE

وَتَرَى الْمَلَائِكَةَ حَافِينَ مِنْ حَوْلِ الْعَرْشِ يُسَبِّحُونَ بِحَمْدِ  
رَبِّهِمْ وَقُضِيَ بَيْنَهُم بِالْحَقِّ وَقِيلَ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿٧٦﴾

And thou wilt see the angels going round the Throne, glorifying their Lord with His praise. And it will be judged between them with justice. And it will be said: 'All praise belongs to Allah, the Lord of the worlds.' (39:76)

### ANGELS CONVEY THE MESSAGE OF ALLAH

اللَّهُ يَصْطَفِي مِنَ الْمَلَائِكَةِ رُسُلًا وَمِنَ النَّاسِ  
إِنَّ اللَّهَ سَمِيعٌ بَصِيرٌ ﴿٧٦﴾

Allah chooses His Messengers from among angels, and from among men. Surely, Allah is All-Hearing, All-Seeing. (22:76)

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ فَاطِرِ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ جَاعِلِ الْمَلَائِكَةِ رُسُلًا أُولَى  
 أَجْنِحَةٍ مَّثْنَى وَثُلَاثَ وَرُبْعَ يَزِيدُ فِي الْخَلْقِ مَا يَشَاءُ إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلَى كُلِّ  
 شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

All praise belongs to Allah, the Maker of the heavens and the earth, Who employs the angels as messengers, having wings, two, three and four. He adds to His creation whatever He pleases; for Allah has power over all things. (35:2)

### ANGELS KEEP RECORD OF WHAT WE DO

وَإِنَّ عَلَيْكُمْ لَحَافِظِينَ ۝ كِرَامًا كُنُوزًا ۝ يَعْلَمُونَ مَا تَفْعَلُونَ ۝

Allah says:

But there are guardians over you  
 Honoured recorders,  
 Who know all that you do. (82:11-13)

### ANGELS BRING GLAD TIDINGS TO BELIEVERS

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا رَبُّنَا اللَّهُ ثُمَّ اسْتَقَمُوا تَتَنَزَّلُ عَلَيْهِمُ  
 الْمَلَائِكَةُ أَلَّا تَخَافُوا وَلَا تَحْزَنُوا وَأَبْشِرُوا بِالْجَنَّةِ  
 الَّتِي كُنْتُمْ تُوعَدُونَ ۝ نَحْنُ أَوْلِيَائُكُمْ فِي الْحَيَاةِ  
 الدُّنْيَا وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ وَلَكُمْ فِيهَا مَا تَشْتَهُى أَنْفُسُكُمْ  
 وَلَكُمْ فِيهَا مَا تَدْعُونَ ۝ نَزَّلْنَا مِنْ غَفُورٍ رَحِيمٍ ۝



As for those who say, 'Our Lord is Allah,' and then remain steadfast, the angels descend on them, saying: 'Fear ye not, nor grieve; and rejoice in the Garden that you were promised.

'We are your friends in this life and in the Hereafter. Therein you will have all that your souls will desire, and therein you will have all that you will ask for-

'An entertainment from the Most Forgiving, the Merciful.' (41:31-33)

### ANGELS ASK FORGIVENESS FOR THOSE WHO BELIEVE

تَكَادُ السَّمَوَاتُ يَتَفَطَّرْنَ مِنْ فَوْقِهِنَّ  
وَالْمَلَائِكَةُ يُسَبِّحُونَ بِحَمْدِ رَبِّهِمْ وَيَسْتَغْفِرُونَ لِمَنْ فِي  
الْأَرْضِ ۗ أَلَا إِنَّ اللَّهَ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ

The heavens may well-nigh rend asunder from above them; and the angels glorify their Lord with His praise and ask forgiveness for those on the earth. Behold! it is surely Allah Who is the Most Forgiving, the Merciful. (42:6)

### ALLAH BEARS WITNESS TO THE UNITY OF ALLAH

شَهِدَ اللَّهُ أَنَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ وَالْمَلَائِكَةُ وَأُولُو الْعِلْمِ قَائِمًا بِالْقِسْطِ  
لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ

Allah bears witness that there is no God but He-and also do the angels and those possessed of knowledge-Maintainer of justice; there is no God but He, the Mighty, the Wise. (3:19)

### ANGELS ALWAYS OBEY ALLAH

يَتَأْتِيهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا قَوًّا أَنفُسِكُمْ وَأَهْلِيكُمْ نَارًا وَقُودُهَا النَّاسُ  
وَالْحِجَارَةُ عَلَيْهَا مَلَائِكَةٌ غِلَاظٌ شِدَادٌ لَا يَعْصُونَ اللَّهَ مَا  
أَمَرَهُمْ وَيَفْعَلُونَ مَا يُؤْمَرُونَ ﴿٧﴾

O ye who believe! save yourselves and your families from a Fire whose fuel is men and stones, over which are appointed angels, stern and severe, who disobey not Allah in what He commands them and do as they are commanded. (66:7)

### ANGELS INSTIL FEAR INTO THE HEARTS OF NON-BELIEVERS

إِذْ يُوحَىٰ رَبُّكَ إِلَى الْمَلَائِكَةِ أَنِّي مَعَكُمْ فَثَبِّتُوا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا  
سَأَلْتِي فِي قُلُوبِ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا الرُّعْبَ فَأَضْرِبُوا فَوْقَ  
الْأَعْنَاقِ وَأَضْرِبُوا مِنْهُمْ كُلَّ بَنَانٍ ﴿٧﴾

When thy Lord revealed to the angels, *saying*, 'I am with you; so give firmness to those who believe. I will cast

terror into the hearts of those who disbelieve. Smite, then, the upper parts of their necks, and smite off all finger-tips.' (8:13)

### ALLAH SENDS DOWN ANGELS ON WHOMSOEVER HE PLEASES

يُنزِلُ الْمَلَائِكَةَ بِالرُّوحِ مِنْ أَمْرِهِ عَلَى مَنْ يَشَاءُ مِنْ عِبَادِهِ  
 أَنْ أَنْذِرُوا أَنَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنَا فَاتَّقُونِ

He sends down the angels with revelation by His command on whomsoever of His servants He pleases *saying*, 'Warn *people* that there is no God but I, so take Me alone for your Protector.' (16:3)

**V****THE HOLY QURAN TELLS US ABOUT  
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## THE DIVINIE BOOKS

Suhf-i-Ibrahim given to Hazrat Ibrahim (Abraham) peace be upon him, Taurat given to hazrat Moosa (Moses) peace upon him, Zabur given to Hazrat Dawood (David) peace be upon him, Injil given to Hazrat Isa (Jesus) peace be upon him and the Holy Quran revealed word by word to Hazrat Muhammad, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, are some of the Divine Books mentioned in the Holy Quran. A Muslim has to believe in all the Divine Books.

While all previous Books were addressed to a particular people and were sent to fulfil the specific needs of the time, the Holy Quran has been revealed for the benefit of the whole of mankind.

Therefore though from the point of view of revelation, all Divine Books are doubtless equal, yet some are superior to others on account of the quantum of their contents and the perfection of matters relating to the faith contained therein. From this point of view the Holy Quran is superior to all Books in as much as are necessary for perfecting the religion, as, for instance, questions relating to the Unity of God, the negation of all types of shirk, remedies for the spiritual ills, arguments for the rejection of false religions and the proof of true doctrines that are set out forcefully in the Holy Quran. Quran, therefore, is a perfect Book, which comprises all knowledge and wisdom and its teachings are everlasting.

## SUHF WERE GIVEN TO ABRAHAM

قَدْ أَفْلَحَ مَنْ تَزَكَّى ۖ وَذَكَرَ اسْمَ رَبِّهِ فَصَلَّى ۖ  
 بَلْ تُؤَثِّرُونَ الْحَيَاةَ الدُّنْيَا ۖ وَالْآخِرَةَ خَيْرٌ وَأَبْقَى ۖ إِنَّ  
 هَذَا فِي السُّحُفِ الْأُولَى ۖ صُحُفِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَمُوسَى ۖ

Verily, he truly prospers who purifies himself, And re-  
 members the name of his Lord and offers Prayers.  
 But you prefer the life of this world, whereas the Hereafter  
 is better and more lasting.  
 This indeed is what is taught in the former Scriptures-  
 The Scriptures of Abraham and Moses. (87:15-20)

## TORAH WAS SENT BY GOD: IT CONTAINED GUIDANCE AND LIGHT

إِنَّا أَنْزَلْنَا التَّوْرَةَ فِيهَا  
 هُدًى وَنُورٌ يُحْكَمُ بِهَا النَّبِيُّونَ الَّذِينَ أَسْلَمُوا لِلَّذِينَ  
 هَادُوا وَالرَّبَّانِيُّونَ وَالْأَحْبَارُ بِمَا اسْتُحْفِظُوا مِنْ كِتَابِ  
 اللَّهِ وَكَانُوا عَلَيْهِ شُهَدَاءَ ۚ فَلَا تَخْشَوُا النَّاسَ  
 وَأَخْشَوُا اللَّهَ وَلَا تَشْتَرُوا بِآيَاتِي ثَمَنًا قَلِيلًا ۚ وَمَنْ لَمْ يَحْكَمْ  
 بِمَا أَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ فَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْكَافِرُونَ ۖ

Allah says:

Surely, We sent down the Torah wherein was guidance and light. By it did the Prophets, who were obedient to Us, judge for the Jews, as did the godly people and those learned in the Law; for they were required to preserve the Book of Allah, and because they were guardians over it. Therefore fear not men but fear Me; and barter not My Signs for a paltry price. And whoso judges not by that which Allah has sent down, these it is who are the disbelievers. (5:45)

ثُمَّ آتَيْنَا مُوسَى الْكِتَابَ تَمَامًا عَلَى الَّذِي أَحْسَنَ وَتَفْصِيلًا  
لِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ وَهُدًى وَرَحْمَةً لَّعَلَّهُمْ بِلِقَاءِ رَبِّهِمْ يُؤْمِنُونَ

Again, We gave Moses the Book-completing the favour upon him who did good, and an explanation of all necessary things, and a guidance and a mercy - that they might believe in the meeting with their Lord. (6:155)

### GOD TOOK A COVENANT FROM MOSES AND HIS PEOPLE TO HOLD FAST THE TEACHINGS OF TORAH

وَإِذْ أَخَذْنَا مِيثَاقَكُمْ وَرَفَعْنَا فَوْقَكُمُ الطُّورَ خُذُوا  
مَاءَ آتَيْنَاكُمْ بِقُوَّةٍ وَاذْكُرُوا مَا فِيهِ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ

God said to Moses:

And remember the time when We took a covenant from you and raised high above you the Mount, saying: 'Hold fast that which We have given you and bear in mind what is therein, that you may be saved.' (2:64)



## MANY JEWS PROFESSED BELIEF IN TORAH BUT DO NOT ACT ON ITS COMMANDMENTS

مَثَلُ الَّذِينَ حُمِّلُوا التَّوْرَةَ ثُمَّ لَمْ يَحْمِلُوهَا كَمَثَلِ الْحِمَارِ  
يَحْمِلُ أَسْفَارًا بِئْسَ مَثَلُ الْقَوْمِ الَّذِينَ كَذَّبُوا بِآيَاتِ اللَّهِ وَاللَّهُ  
لَا يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ الظَّالِمِينَ

The likeness of those who were made to bear the *law of Torah*, but would not bear it, is as the likeness of a donkey carrying a *load of books*. Evil is the likeness of the people who reject the Signs of Allah. And Allah guides not the wrongdoing people.

(62:6)

## PEOPLE OF MOSES BROKE THE COVENANT WITH GOD AND PERVERTED THE TORAH

فِيمَا نَقَضُوا مِيثَاقَهُمْ لَعَنَّاهُمْ وَجَعَلْنَا قُلُوبَهُمْ قَاسِيَةً  
يُحَرِّفُونَ الْكَلِمَ عَن مَّوَاضِعِهَا وَتَسُوا حُظُومَهَا  
ذَكَرُوا بِهَا وَلَا تَزَالُ تَطَّلِعُ عَلَى خَائِنَةٍ مِنْهُمْ إِلَّا قَلِيلًا مِنْهُمْ  
فَاعْفُ عَنْهُمْ وَأَصْفَحْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُحْسِنِينَ

So, because of their breaking their covenant, We have cursed them, and have hardened their hearts. They pervert the words from their *proper* places and have forgotten a *good* part of that with which they were exhorted.



And thou wilt not cease to discover treachery on their part, except *in* a few of them. So pardon them and turn away *from them*. Surely, Allah loves those who do good. (5:14)

## ZABOOR WAS GIVEN TO PROPHET DAVID

وَرَبُّكَ أَعْلَمُ بِمَن فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَلَقَدْ فَضَّلْنَا بَعْضَ  
النَّبِيِّينَ عَلَى بَعْضٍ ۖ وَآتَيْنَا دَاوُدَ زَبُورًا ﴿٥٦﴾

And thy Lord knows best those that are in the heavens and the earth. And We exalted some of the Prophets over the others, and to David We gave a Book. (17:56)

## JESUS WAS COMMANDED TO FULFIL WHAT WAS REVEALED IN TORAH: GOD GAVE HIM INJEEL WHICH CONTAINED GUIDANCE

وَقَفَّيْنَا عَلَىٰ آثَرِهِم بِعِيسَى ابْنِ مَرْيَمَ مُصَدِّقًا لِّمَا بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ مِنَ  
التَّوْرَةِ ۖ وَآتَيْنَاهُ الْإِنْجِيلَ فِيهِ هُدًى وَنُورٌ وَمُصَدِّقًا لِّمَا بَيْنَ  
يَدَيْهِ مِنَ التَّوْرَةِ وَهُدًى وَمَوْعِظَةً لِّلْمُتَّقِينَ ﴿٥٧﴾

And We caused Jesus, son of Mary, to follow in their footsteps, fulfilling that which was *revealed* before him in the Torah; and We gave him the Gospel which contained guidance and light, fulfilling that which was *revealed* before it in the Torah, and a guidance and an admonition for the God-fearing. (5:47)

## SOME PEOPLE INTERPOLATED THE BOOKS SUBSEQUENTLY

فَوَيْلٌ لِلَّذِينَ يَكْتُبُونَ الْكِتَابَ بِأَيْدِيهِمْ ثُمَّ يَقُولُونَ هَذَا  
مِنْ عِنْدِ اللَّهِ لِيَشْتَرُوا بِهِ ثَمَنًا قَلِيلًا فَوَيْلٌ لَهُمْ مِمَّا  
كَتَبَتْ أَيْدِيهِمْ وَوَيْلٌ لَهُمْ مِمَّا يَكْسِبُونَ ﴿٨٠﴾

Woe, therefore, to those who write the Book with their own hands and then say, 'This is from Allah,' that they may take for it a paltry price. Woe, then, to them for what their hands have written, and woe to them for what they earn. (2:80)

وَإِنَّ مِنْهُمْ لَفَرِيقًا يَلْوُونَ أَلْسِنَتَهُم بِالْكِتَابِ لِتَحْسَبُوهُ  
مِنَ الْكِتَابِ وَمَا هُوَ مِنَ الْكِتَابِ وَيَقُولُونَ هُوَ  
مِنْ عِنْدِ اللَّهِ وَمَا هُوَ مِنْ عِنْدِ اللَّهِ وَيَقُولُونَ عَلَى اللَّهِ الْكُذِبَ  
وَهُمْ يَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٧٩﴾

And, surely, among them is a party who twist their tongues while reciting the Book that you may think it to be part of the Book, while it is not part of the Book. And they say, 'It is from Allah;' while it is not from Allah; and they utter a lie against Allah while they know. (3:79)

**THE HOLY QURAN CONTAINS THE TRUTH  
AND FULFILLS THAT WHICH PRECEDES IT  
i.e., THE PREVIOUS SCRIPTURES**

نَزَّلَ عَلَيْكَ الْكِتَابَ بِالْحَقِّ مُصَدِّقًا لِمَا بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ وَأَنْزَلَ التَّوْرَةَ  
وَالْإِنْجِيلَ ۖ مِنْ قَبْلُ هُدًى لِّلنَّاسِ وَأَنْزَلَ الْفُرْقَانَ

He has sent down to thee the Book containing the truth and fulfilling that which precedes it; and He sent down the Torah and the Gospel before this, as a guidance to the people; and He has sent down the Discrimination.

(3:4-5)

وَأَنْزَلْنَا إِلَيْكَ الْكِتَابَ بِالْحَقِّ مُصَدِّقًا لِمَا بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ مِنَ  
الْكِتَابِ وَمُهَيْمِنًا عَلَيْهِ

We have revealed unto you the Book comprising the truth and fulfilling that which was revealed before it in the Book, and as a guardian over it. (5:49)

**SEEK REFUGE WITH ALLAH BEFORE  
READING THE QURAN**

فَإِذَا قَرَأْتَ الْقُرْآنَ فَاسْتَعِذْ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

When you recite the Quran, seek refuge with Allah from Satan the rejected (16:99)



## QURAN IS THE WORD OF ALLAH

نَزِيلٌ مِّن رَّبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿٦٩﴾

It is a revelation from the Lord of the worlds. (69:44)

## QURAN IS FROM ALLAH

وَمَا كَانَ هَذَا الْقُرْآنُ أَنْ يُفْتَرَىٰ مِن دُونِ اللَّهِ وَلَكِن تَصْدِيقَ الَّذِي  
بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ وَتَفْصِيلَ الْكِتَابِ لَا رَيْبَ فِيهِ مِّن رَّبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿١٠﴾

It would not be possible for this Quran to be devised by anyone except Allah. It fulfils the revelation which was sent down before it and is an exposition of all that a revealed Book should comprise. There is no doubt about it; it is from the Lord of the worlds. (10:38)

## QURAN IS EASY TO UNDERSTAND

إِنَّا جَعَلْنَاهُ قُرْآنًا عَرَبِيًّا لَّعَلَّكُمْ تَعْقِلُونَ ﴿٤٣﴾ وَإِنَّهُ  
فِي أُمِّ الْكِتَابِ لَدَيْنَا لَعَلِيَّ حَكِيمٌ ﴿٤٥﴾

Allah says:

We have made it a Quran in clear, eloquent language that you may understand. And surely, it is safe with us in the mother of the Book, exalted and full of wisdom (43:4,5)



وَلَقَدْ يَسَّرْنَا الْقُرْآنَ لِلذِّكْرِ فَهَلْ مِنْ مُدَكِّرٍ ﴿١٨﴾

And indeed We have made the Quran easy to understand and easy to remember. (54:18)

### QURAN IS FULL OF BLESSING

وَهَذَا كِتَابٌ أَنْزَلْنَاهُ مُبَارَكٌ فَاتَّبِعُوهُ وَاتَّقُوا لَعَلَّكُمْ تُرْحَمُونَ ﴿١٥٦﴾

And this is a book which We have sent down; it is full of blessing. So follow it and guard against sin that you may be shown mercy. (6:156)

### QURAN HAS EVERY DETAIL

كِتَابٌ أُحْكِمَتْ آيَاتُهُ ثُمَّ فُصِّلَتْ مِنْ لَدُنْ حَكِيمٍ خَيْرٍ ﴿٢﴾

Allah says:

This is a Book whose verses have been firmly established and have been expounded in detail. It is from One Wise and All-Aware. (11:2)

مَا فَرَّطْنَا فِي الْكِتَابِ مِنْ شَيْءٍ

We have left out nothing in the Book. (6:39)

## LISTEN CAREFULLY TO QURAN

وَإِذَا قُرِئَ الْقُرْآنُ فَاسْتَمِعُوا لَهُ وَأَنْصِتُوا لَعَلَّكُمْ تُرْحَمُونَ ﴿٢٠٥﴾

Allah says:

When Quran is recited, listen carefully to it in silence, that you may be shown mercy. (7:205)

## QURAN WAS REVEALED PIECE MEAL

﴿١٠٧﴾ وَقُرْءَانَا فَرَقْنَاهُ لِتَقْرَأَهُ عَلَى النَّاسِ عَلَى مُكْثٍ وَنَزَلْنَاهُ نَزِيلًا

We have divided the Quran into parts that you may recite it to the people at intervals, and We have sent it down piecemeal. (17:107)

## QURAN IS PERFECT

﴿٣﴾ ذَلِكَ الْكِتَابُ لَا رَيْبَ فِيهِ هُدًى لِّلْمُتَّقِينَ ﴿٣﴾

This is a perfect Book; there is no doubt in it; it is a guidance for the righteous (2:3)

## QURAN IS UNIQUE AND MATCHLESS

قُلْ لِّئِنِ اجْتَمَعَتِ الْإِنْسُ وَالْجِنُّ عَلَىٰ أَنْ يَأْتُوا بِمِثْلِ هَذَا الْقُرْآنِ  
لَا يَأْتُونَ بِمِثْلِهِ وَلَوْ كَانَتْ بَعْضُهُمْ لِبَعْضٍ ظَهِيرًا ﴿٨٩﴾

Say, if Mankind and the Jinn gathered together to produce the like of this Quran, they could not produce the like thereof, even though they should help one another. (17:89)

## RESPECT OF THE COMMANDMENTS OF ALLAH

وَلَا تَسْتَكْبِرُوا آيَاتِ اللَّهِ هُزُوًا

Allah says:

Do not make a jest of the Commandments of Allah. (2:232)



The word 'Quran' means a book which is often recited. It is indeed the most widely read book in the world. The word also means a book or message which is meant to be conveyed and delivered to all people. The Quran is meant for all times and for all people.

Allah revealed the Holy Quran to Prophet Muhammad, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him. It is a perfect Book which contains imperishable teachings, eternal truths and guidance for mankind. The Holy Quran is a Book which has proclaimed its own matchlessness and has claimed its own greatness, its wisdom, its truth, the beauty of its composition and its spiritual lights.

There is no truth outside of it. There is no wisdom that is not comprised in it. There is no light that is not obtainable through following it. We should therefore honour this holy book and lead our lives according to its teachings.



## THERE IS NO CONTRADICTION IN THE HOLY QURAN

أَفَلَا يَتَدَبَّرُونَ الْقُرْآنَ وَلَوْ كَانَ مِنْ عِنْدِ غَيْرِ اللَّهِ لَوَجَدُوا فِيهِ اخْتِلَافًا كَثِيرًا

Will they not, then, meditate upon the Quran? Had it been from anyone other than Allah, they will surely have found therein much disagreement. (4:83)

## QURAN CONTAINS GUIDANCE FOR US

وَنَزَّلْنَا عَلَيْكَ الْكِتَابَ تِبْيَانًا لِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ وَهُدًى وَرَحْمَةً وَبُشْرَىٰ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ

Allah says:

We have sent down to thee the Book to explain everything, and a guidance and a mercy and glad tidings to those who submit to God. (16:90)

شَهْرُ رَمَضَانَ الَّذِي أُنزِلَ فِيهِ الْقُرْآنُ هُدًى لِّلنَّاسِ وَبَيِّنَاتٍ مِّنَ الْهُدَىٰ وَالْفُرْقَانِ

The month of Ramadhan is that in which the Quran was sent down as a guidance for mankind with clear proofs of guidance and discrimination. (2:186)

## RECITATION OF QURAN AT DAWN IS SPECIALLY ACCEPTABLE TO GOD

أَقِمِ الصَّلَاةَ لِذُلُوكِ الشَّمْسِ إِلَىٰ غَسَقِ اللَّيْلِ وَقُرْءَانَ الْفَجْرِ إِنَّ

قُرْءَانَ الْفَجْرِ كَاتٍ مَشْهُودًا ﴿٧٩﴾ وَمِنَ اللَّيْلِ فَتَهَجَّدْ بِهِ نَافِلَةً  
لَّكَ عَسَىٰ أَنْ يَبْعَثَكَ رَبُّكَ مَقَامًا مَّحْمُودًا ﴿٨٠﴾

Allah says:

Observe Prayer at the declining and paling of the sun on to the darkness of the night, and the recitation of the Quran in Prayer at dawn. Verily, the recitation of the Quran at dawn is specially acceptable to God.

And wake up for it in the latter part of the night as a supererogatory service for thee. It may be that thy Lord will raise thee to an exalted station. (17:79,80)

### ALLAH SAFEGUARDS QURAN

إِنَّا نَحْنُ نَزَّلْنَا الذِّكْرَ وَإِنَّا لَهُ لَحَافِظُونَ ﴿١٥﴾

Allah says:

Surely We Ourselves have sent down this exhortation, and most surely We will safeguard it. (15:10)

### QURAN BROUGHT GLAD TIDINGS

إِنَّ هَذَا الْقُرْءَانَ يَهْدِي لِلَّتِي هِيَ أَقْوَمُ وَيُبَشِّرُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ الَّذِينَ  
يَعْمَلُونَ الصَّالِحَاتِ أَنَّ لَهُمْ أَجْرًا كَبِيرًا ﴿١٠٦﴾ وَأَنَّ الَّذِينَ لَا يُؤْمِنُونَ  
بِالْآخِرَةِ أَعْتَدْنَا لَهُمْ عَذَابًا أَلِيمًا ﴿١٠٧﴾

Allah says:

Surely, this Quran guides to the way which is most firm and right, and gives to the believers who do good deeds the glad tidings that they shall have a great reward. And

that for those who do not believe in the Hereafter We have prepared a grievous punishment. (17:10,11)

## QURAN CONTAINS TRUTH AND WISDOM

إِنَّا أَنْزَلْنَا عَلَيْكَ الْكِتَابَ لِلنَّاسِ بِالْحَقِّ فَمَنِ اهْتَدَىٰ  
فَلِنَفْسِهِ ۖ وَمَنْ ضَلَّ فَإِنَّمَا يَضِلُّ عَلَيْهَا وَمَا أَنْتَ عَلَيْهِمْ  
بِوَكِيلٍ

Allah says:

Surely We have revealed to you the Book, comprising truth for the benefit of mankind. Then, whoever follows the guidance, does so to his own good; and whoever goes astray does so to his own loss. You are not a guardian over them. (39:42)

## QURAN'S TEACHING IS EVERLASTING

فِيهَا كُتُبٌ قَيِّمَةٌ

Therein are lasting commandments. (98:4)

## THE WISDOM COMPREHENDED IN THE QURAN IS INEXHAUSTIBLE

وَلَوْ أَنَّ مَا فِي الْأَرْضِ مِنْ شَجَرَةٍ أَقْلَمَ وَالْبَحْرِ يَمُدُّهُ، مِنْ بَعْدِهِ،  
سَبْعَةَ أَبْحُرٍ مَا نَفِدَتْ كَلِمَاتُ اللَّهِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَزِيزٌ حَكِيمٌ



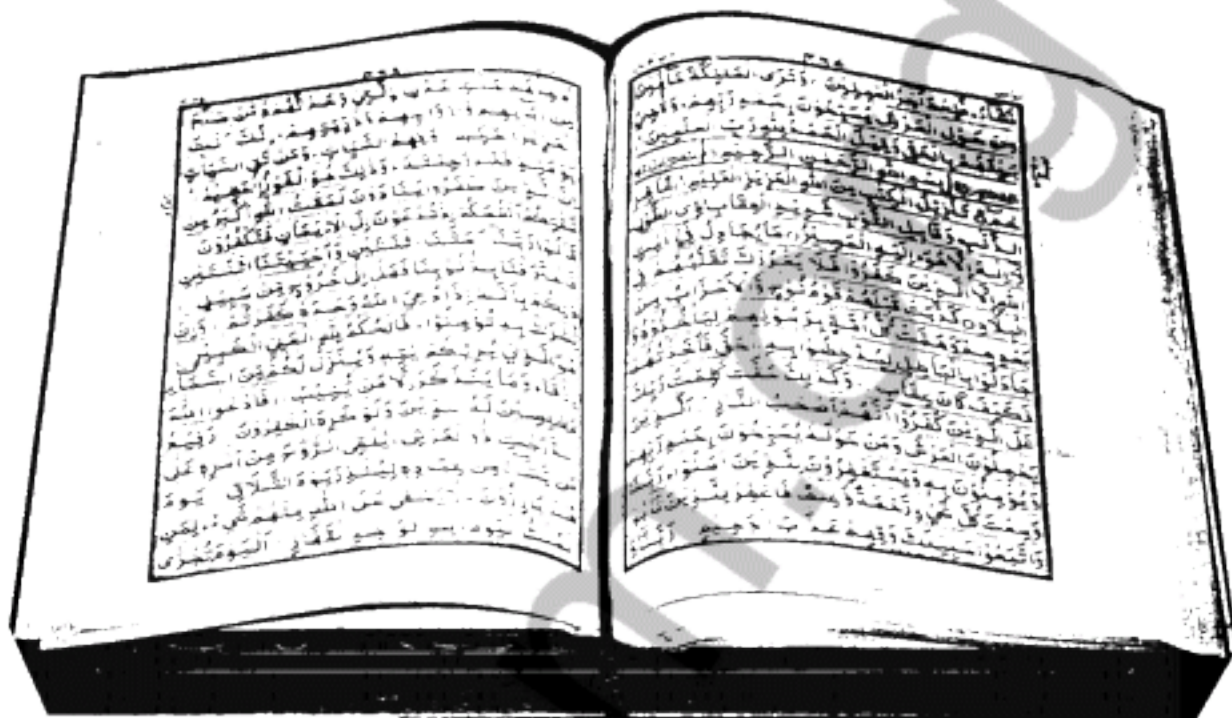
Allah says:

And if all the trees that are in the earth become pens and the ocean, reinforced by seven oceans, become ink for transcribing the words of Allah, the words of Allah would not be exhausted. Surely Allah is Mighty, Wise. (31:28)

قُلْ لَوْ كَانَ الْبَحْرُ مَدَادًا لَكَلِمَتِ رَبِّي لَنَفِدَ الْبَحْرُ قَبْلَ أَنْ نُنْفِدَ كَلِمَتُ  
رَبِّي وَلَوْ جِئْنَا بِمِثْلِهِ مَدَدًا ﴿٣١﴾

Say, if every ocean became ink for the words of my Lord, surely the ocean would be exhausted before the word of my lord were exhausted, even though We brought the like thereof as further help. (18:110)





The Holy Quran is a store house of limitless spiritual knowledge. It guides mankind to the path which lead to the realization of the grand object of human life.

The Holy Quran contains a large quantity of the water of life for us and comprises many rare and priceless jewels which are hidden in it and are being displayed every day.

## VI

The Holy Quran tells us the actions which Allah likes from us and the actions which He does not like.

In other words Quran tells us what are good deeds and what are bad deeds.

## BE KIND TO PARENTS

وَأَعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ وَلَا تُشْرِكُوا بِهِ شَيْئًا وَبِالْوَالِدَيْنِ  
إِحْسَانًا وَبِذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَالْيَتَامَىٰ وَالْمَسْكِينِ وَالْجَارِ  
ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَالْجَارِ الْجُنُبِ وَالصَّاحِبِ بِالْجَنبِ  
وَأَبْنِ السَّبِيلِ وَمَا مَلَكَتْ أَيْمَانُكُمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُحِبُّ مَنْ  
كَانَ مُخْتَالًا فَخُورًا ﴿٤٣٧﴾

Worship Allah and do not associate anything as partner with Him and show kindness to parents and to next of kin, and orphans, and the needy, and to neighbours whether relatives or not and those who keep company with you, and those on journey and those who are under your authority. Surely Allah loves not the arrogant and the boastful. (4:37)

وَقَضَىٰ رَبُّكَ أَلَّا تَعْبُدُوا إِلَّا إِيَّاهُ وَبِالْوَالِدَيْنِ إِحْسَانًا إِمَّا  
يَبُلُغَنَّ عِنْدَكَ الْكِبَرَ أَحَدُهُمَا أَوْ كِلَاهُمَا فَلَا تَقُلْ لَهُمَا  
أُفٍّ وَلَا تَنْهَرَهُمَا وَقُلْ لَهُمَا قَوْلًا كَرِيمًا ﴿٤٣٨﴾ وَأَخْفِضْ  
لَهُمَا جَنَاحَ الذُّلِّ مِنَ الرَّحْمَةِ وَقُلْ رَبِّ ارْحَمْهُمَا كَمَا رَبَّيَانِي صَغِيرًا ﴿٤٣٩﴾

Your Lord has commanded: Worship none but Him, and show kindness to parents. If one of them or both of them attain old age in your lifetime, never reproach them nor speak harshly to them. Always address them respectfully and lower to them the wing of humility out of tenderness and say: My Lord, Be kind to them as they looked after me in my childhood. (17:24,25)



وَوَصَّيْنَا الْإِنْسَانَ بِوَالِدَيْهِ إِحْسَانًا حَمَلَتْهُ أُمُّهُ كُرْهًا وَوَضَعَتْهُ  
 كُرْهًا

Allah says:

And We have enjoined on man to be good to his parents. His mother bears him with pain and brings him forth with pain. (46:16)

### DO NOT DEVOUR INTEREST

الَّذِينَ يَأْكُلُونَ الرِّبَا لَا يَقُومُونَ إِلَّا كَمَا يَقُومُ الَّذِي  
 يَتَخَبَّطُهُ الشَّيْطَانُ مِنَ الْمَسِّ ذَلِكَ بِأَنَّهُمْ قَالُوا إِنَّمَا الْبَيْعُ  
 مِثْلُ الرِّبَا وَأَحَلَّ اللَّهُ الْبَيْعَ وَحَرَّمَ الرِّبَا فَمَنْ جَاءَهُ مَوْعِظَةٌ  
 مِنْ رَبِّهِ فَانْتَهَى فَلَهُ مَا سَلَفَ وَأَمْرُهُ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَمَنْ عَادَ  
 فَأُولَئِكَ أَصْحَابُ النَّارِ هُمْ فِيهَا خَالِدُونَ ﴿٢٧٦﴾ يَمْحَقُ  
 اللَّهُ الرِّبَا وَيُرْبِي الصَّدَقَاتِ

Those who devour interest stand like one whom Satan has smitten with insanity. That is because they say, 'Trade also is like interest'; whereas Allah has made trade lawful and made interest unlawful. So he who desists because of the admonition that has come to him from his Lord, may retain what he has received in the past; and his affair is with Allah. And those who revert to it, they are the inmates of the Fire; therein shall they abide. Allah will abolish interest and will cause charity to increase. (2:276,277)



## DO NOT ENTER HOUSES WITHOUT PERMISSION

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا لَا تَدْخُلُوا بُيُوتًا غَيْرَ بُيُوتِكُمْ حَتَّىٰ تَسْتَأْذِنُوا وَتُسَلِّمُوا عَلَىٰ أَهْلِهَا ذَٰلِكُمْ خَيْرٌ لَّكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿٢٨﴾

فَإِنْ لَمْ تَجِدُوا فِيهَا أَحَدًا فَلَا تَدْخُلُوهَا حَتَّىٰ يُؤْذَنَ لَكُمْ وَإِنْ قِيلَ لَكُمْ آرْجِعُوا فَآرْجِعُوا هُوَ أَزْكَىٰ لَكُمْ وَاللَّهُ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ عَلِيمٌ ﴿٢٩﴾ لَيْسَ عَلَيْكُمْ جُنَاحٌ أَنْ تَدْخُلُوا بُيُوتًا غَيْرَ مَسْكُونَةٍ فِيهَا مَتَعٌ لَّكُمْ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تُبْدُونَ وَمَا تَكْتُمُونَ ﴿٣٠﴾

Allah says:

O believers do not enter any house other than your own without first taking permission from the occupants and greeting them. It is better for you that you remain well advised.

If you find no one therein, do not enter them until you are authorised to do so and in case the permission is not granted, then return without taking offence. That is better for you (meaning that is better for the purity and health of your social behaviour). Allah knows well what you do.

It is no sin on your part to enter houses where no body lives and wherein are your goods. Allah knows what you reveal and what you conceal. (24:28-30)

### THREE TIMES OF PRIVACY

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا  
 لَيْسَ عَلَيْكُمْ جُنَاحٌ عَلَيْهِمْ أَنْ يَتَأْتُواكُمْ  
 مِنْكُمْ لِيَسْتَفْذِنَكُمْ الَّذِينَ مَلَكَتْ أَيْمَانُكُمْ  
 وَالَّذِينَ لَمْ يَبْلُغُوا الْحُلُمَ مِنْكُمْ  
 ثَلَاثَ مَرَّاتٍ مِنْ قَبْلِ صَلَاةِ الْفَجْرِ  
 وَحِينَ تَضَعُونَ ثِيَابَكُمْ مِنَ الظَّهِيرَةِ  
 وَمِنْ بَعْدِ صَلَاةِ الْعِشَاءِ  
 ثَلَاثُ عَوْرَاتٍ لَكُمْ لَيْسَ عَلَيْكُمْ  
 وَلَا عَلَيْهِمْ جُنَاحٌ بَعْدَ هُنَّ  
 طَوَافُونَ عَلَيْكُمْ بَعْضُكُمْ عَلَى  
 بَعْضٍ كَذَلِكَ يُبَيِّنُ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ  
 الْآيَاتِ وَاللَّهُ عَلِيمٌ حَكِيمٌ ﴿٥٩﴾  
 وَإِذَا بَلَغَ الْأَطْفَالُ مِنْكُمْ  
 الْحُلُمَ فَلْيَسْتَفْذِنُوا كَمَا اسْتَفْذَنَ  
 الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ كَذَلِكَ يُبَيِّنُ اللَّهُ  
 لَكُمْ آيَاتِهِ وَاللَّهُ  
 عَلِيمٌ حَكِيمٌ ﴿٦٠﴾

O ye who believe! let those whom your right hands possess, (e.g. servants) and those of you who have not attained to puberty, ask leave of you at three times before coming into your presence: before the morning Prayer, and when you take off your clothes at noon in summer, and after the night Prayer. These are three times of privacy for you. At times other than these there is no blame on you or on them, for they have to move about waiting upon you, some of you attending upon others. Thus does Allah make plain to you the Signs; for Allah is All-Knowing, Wise.

And when the children among you attain to puberty, they too should ask permission, even as those mentioned before them asked permission. Thus does Allah make plain to you His commandments; and Allah is All-Knowing, Wise. (24:59,60)

وَأَتُوا الْبُيُوتَ مِنْ أَبْوَابِهَا

You should enter the houses by the doors there of. (2:190)

### GREET THE PEOPLE WHEN YOU ENTER A HOUSE

فَإِذَا دَخَلْتُمْ بُيُوتًا فَسَلِّمُوا عَلَىٰ أَنفُسِكُمْ تَحِيَّةً مِّنْ عِنْدِ اللَّهِ  
مُبْرَكَةً طَيِّبَةً كَذَلِكَ يُبَيِّنُ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ  
الْآيَاتِ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَعْقِلُونَ

But when you enter houses, salute your people—a greeting from your Lord, full of blessing and purity. Thus does Allah make plain to you the commandments, that you may understand. (24:62)

### TAKE CARE OF ORPHANS

وَلَا تَقْرَبُوا مَالَ الْيَتِيمِ إِلَّا بِالَّتِي هِيَ أَحْسَنُ حَتَّىٰ يَبْلُغَ أَشُدَّهُ

Allah says:

Do not approach the property of the orphan during his minority, except for the most beneficent purpose. (17:35)

فَأَمَّا الْيَتِيمَ فَلَا تَقْهَرْ

Oppress not the orphan. (93:10)



وَأَتُوا الْيَتَامَىٰ أَمْوَالَهُمْ وَلَا تَتَبَدَّلُوا الْخَيْرَ بِالْطَّيِّبِ وَلَا تَأْكُلُوا أَمْوَالَهُمْ  
إِلَىٰ أَمْوَالِكُمْ إِنَّهُ كَانَ حُوبًا كَبِيرًا ﴿٣﴾

Allah says:

Hand over their property to the orphans and do not exchange the bad for the good, and do not devour their property mixing it with your own. Surely that is a great sin. (4:3)

وَيَسْأَلُونَكَ عَنِ الْيَتَامَىٰ قُلْ إِصْلَاحٌ لَهُمْ خَيْرٌ

And they ask thee concerning the orphans say, 'promotion of their welfare is an act of great goodness (2:221)

## DO NOT MOCK OTHER PEOPLE

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا لَا يَسْخَرُ قَوْمٌ مِّن قَوْمٍ عَسَىٰ أَن يَكُونُوا خَيْرًا مِّنْهُمْ  
وَلَا نِسَاءٌ مِّن نِّسَاءٍ عَسَىٰ أَن يَكُنَّ خَيْرًا مِّنْهُنَّ وَلَا تَلْمِزُوا أَنفُسَكُمْ وَلَا  
تَنَابَزُوا بِالْأَلْقَابِ

Allah says:

O ye who believe! let not one people mock another people. It is not unlikely that they may become better than they nor let women mock other women. It is not unlikely that they may become better than they.

Defame not yourselves, nor call one another by teasing nicknames. (49:12)



## REPEL EVIL

وَلَا تَسْتَوِ الْحَسَنَةُ وَلَا السَّيِّئَةُ ادْفَعْ بِالَّتِي هِيَ أَحْسَنُ

Good and evil are not alike. Repel evil with that which is best. (41:35)

## DRINKING AND GAMBLING ARE FORBIDDEN

يَأْتِيهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا إِنَّمَا الْخَمْرُ وَالْمَيْسِرُ وَالْأَنْصَابُ وَالْأَزْلَامُ رِجْسٌ  
مِّنْ عَمَلِ الشَّيْطَانِ فَاجْتَنِبُوهُ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَفْلِحُونَ ﴿٥١﴾ إِنَّمَا يُرِيدُ  
الشَّيْطَانُ أَنْ يُوقِعَ بَيْنَكُمُ الْعَدَاوَةَ وَالْبَغْضَاءَ فِي الْخَمْرِ وَالْمَيْسِرِ  
وَيَصُدَّكُمْ عَن ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ وَعَنِ الصَّلَاةِ فَهَلْ أَنْتُمْ مُنْتَهُونَ ﴿٥٢﴾

Allah says:

O ye who believe, liquor, gambling, idols and divining arrows are but abominations and satanic devices. So turn wholly way from each one of them that you may prosper.

Satan desires only to create enmity and hatred between you by means of liquor and gambling and to keep you back from the remembrance of Allah and from Prayer. Will you, then desist? (5:91,92)

## DO GOOD DEEDS

إِنَّ اللَّهَ مَعَ الَّذِينَ اتَّقَوْا وَالَّذِينَ هُمْ مُحْسِنُونَ ﴿٥٣﴾

Verily Allah is with those who are righteous and those who do good. (16:129)

وَعَدَ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ لَهُمْ مَغْفِرَةٌ  
وَأَجْرٌ عَظِيمٌ ﴿١٢٩﴾

Allah has promised those who believe and do good deeds that they shall have forgiveness and a great reward. (5:10)

وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ أُولَٰئِكَ أَصْحَابُ  
الْجَنَّةِ هُمْ فِيهَا خَالِدُونَ ﴿٨٣﴾

Allah says:

Those who believe and do good deeds, those are the people who will reside in heaven and therein they shall remain. (2:83)

### FEED THE POOR

وَيُطْعَمُونَ الطَّعَامَ عَلَىٰ حُبِّهِ مِسْكِينًا وَيَتِيمًا وَأَسِيرًا ﴿٩﴾ إِنَّمَا نَطْعِمُكُمْ  
لِوَجْهِ اللَّهِ لَا نُرِيدُ مِنْكُمْ جَزَاءً وَلَا شُكْرًا ﴿١٠﴾

And they feed the poor, the orphan and the prisoner, for love of Him, saying 'we feed you for Allah's pleasure only. We desire no reward nor thanks from you. (76:9,10)

### COMPETE IN GOODNESS

فَاسْتَبِقُوا الْخَيْرَاتِ

Compete with each other in acts of goodness. (2:149)

### BE STEADFAST

إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لِفِي خُسْرٍ ﴿١٤٩﴾ إِلَّا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا  
وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالْحَقِّ وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالصَّبْرِ ﴿١٥٠﴾

Allah says:

Surely man suffers continuous loss except those who believe and do good deeds and exhort one another to accept truth and exhort one another to be steadfast. (103:3,4)

### CONTROL YOUR TEMPER

الَّذِينَ يُنْفِقُونَ فِي السَّرَّاءِ وَالضَّرَّاءِ وَالْكَاظِمِينَ الْغَيْظَ  
وَالْعَافِينَ عَنِ النَّاسِ وَاللَّهُ يُحِبُّ الْمُحْسِنِينَ ﴿١٥١﴾  
وَالَّذِينَ إِذَا فَعَلُوا فَحِشَةً أَوْ ظَلَمُوا أَنْفُسَهُمْ ذَكَرُوا اللَّهَ  
فَاسْتَغْفَرُوا لِذُنُوبِهِمْ وَمَنْ يَغْفِرِ اللَّهُ لَنْ يَكُنَ مِنَ الْفَاسِقِينَ  
يُصِرُّوْا عَلَى مَا فَعَلُوا وَهُمْ يَعْلَمُونَ ﴿١٥٢﴾ أُولَٰئِكَ جَزَاءُ  
مَنْ كَفَرَ بِاللَّهِ مِنْ بَعْدِ مَا جَاءَتْهُ الْبَيِّنَاتُ لَعْنَةُ اللَّهِ  
فِيهَا وَنِعْمَ أَجْرُ الْعَمِلِينَ ﴿١٥٣﴾

Those who spend in prosperity and adversity, and those who control their tempers when they are roused and those who pardon people and Allah loves those who do good.

And those who when they commit indecency or wrong themselves, remember Allah and implore forgiveness for



their sins-and who can forgive sins except Allah? - and do not persist knowingly in what they have done. It is these whose reward is forgiveness from their Lord and Gardens beneath which rivers flow, wherein they shall abide. Excellent is the reward of those who work righteousness. (3:135-137)

### DO NOT BRIBE

وَلَا تَأْكُلُوا أَمْوَالَكُمْ بَيْنَكُمْ بِالْبَاطِلِ وَتُدْلُوا بِهَا إِلَى  
الْحُكَّامِ لِتَأْكُلُوا فَرِيقًا مِّنْ أَمْوَالِ النَّاسِ بِالْإِثْمِ

Do not devour each other's wealth among yourselves through falsehood, nor offer your wealth as a bribe to the authorities that you may deliberately devour a part of other people's wealth through injustice. (2:189)

### BE A TRUE WITNESS

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا كُونُوا قَوَّامِينَ لِلَّهِ شُهَدَاءَ بِالْقِسْطِ  
وَلَا يَجْرِمَنَّكُمْ شَنَاٰنُ قَوْمٍ عَلَىٰ ءَلَّا تَعْدِلُوا أَعْدِلُوا  
هُوَ أَقْرَبُ لِلتَّقْوَىٰ وَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ إِنَّ اللَّهَ خَبِيرٌ بِمَا  
تَعْمَلُونَ

O believers! be steadfast in the cause of Allah, bearing witness in equity. Let not a people's enmity towards you incite you to act contrary to justice. Be always just, that is nearer to righteousness. And fear Allah. Surely Allah is aware of what you do. (5:9)



## ALWAYS DO JUSTICE

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ

Verily Allah commands you to do justice (16:91)

يَأْتِيهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا كُونُوا قَوَّامِينَ بِالْقِسْطِ شُهَدَاءَ لِلَّهِ  
وَلَوْ عَلَىٰ أَنفُسِكُمْ أَوِ الْوَالِدِينَ وَالْأَقْرَبِينَ إِن يَكُنْ غَنِيًّا  
أَوْ فَقِيرًا فَاللَّهُ أَوْلَىٰ بِهِمَا فَلَا تَتَّبِعُوا الْهَوَىَٰ أَن تَعْدِلُوا وَإِن  
تَلَوْا أَوْ نَسُوا فإِنَّ اللَّهَ كَانَ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ خَبِيرًا ﴿٩١﴾

O believers, be strict in observing justice. And bear witness only for the sake of Allah, even if it be against your own selves or against parents or kindred. Whether the person be rich or poor, in either case. Allah is more regardful of him than you could be. Therefore, follow not low desires so that you may act equitably. If you conceal the truth or evade it, then remember that Allah is well aware of what you do. (4:136)

وَإِذَا قُلْتُمْ فَاعْدِلُوا وَلَوْ كَانَ ذَا قُرْبَىٰ وَبِعَهْدِ اللَّهِ أَوْفُوا  
ذَٰلِكُمْ وَصَّانِكُمْ بِهِ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿١٥٣﴾

And when you speak, observe justice, even if the concerned person be a relative, and fulfil the covenant of Allah. That is what He enjoins upon you, that you may remember. (6:153)

## MAKE OVER TRUST TO RIGHT PEOPLE

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُكُمْ أَنْ تُؤَدُّوا الْأَمَانَاتِ إِلَىٰ أَهْلِهَا

Verily Allah commands you to make over the trust to those entitled to them. (4:59)

## CONSULT PEOPLE

شَاوِرْهُمْ فِي الْأَمْرِ

Consult them (people) in matters of administration (3:160)

## KEEP YOURSELF CLEAN AND TIDY

يَبْنَیْءَ آدَمَ خُذُوا زِينَتَكُمْ عِنْدَ كُلِّ مَسْجِدٍ

Children of Adam, put your minds and bodies in a state of tidiness at every time and place of worship. (7:32)

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ التَّوَّابِينَ وَيُحِبُّ الْمُتَطَهِّرِينَ

Allah loves those who turn to Him and loves those who keep themselves clean and pure. (2:223)

## GIVE FULL MEASURE

أَوْفُوا الْكَيْلَ وَلَا تَكُونُوا مِنَ الْمُخْسِرِينَ ﴿١٨٢﴾ وَزِنُوا بِالْقِسْطَاسِ  
الْمُسْتَقِيمِ ﴿١٨٣﴾

Give full measure and be not of those who give less, and weigh with a true balance. (26:182,183)

## GREET OTHERS WITH A PRAYER

وَإِذَا حُيِّتُمْ بِحَيْتَةٍ فَجَبِّتُمْ بِأَحْسَنِ مِنْهَا أَوْ رُدُّوهَا إِنَّ اللَّهَ  
كَانَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ حَسِيبًا ﴿٨٧﴾

When you are greeted with a prayer, greet ye with a better prayer or at least return it. Surely Allah takes account of all things. (4:87)

## SPEAK KINDLY

وَقُولُوا لِلنَّاسِ حُسْنًا

Always speak kindly to people. (2:84)

## OBEY ALLAH, HIS PROPHET AND PEOPLE IN AUTHORITY

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَأَطِيعُوا الرَّسُولَ وَأُولِي الْأَمْرِ مِنْكُمْ

فَإِنْ لَنْزَعْتُمْ فِي شَيْءٍ فَرُدُّوهُ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَالرَّسُولِ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ تُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ  
وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ

Allah says:

O believers! obey Allah, and obey His Messenger and those who are in authority among you. And if you differ in anything among yourselves, refer it to Allah and His Messenger if you are believers in Allah and the Last Day. (4:60)

## HELP ONE ANOTHER IN RIGHTEOUSNESS

وَتَعَاوَنُوا عَلَى الْبِرِّ وَالتَّقْوَىٰ وَلَا تَعَاوَنُوا عَلَى الْإِثْمِ وَالْعُدْوَانِ

Allah says:

Help one another in righteousness and piety, but do not help one another in sin and transgression. (5:3)

## MAKE PEACE BETWEEN BROTHERS

إِنَّمَا الْمُؤْمِنُونَ إِخْوَةٌ فَأَصْلِحُوا بَيْنَ أَخَوَيْكُمْ وَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ لَعَلَّكُمْ تُرْحَمُونَ

Allah says:

Surely all believers are brothers. So make peace between brothers and fear Allah that mercy may be shown to you. (49:11)

وَأَعْتَصِمُوا بِحَبْلِ اللَّهِ جَمِيعًا وَلَا تَفَرَّقُوا



And Hold fast all together, by the rope of Allah and be not divided. (3:104)

## DO NOT CONSPIRE FOR EVIL PURPOSE

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا إِذَا  
تَنَجَّيْتُمْ فَلَا تَنَجَّجُوا بِالْإِثْمِ وَالْعُدْوَانِ وَمَعْصِيَةِ الرَّسُولِ وَتَنَجَّجُوا  
بِالْبِرِّ وَالنَّقْوَىٰ وَأَتَّقُوا اللَّهَ الَّذِي إِلَيْهِ تُحْشَرُونَ ﴿٥٨﴾ إِنَّمَا النَّجْوَىٰ  
مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ لِيَحْزُنَ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَلَيْسَ بِضَارِّهِمْ شَيْئًا  
إِلَّا بِإِذْنِ اللَّهِ وَعَلَى اللَّهِ فَلْيَتَوَكَّلِ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿٥٩﴾

Allah says:

O ye who believe, when you confer together in secret, confer not to commit a sin or to transgress and be disobedient to the Messenger, but confer for the attainment of virtue and righteousness, and fear Allah unto when you shall be gathered. Holding of secret counsels for evil purposes is a device of satan that he may cause grief to those who believe but it cannot harm them in the least, except by Allah's leave. In Allah should the believers put their trust. (58:10,11)

## AVOID SUSPICION: DO NOT BACKBITE

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اجْتَنِبُوا كَثِيرًا مِّنَ الظَّنِّ إِنَّ بَعْضَ الظَّنِّ إِثْمٌ  
وَلَا تَحْسَبُوا وَلَا يَحْسَبُوا بِبَعْضِكُمْ بَعْضًا يَحِبُّ أَحَدُكُمْ أَن

يَأْكُلُ لَحْمَ أَخِيهِ مَيْتًا فَكَرِهْتُمُوهُ

Allah says:

O ye who believe! avoid most of suspicions; for suspicion in some cases is a sin. And spy not, nor backbite one another. Would any of you like to eat the flesh of his dead brother? Certainly you would loathe it. (49:13)

## DO NOT COMMIT ADULTERY

وَلَا تَقْرَبُوا الزِّنَىٰ إِنَّهُ كَانَ فَحِشَةً وَسَاءَ سَبِيلًا

Come not near unto adultery, surely it is a foul thing and an evil way. (17:33)

## DO NOT STEAL

وَالسَّارِقُ وَالسَّارِقَةُ فَاقْطَعُوا أَيْدِيَهُمَا جِزَاءً بِمَا كَسَبَا  
 نَكَالًا مِّنَ اللَّهِ وَاللَّهُ عَزِيزٌ حَكِيمٌ  
 وَأَصْلَحَ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ يَتُوبُ عَلَيْهِ إِنْ أَلَّ اللَّهُ غَفُورٌ رَّحِيمٌ

And the man who steals and the woman who steals, cut off their hands in retribution of their offence as an exemplary punishment from Allah and Allah is Mighty, Wise.

But whoso repents after his transgression and amends, then Allah will surely turn to him in mercy; verily Allah is Most Forgiving, Merciful. (5:39,40)

## RESTRAIN YOUR LOOKS AND GUARD YOUR SENSES

قُلْ لِلْمُؤْمِنِينَ يَغُضُّوا مِنْ أَبْصَارِهِمْ وَيَحْفَظُوا فُرُوجَهُمْ  
 ذَلِكَ أَزْكَى لَهُمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ خَبِيرٌ بِمَا يَصْنَعُونَ ﴿٥١﴾ وَقُلْ لِلْمُؤْمِنَاتِ  
 يَغْضُضْنَ مِنْ أَبْصَارِهِنَّ وَيَحْفَظْنَ فُرُوجَهُنَّ وَلَا يُبْدِينَ  
 زِينَتَهُنَّ إِلَّا مَا ظَهَرَ مِنْهَا وَلْيَضْرِبْنَ بِخُمُرِهِنَّ عَلَى جُيُوبِهِنَّ  
 وَلَا يُبْدِينَ زِينَتَهُنَّ إِلَّا لِبُعُولَتِهِنَّ أَوْ آبَائِهِنَّ أَوْ  
 آبَاءِ بُعُولَتِهِنَّ أَوْ أَبْنَاءِهِنَّ أَوْ أَبْنَاءِ بُعُولَتِهِنَّ  
 أَوْ إِخْوَانِهِنَّ أَوْ بَنِي إِخْوَانِهِنَّ أَوْ بَنَاتِهِنَّ أَوْ نِسَائِهِنَّ  
 أَوْ مَا مَلَكَتْ أَيْمَانُهُنَّ أَوِ التَّابِعِينَ غَيْرِ أُولِي الْإِرْبَةِ مِنَ  
 الرِّجَالِ أَوِ الطِّفْلِ الَّذِينَ لَمْ يَظْهَرُوا عَلَى عَوْرَاتِ النِّسَاءِ

Allah says:

Direct the believing men to restrain their looks and to guard their senses. That is purer for them. Surely, Allah is well aware of that which they do. Direct the believing woman to restrain their looks and to guard their senses and not to disclose any part of their beauty or their adornments, except that which is apparent thereof. They should draw their head covering across their bosoms; and should not disclose any part of their beauty or their adornments except to their husbands or to their fathers, or the fathers of their husbands or their sons, or the sons of their husbands or their brothers, or the sons of their



brothers or the sons of their sisters, or gentlewomen, or their maidservants, or such attendants who have no desire for women, or such children who have no knowledge of the relationship between the sexes. (24:31,32)

وَالْقَوَاعِدُ مِنَ النِّسَاءِ الَّتِي لَا يَرْجُونَ نِكَاحًا فَلَيْسَ عَلَيْهِنَّ جُنَاحٌ أَنْ يَضَعْنَ ثِيَابَهُنَّ غَيْرَ مُتَبَرِّجَاتٍ بِزِينَةٍ وَأَنْ يَسْتَغْفِرْنَ خَيْرٌ لَّهُنَّ وَاللَّهُ سَمِيعٌ عَلِيمٌ ﴿٦١﴾

There is no blame on elderly women who are past the age of marriage, if they lay aside their outer coverings without displaying their adornment. But it would be better for them to guard themselves. Allah is All Hearing, All Knowing. (24:61)

### DO NOT BE ARROGANT

وَلَا تُصَعِّرْ خَدَّكَ لِلنَّاسِ وَلَا تَمْشِ فِي الْأَرْضِ مَرَحًا إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُحِبُّ كُلَّ مُخْتَالٍ فَخُورٍ ﴿١٩﴾ وَأَقْصِدْ فِي مَشْيِكَ وَأَغْضُضْ مِنْ صَوْتِكَ إِنَّ أَنْكَرَ الْأَصْوَاتِ لَصَوْتُ الْحَمِيرِ ﴿٢٠﴾

Allah says:

Do not turn your face away from people in pride, nor walk arrogantly upon the earth. Surely Allah loves not any arrogant boaster.

Walk in a moderate manner and lower thy voice; as the most unpleasant sound is the bray of a donkey. (31:19,20)



## DO NOT REBUKE A BEGGAR

وَأَمَّا السَّائِلَ فَلَا تَنْهَرْ ﴿٩٣﴾

Allah says:

And rebuke him not who ask you help. (93:11)

## WALK HUMBLY

وَعِبَادُ الرَّحْمَنِ الَّذِينَ يَمْشُونَ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ هَوْنًا وَإِذَا خَاطَبَهُمُ  
الْجَاهِلُونَ قَالُوا سَلَامًا ﴿٢٥﴾

The servants of the Gracious God are those who walk on the earth in a dignified manner, and when the ignorant address them, they say, 'Peace'. (25:64)

وَلَا تَمْشِ فِي الْأَرْضِ مَرَحًا ﴿١٧﴾

Allah says:

Do not walk haughtily upon the earth. (17:38)

## DO NOT TELL A LIE

وَأَجْتَنِبُوا قَوْلَ الزُّورِ ﴿٢٢﴾

Shun telling lies. (22:31)

وَلَا تَلْبِسُوا الْحَقَّ بِالْبَاطِلِ وَتَكُنْهُمُوهَا الْحَقَّ وَأَنْتُمْ تَعْلَمُونَ

Do not mix truth with falsehood nor hide the truth, knowingly. (2:43)

### WRITE ALL TRANSACTIONS

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا إِذَا تَدَايَنْتُمْ بِدَيْنٍ إِلَىٰ أَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى فَاكْتُبُوهُ وَلْيَكْتُب بَيْنَكُمْ كَاتِبٌ بِالْعَدْلِ

O ye who believe when you borrow one from another for a fixed period, then write it down. And let a scribe write it in your presence faithfully. (2:283)

### DO NOT COVER UP EVIDENCE

وَلَا تَكْتُمُوا الشَّهَادَةَ وَمَنْ يَكْتُمْهَا فَإِنَّهُ ءَءِثَمٌ قَلْبُهُ

Do not cover up evidence and whoever covers it up, his heart is certainly sinful. (2:284)

### FULFIL YOUR COVENANT

وَأَوْفُوا بِالْعَهْدِ إِنَّ الْعَهْدَ كَانَ مَسْئُولًا

Allah says:

Fulfil every covenant for you will be called to account for it. (17:35)

## DO NOT DESPAIR OF ALLAH'S MERCY

لَا تَقْنَطُوا مِنْ رَحْمَةِ اللَّهِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَغْفِرُ الذُّنُوبَ جَمِيعًا

Allah says:

Despair not of the mercy of Allah, surely Allah forgives all sins. (39:54)

## KEEP COMPANY WITH GOOD PEOPLE

كُونُوا مَعَ الصَّادِقِينَ

Keep company with the righteous. (9:119)

## CALL PEOPLE TO GOD

ادْعُ إِلَى سَبِيلِ رَبِّكَ بِالْحِكْمَةِ وَالْمَوْعِظَةِ الْحَسَنَةِ وَجَدِّ لَهُمْ  
بِالَّتِي هِيَ أَحْسَنُ

Allah says:

Call unto the way of thy Lord with wisdom and goodly exhortation and argue with them in a way that is the best. (16:126)

## ENJOIN GOOD AND FORBID EVIL

كُنْتُمْ خَيْرَ أُمَّةٍ أُخْرِجَتْ لِلنَّاسِ تَأْمُرُونَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ  
وَتَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَتُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ

Allah says:

You are the best people raised for the good of mankind, you enjoin what is good and forbid evil and believe in Allah. (3:111)

## DO NOT INSULT EVEN THE IDOLS

وَلَا تَسُبُّوا الَّذِينَ يَدْعُونَ مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ فَيَسُبُّوا اللَّهَ  
عَدْوًا بِغَيْرِ عِلْمٍ

Revile not those when they call upon beside Allah, lest they, out of spite, revile Allah in their ignorance. (6:109)

## SPEND IN THE WAY OF ALLAH

وَالَّذِينَ صَبَرُوا ابْتِغَاءَ وَجْهِ رَبِّهِمْ وَأَقَامُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَأَنْفَقُوا مِمَّا  
رَزَقْنَاهُمْ سِرًّا وَعَلَانِيَةً وَيَدْرُءُونَ بِالْحَسَنَةِ السَّيِّئَةِ أُولَئِكَ لَهُمْ  
عُقُوبَةُ الدَّارِ

Allah says:

Those who are steadfast in seeking the favour of their Lord, and observe Prayer, and spend secretly and openly out of that with which We have provided them, and overcome evil with good. For them is the best reward of the Hereafter. (13:23)

يَسْأَلُونَكَ مَاذَا يُنْفِقُونَ قُلْ مَا أَنْفَقْتُمْ مِنْ خَيْرٍ فَلِلَّهِ  
وَالْأَقْرَبِينَ وَالتَّامِي وَالْمَسْكِينِ وَابْنِ السَّبِيلِ وَمَا تَفَعَّلُوا مِنْ



خَيْرٌ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ بِهِ عَلِيمٌ ﴿٢١٦﴾

Allah says:

They ask thee what shall they spend? Say: 'Of pure and abundant wealth that which you spend is, in the first instance, for parents, near relations, orphans, the needy and the way farer. Whatever good you do, surely Allah knows it well. (2:216)

يَأْتِيهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا أَنفِقُوا مِن طَيِّبَاتِ مَا كَسَبْتُمْ  
وَمِمَّا أَخْرَجْنَا لَكُمْ مِنَ الْأَرْضِ وَلَا تَيَمَّمُوا الْخَبِيثَ مِنْهُ  
تُنْفِقُونَ وَلَسْتُمْ بِآخِذِيهِ إِلَّا أَنْ تُغْمِضُوا فِيهِ

O ye who believe! spend in the way of Allah of the good things that you have earned, and of what We produce for you from the earth and do not select out or it for charity which is useless, when you would not take it yourselves except with reluctance. (2:268)

الَّذِينَ يُنْفِقُونَ أَمْوَالَهُم بِاللَّيْلِ وَالنَّهَارِ سِرًّا  
وَعَلَانِيَةً فَلَهُمْ أَجْرُهُمْ عِنْدَ رَبِّهِمْ وَلَا خَوْفٌ  
عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُونَ ﴿٢٧٥﴾

Allah says:

Those who spend their wealth in the name of Allah by night and day (meaning that they spend in the cause of Allah continuously whether they are poor and having difficult time or rich and leading a life of ease and comfort), secretly and openly, have their reward with their Lord, on them shall come no fear, nor shall they grieve. (2:275)

## DO NOT CREATE DISORDER

وَلَا تَعْثَوْا فِي الْأَرْضِ مُفْسِدِينَ

Do not go about creating disorder in the land (26:184)

## DO NOT KILL UNLAWFULLY

وَلَا تَقْتُلُوا النَّفْسَ الَّتِي حَرَّمَ اللَّهُ إِلَّا بِالْحَقِّ

Do not destroy the life that Allah has declared sacred except for just cause. (17:34)



Islam is a religion of peace. It does not allow anyone to create disorder on the earth and bring misery to people. To murder someone without just cause is a crime against humanity.

## VII

The Holy Quran tells us some prayers which we should learn by heart and recite according to occasions.



## PRAYER FOR SEEKING GOOD

رَبَّنَا آتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً  
وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ ﴿٢٠٢﴾

Lord, grant us the best in this world as well as the best in the world to come and shield us from the torment of the fire. (2:202)

## PRAYER FOR ALLAH'S HELP

رَبَّنَا لَا تُؤَاخِذْنَا إِنْ نَسِينَا أَوْ أَخْطَأْنَا رَبَّنَا وَلَا تَحْمِلْ  
عَلَيْنَا إِصْرًا كَمَا حَمَلْتَهُ عَلَى الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِنَا رَبَّنَا وَلَا  
تَحْمِلْنَا مَا لَا طَاقَةَ لَنَا بِهِ ۗ وَاعْفُ عَنَّا وَارْحَمْنَا  
أَنْتَ مَوْلَانَا فَانصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ ﴿٢٨٧﴾

Our Lord, take us not to task if we forget or fall into error. Our Lord, lay not on us a responsibility as you laid upon those before us. Our Lord, burden us not with what we have not strength to bear and overlook our faults and grant us forgiveness and have mercy on us; Thou art our Master, so help us against the disbelieving people. (2:287)

## PRAYER FOR SEEKING THE RIGHT PATH

رَبَّنَا لَا تُزِغْ قُلُوبَنَا بَعْدَ إِذْ هَدَيْتَنَا وَهَبْ لَنَا مِنْ لَدُنْكَ رَحْمَةً إِنَّكَ

أَنْتَ الْوَهَّابُ ﴿١٠﴾

Our Lord, let not our hearts become perverse after Thou hast guided us; and bestow upon us mercy from Thyself, surely Thou art the Greater Bestower. (3:9)

### PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS OF SINS

رَبَّنَا إِنَّا أَمْنَا فَاغْفِرْ لَنَا ذُنُوبَنَا وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ ﴿١١﴾

Our Lord, we do believe; forgive us, therefore, our sins and save us from the punishment of the fire. (3:17)

### PRAYER FOR SEEKING ALLAH'S GRACE

قُلِ اللَّهُمَّ مَلِكُ الْمَلِكِ تُؤْتِي الْمَلِكُ  
 مِنْ تَشَاءُ وَتَنْزِعُ الْمَلِكُ مِمَّنْ تَشَاءُ وَتُعِزُّ مَنْ تَشَاءُ وَتُذِلُّ  
 مَنْ تَشَاءُ بِيَدِكَ الْخَيْرُ إِنَّكَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ ﴿١٢﴾ تُولِجُ اللَّيْلَ  
 فِي النَّهَارِ وَتُولِجُ النَّهَارَ فِي اللَّيْلِ وَتُخْرِجُ الْحَيَّ مِنَ الْمَيِّتِ  
 وَتُخْرِجُ الْمَيِّتَ مِنَ الْحَيِّ وَتَرْزُقُ مَنْ تَشَاءُ بِغَيْرِ حِسَابٍ ﴿١٣﴾

Say, 'O Allah, Lord of sovereignty, Thou givest sovereignty to whomsoever Thou Pleasest, and Thou takes away sovereignty from whomsoever Thou pleasest. Thou exaltest whomsoever Thou pleasest and Thou abasest whomsoever Thou pleasest; In Thy hand is all good. Thou surely hast power to do all things.

Thou makes the night pass into the day and makes the day pass into the night. And Thou bringest forth the living from the dead and bringest forth the dead from the living. And Thou givest to whomsoever Thou pleasest without measure. (3:27,28)

### PRAYER FOR HELP AGAINST THE DISBELIEVING PEOPLE

رَبَّنَا اغْفِرْ لَنَا ذُنُوبَنَا وَإِسْرَافَنَا فِي أَمْرِنَا وَثَبِّتْ أَقْدَامَنَا وَانصُرْنَا  
عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ

Our Lord, forgive us our errors and our excesses in our conduct, and make firm our steps and help us against the disbelieving people. (3:148)

### PRAYER FOR REMOVING OF ILLS

رَبَّنَا مَا خَلَقْتَ هَذَا بَطْلًا سُبْحَانَكَ فَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ  
رَبَّنَا إِنَّكَ مَنْ تَدْخِلِ النَّارَ فَقَدْ أَخْرَيْتَهُ وَمَا لِلظَّالِمِينَ مِنْ  
أَنْصَارٍ رَبَّنَا إِنَّنَا سَمِعْنَا مُنَادِيًا يُنَادِي لِلْإِيمَانِ أَنْ  
ءَامِنُوا بِرَبِّكُمْ فَءَامِنَّا رَبَّنَا فَاغْفِرْ لَنَا ذُنُوبَنَا وَكَفِّرْ عَنَّا  
سَيِّئَاتِنَا وَتَوَقَّنَا مَعَ الْأَبْرَارِ رَبَّنَا وَءَايِنَا مَا وَعَدْتَنَا  
عَلَى رَسُولِكَ وَلَا تُخْزِنَا يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ إِنَّكَ لَا تُخْلِفُ الْمِيعَادَ

Our Lord, Thou hast not created all this without purpose. Holy art Thou; save us, then, from the punishment of the



Fire. Our Lord, whomsoever Thou causest enter the Fire, Thou hast surely disgraced him, and the wrongdoers shall have no helpers.

Our Lord, we have heard a caller calling us unto faith, 'Believe ye in your Lord', and we have believed. Our Lord, forgive us, therefore, our errors and remove from us our evils, and in death count us among the righteous. Our Lord, give us what Thou hast promised to us through Thy Messengers; and disgrace us not on the Day of Judgement. Surely Thou breakest not your promise. (3:192-195)

### PRAYER FOR BEING COUNTED AMONG THE RIGHTEOUS

رَبَّنَا آمَنَّا فَاكْتُبْنَا مَعَ الشَّاهِدِينَ ﴿٥٨﴾ وَمَا نَلَا نُؤْمِنُ بِاللَّهِ  
وَمَا جَاءَنَا مِنَ الْحَقِّ وَنَطْمَعُ أَنْ يُدْخِلَنَا رَبُّنَا مَعَ الْقَوْمِ  
الصَّالِحِينَ ﴿٥٩﴾

Lord, we have believed, so write us down among the witnesses. And why should we not believe in Allah and in the truth which has come to us, when we earnestly desire that our Lord should include us among the righteous people? (5:84-85)

### PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS OF OUR WRONGS

رَبَّنَا ظَلَمْنَا أَنفُسَنَا وَإِن لَّمْ تَغْفِرْ لَنَا وَتَرْحَمْنَا لَنَكُونَنَّ مِنَ الْخَاسِرِينَ ﴿٦٠﴾



Lord, we have wronged ourselves, and if Thou forgive us not and have not mercy on us, we shall surely be of the lost. (7:24)

### PRAYER FOR STEADFASTNESS

رَبَّنَا أَفْرِغْ عَلَيْنَا صَبْرًا وَتَوَفَّنَا مُسْلِمِينَ

Lord, send on us steadfastness and let death come to us in a state of submission to Thee (7:127).

### PRAYER FOR SECURITY IN A BOAT OR VESSEL

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ مَجْرِدُهَا وَمُرْسِنُهَا إِنَّ رَبِّي لَغَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ

In the name of Allah be its course and its mooring. My Lord is assuredly Most Forgiving, Ever Merciful (11:42)

### PRAYER OF JOSEPH

رَبِّ قَدْ آتَيْتَنِي مِنَ الْمُلْكِ وَعَلَّمْتَنِي مِنْ تَأْوِيلِ الْأَحَادِيثِ فَاطِرَ  
السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ أَنْتَ وَلِيِّ فِي الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ تَوَفَّنِي  
مُسْلِمًا وَالْحَقِّقْنِي بِالصَّالِحِينَ

Lord, Thou hast bestowed upon me a portion of sovereignty and taught me the interpretation of dream. Maker

of the heavens and the earth, Thou art my Protector in this world and the Hereafter, let death, when it comes, find me in a state of complete submission to Thy will and join me to the righteous (12:102)

### PRAYER FOR SEEKING PROTECTION FROM SATAN

وَقُلْ رَبِّ أَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ هَمَزَاتِ الشَّيْطَانِ ﴿١٠٢﴾ وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ  
رَبِّ أَنْ يَحْضُرُونِ ﴿١٠٣﴾

And say, Lord, I seek Thy protection against the incitements of the rebellious ones and I seek Thy Protection, Lord, lest they should approach me' (23:98-99)

### PRAYER FOR SEEKING KNOWLEDGE

رَبِّ زِدْنِي عِلْمًا

O Lord, increase me in knowledge (20:115)

### PRAYER FOR ALLAH'S HELP AND HIS JUDGEMENT

رَبِّ أَحْكُم بِالْحَقِّ وَرَبُّنَا الرَّحْمَنُ الْمُسْتَعَانُ عَلَى مَا تَصِفُونَ

Lord, judge Thou with truth. Our Lord is the Gracious One Whose help is to be sought against that which you assert. (21:113)

## PRAYER OF MOSES: FOR SUCCESS IN THE PROPAGATION OF TRUTH

رَبِّ اشْرَحْ لِي صَدْرِي ۝ وَبَسِّرْ لِي أَمْرِي ۝ وَأَحْلِلْ عُقْدَةً مِن  
لِسَانِي ۝ يَفْقَهُوا قَوْلِي ۝

Lord, expand my mind, and make my task easy, and remove every impediment from my speech that people may understand easily what I say. (20:26-29)

## PRAYER OF ABRAHAM AND ISHMAEL WHILE ENGAGED IN RESTORING THE HOUSE OF ALLAH

### FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF PRAYER AND FOR BEING TAUGHT THE METHOD OF WORSHIP

رَبَّنَا نَقْبَلْ مِنَّا إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ ۝ رَبَّنَا وَاجْعَلْنَا  
مُسْلِمِينَ لَكَ وَمِن ذُرِّيَّتِنَا أُمَّةٌ مُّسْلِمَةٌ لَّكَ وَأَرِنَا مَنَاسِكَنَا  
وَتُبَّ عَلَيْنَا إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ التَّوَّابُ الرَّحِيمُ ۝

Our Lord, accept this from us; for Thou art All-Hearing, All-Knowing.

Our Lord, make us submissive to Thee and make of our offspring a people submissive to Thee. And show us our



ways of worship, and turn to us with mercy; for Thou art Oft-Returning with compassion and Merciful. (2:128-129)

### PRAYER FOR SEEKING HELP AGAINST DISBELIEVERS

رَبَّنَا أَفْرِغْ عَلَيْنَا صَبْرًا وَثَبِّتْ أَقْدَامَنَا وَانصُرْنَا  
عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ ﴿٥١﴾

Lord, grant us steadfastness and make our steps firm and help us against the disbelieving people (2:251)

### PRAYER FOR THE GRANT OF A RIGHTEOUS CHILD

رَبِّ هَبْ لِي مِنْ لَدُنْكَ ذُرِّيَّةً طَيِّبَةً إِنَّكَ سَمِيعُ الدُّعَاءِ

Lord grant me from Thyself pure offspring; surely, Thou art the Hearer of Prayer. (3:39)

### PRAYER OF THE DISCIPLES OF JESUS: FOR DIVINE FAVOUR

رَبَّنَا آمَنَّا بِمَا أَنْزَلْتَ وَاتَّبَعْنَا الرَّسُولَ فَاكْتُبْنَا مَعَ  
الشَّاهِدِينَ ﴿٥٤﴾

Our Lord, we have believed in that which Thou hast sent down and we have become the followers of this Messenger, so write us down among the witnesses (3:54)



## PRAYER FOR ENTERING OR COMING OUT OF A PLACE OR BUILDING

رَبِّ أَدْخِلْنِي مُدْخَلَ صِدْقٍ وَأَخْرِجْنِي مُخْرَجَ صِدْقٍ وَأَجْعَلْ لِي مِنْ  
لَدُنْكَ سُلْطٰنًا نَّصِيرًا ﴿٨١﴾

Lord, make my entry a beneficent event and make my going forth also a beneficent event and grant me from Thyself a helper and a witness. (17:81)

## PRAYER OF THE HOLY PROPHET FOR NOT BEING COUNTED WITH THE WRONGDOERS

رَبِّ إِمَّا تُرِيتَنِي مَا يُوعَدُونَ ﴿٩٤﴾ رَبِّ فَلَا تَجْعَلْنِي فِي الْقَوْمِ  
الظَّالِمِينَ ﴿٩٥﴾

Lord, if Thou wilt show me that of which they have been warned, then place me not, Lord, with the wrong doing people. (23:94,95)

## ABRAHAM'S PRAYER: FOR JOINING WITH THE RIGHTEOUS

رَبِّ هَبْ لِي حُكْمًا وَأَلْحِقْنِي بِالصَّالِحِينَ ﴿١٢٦﴾ وَأَجْعَلْ لِي  
لِسَانَ صِدْقٍ فِي الْآخِرِينَ ﴿١٢٧﴾ وَأَجْعَلْنِي مِنْ وَرَثَةِ جَنَّةِ النَّعِيمِ ﴿١٢٨﴾

Lord, bestow right judgement upon me and join me with the righteous, and give me a true and lasting reputation among posterity and include me among the inheritors of the Garden of Bliss (26:84-86)

### SOLOMON'S PRAYER: FOR BEING GRATEFUL AND BEING AMONG THE RIGHTEOUS

رَبِّ أَوْزِعْنِي أَنْ أَشْكُرَ نِعْمَتَكَ الَّتِي أَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيَّ وَعَلَىٰ وَالِدَيَّ  
وَأَنْ أَعْمَلَ صَالِحًا تَرْضَاهُ وَأَدْخِلْنِي بِرَحْمَتِكَ فِي عِبَادِكَ  
الصَّالِحِينَ

Lord, grant me the capacity to be grateful for Thy favour which Thou hast bestowed upon me and upon my parents, and to act righteously so as to win Thy pleasure; and admit me, by Thy mercy, among Thy righteous servants (27:20)

### ABRAHAM'S PRAYER: FOR RIGHTEOUS CHILDREN

رَبِّ هَبْ لِي مِنَ الصَّالِحِينَ

Lord, grant me righteous progeny (37:101)

## SUPPLICATION OF ANGELS ON BEHALF OF THE RIGHTEOUS

رَبَّنَا وَسِعْتَ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ رَّحْمَةً وَعِلْمًا  
فَاغْفِرْ لِلَّذِينَ تَابُوا وَاتَّبَعُوا سَبِيلَكَ وَقِهِمْ عَذَابَ الْجَحِيمِ  
رَبَّنَا وَأَدْخِلْهُمْ جَنَّاتِ عَدْنٍ الَّتِي وَعَدْتَهُمْ وَمَنْ صَلَحَ  
مِنْ آبَائِهِمْ وَأَزْوَاجِهِمْ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِمْ إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْعَزِيزُ  
الْحَكِيمُ وَقِهِمُ السَّيِّئَاتِ وَمَنْ تَقِ السَّيِّئَاتِ  
يَوْمَئِذٍ فَقَدْ رَحِمْتَهُ، وَذَلِكَ هُوَ الْفَوْزُ الْعَظِيمُ

Our Lord, Thou dost comprehend all things in Thy mercy and knowledge. So forgive those who repent and follow Thy way; and protect them from the punishment of Hell. And make them our Lord, enter Gardens of Eternity which Thou hast promised them, as well as such of their fathers and their wives and their children as are virtuous, surely Thou art the Mighty the Wise. And protect them from evils, and he whom Thou dost protect from evils on that day, him hast Thou surely shown mercy. And that indeed is the supreme triumph. (40:8-10)

## ABRAHAM'S PRAYER: FOR SELF AND PROGENY

رَبِّ اجْعَلْنِي مُقِيمَ الصَّلَاةِ وَمِنْ ذُرِّيَّتِي رَبَّنَا وَتَقَبَّلْ  
دُعَاءَ رَبَّنَا اغْفِرْ لِي وَلِوَالِدَيَّ وَلِلْمُؤْمِنِينَ يَوْمَ يَقُومُ



## الْحِسَابُ

Lord, make me constant in observing Salat and every one of my children also. Lord, of Thy grace accept my prayer. Lord, extend Thy forgiveness to me and to my parents and to all believers on the day when the reckoning is held (14:41-42)

### NOAH'S PRAYER: THANKING GOD FOR SAVING FROM ENEMY

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي بَجَّعَنَا مِنَ الْقَوْمِ الظَّالِمِينَ ﴿١﴾ وَقُلْ رَبِّ انزِلْنِي مُنزَلًا  
مُبَارَكًا وَأَنْتَ خَيْرُ الْمُنزِلِينَ ﴿٢﴾

All praise belongs to Allah Who has delivered us from the unjust people. And say, 'Lord, make my landing full of every kind of blessing, for Thou art the Best of those who cause people to land'. (23:29-30)

### PRAYER FOR SEEKING PROTECTION FROM OPPRESSORS

رَبَّنَا أَخْرِجْنَا مِنْ هَذِهِ الْقَرْيَةِ الظَّالِمِ أَهْلُهَا وَاجْعَلْ لَنَا مِنْ لَدُنْكَ  
وَلِيًّا وَاجْعَلْ لَنَا مِنْ لَدُنْكَ نَصِيرًا ﴿١﴾

Lord, deliver us from this town whose people are oppressors, and appoint for us from Thyself some friend and appoint for us from Thyself some helper. (4:76)



## PRAYER WHILE RIDING OR DRIVING

سُبْحَانَ الَّذِي سَخَّرْنَا هَذَا وَمَا كُنَّا لَهُ مُقْرِنِينَ ﴿١٤﴾  
وَإِنَّا إِلَىٰ رَبِّنَا لَمُنْقَلِبُونَ ﴿١٥﴾

Holy is He Who has subjected this to us, while we had not the strength to subdue it by ourselves. To our Lord surely shall we return (43:14-15)

## PRAYER FOR ALLAH'S MERCY

رَبِّ اغْفِرْ وَأَرْحَمْ وَأَنْتَ خَيْرُ الرَّاحِمِينَ ﴿١١٩﴾

Lord, forgive and have mercy, for Thou art the Best of those Who show mercy (23:119)

## PRAYER FOR BEING SAVED FROM THE PUNISHMENT OF HELL

رَبَّنَا أَصْرِفْ عَنَّا عَذَابَ جَهَنَّمَ إِنَّ عَذَابَهَا كَانَ غَرَامًا ﴿٦٦﴾  
إِنَّهَا سَاءَتْ مُسْتَقَرًّا وَمُقَامًا ﴿٦٧﴾

Our Lord, avert from us the punishment of Hell; it is a heavy torment. It is indeed evil as a place of rest and as an abode. (25:66-67)

## PRAYER FOR FAMILY AND CHILDREN

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّاتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا  
لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا

Our Lord, grant us of our spouses and of our offspring the delight of our eyes, and make us a model for the righteous (25:75)

## PRAYER FOR DELIVERANCE FROM RANCOUR

رَبَّنَا اغْفِرْ لَنَا وَلِإِخْوَانِنَا الَّذِينَ سَبَقُونَا بِالْإِيمَانِ  
وَلَا تَجْعَلْ فِي قُلُوبِنَا غِلًّا لِلَّذِينَ آمَنُوا رَبَّنَا إِنَّكَ رَءُوفٌ  
رَحِيمٌ

Our Lord, forgive us and our brethren who preceded us in the faith, and permit not any feeling of rancour to arise in our hearts against those who believe, Our Lord; Thou art indeed compassionate, Merciful (59:11)

## JOB'S PRAYER: FOR DELIVERANCE FROM DISTRESS

أَنِّي مَسَّنِيَ الضُّرُّ وَأَنْتَ أَرْحَمُ الرَّاحِمِينَ

Lord, I have been afflicted with distress and Thou art the Most Merciful of all Who show mercy (21:84)

### PRAYER OF JONAH: SEEKING SECURITY AGAINST CONSEQUENCES OF DEFAULT

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ سُبْحَانَكَ إِنِّي كُنْتُ مِنَ الظَّالِمِينَ

There is no god except Thee, Holy art Thou. I have indeed been a wrongdoer. (21:88)

### ZACHARIAH'S PRAYER: FOR RIGHTEOUS OFFSPRING

رَبِّ لَا تَذَرْنِي فَرْدًا وَأَنْتَ خَيْرُ الْوَارِثِينَ

Leave me not alone, Lord, Thou art the Best of heirs. (21:90)

### PRAYER FOR MERCY AND GUIDANCE

رَبَّنَا آتِنَا مِن لَّدُنكَ رَحْمَةً وَهَيِّئْ لَنَا مِنْ أَمْرِنَا رَشَدًا

Our Lord, bestow upon us special mercy from Thyself and provide for us the right guidance in our affairs. (18:11)

## NOAH'S PRAYER: SEEKING HELP FROM ALLAH WHEN OVERCOME

أَنِّي مَغْلُوبٌ فَأَنْصِرْ

Lord, I am overcome: so do come to my help. (54:11)

## PRAYER OF ABRAHAM'S PEOPLE: FOR FORGIVENESS

رَبَّنَا عَلَيْكَ تَوَكَّلْنَا وَإِلَيْكَ أَنبْنَا وَإِلَيْكَ الْمَصِيرُ ﴿٥٦﴾ رَبَّنَا لَا تَجْعَلْنَا  
فِتْنَةً لِلَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا وَآغْفِرْ لَنَا رَبَّنَا إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ ﴿٥٧﴾

Our Lord, in Thee do we put our trust, and to Thee do we turn in repentance, and to Thee is the final return. Our Lord, make us not to a trial for those who disbelieve, and forgive, Our Lord, for thou alone art the Mighty, the Wise. (60:5-6)

## PRAYER FOR APPRECIATION OF ALLAH'S FAVOURS

رَبِّ أَوْزِعْنِي أَنْ أَشْكُرَ نِعْمَتَكَ الَّتِي أَنْعَمْتَ  
عَلَيَّ وَعَلَىٰ وَالِدَيَّ وَأَنْ أَعْمَلَ صَالِحًا تَرْضَاهُ وَأَصْلِحْ لِي فِي  
ذُرِّيَّتِي إِنِّي بُبْتُ إِلَيْكَ وَإِنِّي مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ ﴿٣١﴾

Lord, grant me the power that I may be grateful to Thee



for the bounty that Thou hast bestowed upon me and upon my parents, and that I may act righteously so as to please Thee and make my progeny righteous also. I do turn to Thee and truly I am of those who submit to Thee. (46:16)

### **PRAYER FOR THE PERFECTION OF ALLAH'S BLESSINGS**

رَبَّنَا أَتِمِّمْ لَنَا نُورَنَا وَارْحَمْنَا إِنَّكَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ ﴿٩﴾

Our Lord, perfect our light for us and forgive us; surely Thou hast power over all things. (66:9)

**VIII**  
**THE HOLY QURAN TELLS US ABOUT**  
**PROPHETS**

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The Prophets are raised by God to guide mankind to the right path. Their basic function is to bring people, among whom they are raised, closer to God. They face opposition but they carry out their duties steadfastly and eventually they win. Muslims believe that Messengers have been sent by God to all nations. There are some which are mentioned in the Holy Quran but there are many others which are not mentioned therein.

Belief in all Prophets of God is a fundamental article of Muslim faith. While previous prophets were sent to a particular nation, tribe or people the Holy Prophet Muhammad peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, was sent by God Almighty to the whole of mankind. On account of his qualities and excellences, Muhammad, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, was a combination of all prophets, as he combined in himself, all the diverse guidances, which other prophets had brought. The Holy Prophet Muhammad came into this world at a time when the world was demanding a great reformer and all peoples had abandoned true doctrines and were involved in paganism, misguidance and creature worship.

The life of the Holy Prophet Muhammad was a life of great success. In his high moral qualities, his spiritual power, his high resolve, the excellences and perfection of his teaching, his perfect example and the acceptance of his prayers, in short, in every aspect of his life, he exhibited such bright signs that even a person of low intelligence, provided he is not inspired by unreasonable rancour and enmity, is faced to confess that he was a perfect example of manifestation of Divine qualities and was a perfect man.

## ALLAH HAS SENT MESSENGERS TO EVERY PEOPLE

إِنَّا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ بِالْحَقِّ بَشِيرًا وَنَذِيرًا وَإِنْ مِنْ أُمَّةٍ إِلَّا خَلَا فِيهَا نَذِيرٌ ﴿٣٥﴾

Allah said to Muhammad:

Verily, We have sent thee with the Truth, as a bearer of glad tidings and as a Warner; and there is no people to whom a Warner has not been sent. (35:25)

وَلِكُلِّ قَوْمٍ هَادٍ

And there is a Guide for every people. (13:8)

وَلَقَدْ بَعَثْنَا فِي كُلِّ أُمَّةٍ رَسُولًا أَنْ آعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ  
وَأَجْتَنِبُوا الطَّاغُوتَ فَمِنْهُمْ مَنْ هَدَى اللَّهُ وَمِنْهُمْ مَنْ  
حَقَّتْ عَلَيْهِ الضَّلَالَةُ فَسِيرُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ فَانظُرُوا كَيْفَ  
كَانَ عَاقِبَةُ الْمُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٣٧﴾

And We did raise among every people a Messenger preaching: 'Worship Allah and shun the Evil One.' Then among them were some whom Allah guided and among them were some who became deserving of ruin. So travel through the earth and see what was the end of those who treated the Prophets as liars! (16:37)

وَلِكُلِّ أُمَّةٍ رَسُولٌ فَإِذَا جَاءَ رَسُولُهُمْ قَضِيَ بَيْنَهُمْ



## بِالْقِسْطِ وَهُمْ لَا يُظْلَمُونَ ﴿٤٨﴾

And for every people there is a Messenger. So when their Messenger comes, it is judged between them with equity, and they are not wronged. (10:48)

### SOME OF THE MESSENGERS ARE MENTIONED IN THE HOLY QURAN

إِنَّا أَوْحَيْنَا إِلَيْكَ كَمَا أَوْحَيْنَا إِلَى نُوحٍ وَالنَّبِيِّينَ مِنْ بَعْدِهِ ۗ  
وَأَوْحَيْنَا إِلَىٰ إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَإِسْمَاعِيلَ وَإِسْحَاقَ وَيَعْقُوبَ  
وَالْأَسْبَاطِ وَعِيسَىٰ وَأَيُّوبَ وَيُوسُفَ وَهَارُونَ وَسُلَيْمَانَ  
وَءَاتَيْنَا دَاوُدَ زَبُورًا ﴿٤٩﴾ وَرُسُلًا قَدْ قَصَصْنَاهُمْ عَلَيْكَ  
مِنْ قَبْلُ وَرُسُلًا لَمْ نَقْصُصْهُمْ عَلَيْكَ ۗ وَكَلَّمَ اللَّهُ مُوسَىٰ  
تَكْلِيمًا ﴿٥٠﴾ رُسُلًا مُبَشِّرِينَ وَمُنذِرِينَ لِئَلَّا يَكُونَ  
لِلنَّاسِ عَلَى اللَّهِ حُجَّةٌ بَعْدَ الرُّسُلِ ۗ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ عَزِيزًا حَكِيمًا ﴿٥١﴾

Surely, We have sent revelation to thee (Muhammad) as We sent revelation to Noah and the Prophets after him; and We sent revelation to Abraham and Ishmael and Isaac and Jacob and his children and to Jesus and Job and Jonah and Aaron and Solomon, and We gave David a Book.

And We sent some Messengers whom We have already mentioned to thee and some Messengers whom We have not mentioned to thee- and Allah spoke to Moses parti-

cularly- Messengers, bearers of glad tidings and warners, so that people may have no plea against Allah after the coming of the Messengers. And Allah is Mighty, Wise. (4:164-166)

وَإِذْ أُنزِلَتْ عَلَيْكَ آيَاتُ الْكِتَابِ يَا مُوسَىٰ إِنِّي اصْطَفَيْتُكَ عَلَىٰ النَّاسِ  
وَإِذْ أُنزِلَتْ عَلَيْكَ آيَاتُ الْكِتَابِ يَا عِيسَىٰ ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ كُنَّا نُبَيِّنُكَ لَاللَّامِينَ

And remember when his Lord tried Abraham with certain commands which he fulfilled. He said, 'I will make thee a Leader of men.' Abraham asked, 'And from among my offspring?' He said, 'My covenant does not embrace the transgressors.' (2:125)

وَلَقَدْ آتَيْنَا مُوسَىٰ الْكِتَابَ وَقَفَّيْنَا مِنْ  
بَعْدِهِ بِالرُّسُلِ وَآتَيْنَا عِيسَى ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ الْبَيِّنَاتِ وَأَيَّدْنَاهُ  
بِرُوحِ الْقُدُسِ أَفَكُلَّمَا جَاءَكُمْ رَسُولٌ بِمَا لَا تَهْوَىٰ أَنْفُسُكُمْ  
أَسْتَكْبَرْتُمْ فَفَرِّقُوا لِي بَيْنَ الَّذِينَ يَكْفُرُونَ

And verily, We gave Moses the Book and caused after him Messengers to follow in his footsteps, and to Jesus, son of Mary, We gave manifest Signs, and strengthened him with the Spirit of holiness. Will you then, every time a Messenger comes to you with what you yourselves desire not, behave arrogantly and treat some as liars and slay others? (2:88)

### ALLAH'S MESSENGERS WILL ALWAYS PREVAIL OVER OPPONENTS

كُتِبَ اللَّهُ لَا غَلِبَ أَنْ أَوْرُسُلِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ قَوِيٌّ عَزِيزٌ

Allah has decreed: Surely, it is I who will prevail, I and My Messengers. Verily Allah is Powerful, Mighty. (58:22)

## PROPHETS ARE HUMAN BEINGS

وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَا مِنْ قَبْلِكَ إِلَّا رِجَالًا نُوْحِيْ اِلَيْهِمْ مِنْ اَهْلِ الْقُرَىٰ

Allah said to Muhammad:

'And We sent not before thee as Messengers any but men to whom We sent revelation, from among the people of the towns'. (12:110)

وَلَقَدْ اَرْسَلْنَا رُسُلًا مِنْ قَبْلِكَ وَجَعَلْنَا لَهُمْ اَزْوَاجًا وَذُرِّيَّةً

And indeed We sent Messengers before thee and We gave them wives and children. (13:39)

وَمَا اَرْسَلْنَا قَبْلَكَ مِنَ الْمُرْسَلِيْنَ اِلَّا اِنَّهُمْ لِيَاكُلُوْنَ  
الطَّعَامَ وَيَمْشُوْنَ فِي الْاَسْوَاقِ

And We did not send any Messengers before thee but surely they ate food and walked in the streets. (25:21)

وَمَا جَعَلْنَاهُمْ جَسَدًا لَا يَأْكُلُوْنَ الطَّعَامَ وَمَا كَانُوْا خَالِدِيْنَ

Nor did We give them bodies that ate not food, neither were they to live for ever. (21:9)



يَأْتِيهَا الرُّسُلُ كُلُّوْا مِنَ الطَّيِّبَاتِ وَأَعْمَلُوا صَالِحًا

Allah says:

O ye Messengers! eat of pure things and do good works.  
(23:52)

### PROPHETS RECEIVE REVELATION IN THE LANGUAGE OF THEIR PEOPLE

وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَا مِنْ رَّسُولٍ إِلَّا بِلِسَانِ قَوْمِهِ لِيُبَيِّنَ لَهُمْ

Allah says:

And We have not sent any Messenger except with revelation in the language of his people in order that he might make things clear to them. (14:5)

### PROPHETS CONVEY THE MESSAGE OF ALLAH

مَا عَلَى الرَّسُولِ إِلَّا الْبَلَاغُ

The Messenger's duty is only to convey the Message.  
(5:100)

### ALLAH REVEALS HIS SECRETS TO HIS MESSENGERS

عَلِمُ الْغَيْبِ فَلَا يُظْهِرُ عَلَى غَيْبِهِ أَحَدًا ۖ إِلَّا مَنِ ارْتَضَى  
مِنْ رَسُولٍ فَإِنَّهُ يَسْلُكُ مِنْ بَيْنِ يَدَيْهِ وَمِنْ خَلْفِهِ رَصَدًا ۖ



He is the Knower of the Unseen; and He reveals not His secrets to anyone, except to him whom He chooses, namely a Messenger of His. And then He causes an escort of guarding angels to go before him and behind him. (72:27,28)

## ALLAH HELPS HIS MESSENGERS

إِنَّا لَنَنْصُرُ رُسُلَنَا وَالَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَيَوْمَ يَقُومُ  
الْأَشْهَادُ ﴿٥٢﴾

Allah says:

Most surely We help Our Messengers and those who believe, both in the present life and on the Day when the witnesses will stand forth. (40:52)

وَلَقَدْ سَبَقَتْ كَلِمَاتُنَا لِعِبَادِنَا الْمُرْسَلِينَ ﴿١٧٣﴾ إِنَّهُمْ لَهُمُ الْمَنْصُورُونَ ﴿١٧٢﴾

And surely Our word has gone forth to Our servants, the Messengers, that it is they who will be helped. (37:172,173)

## THE MESSENGERS BRING GLAD TIDINGS

نُرْسِلُ الْمُرْسَلِينَ إِلَّا مُبَشِّرِينَ وَمُنذِرِينَ فَمَنْ ءَامَنَ وَأَصْلَحَ  
فَلَخَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُونَ ﴿١٠٦﴾ وَالَّذِينَ كَذَّبُوا بِآيَاتِنَا  
يَمْسُهُمُ الْعَذَابُ بِمَا كَانُوا يَفْسُقُونَ ﴿١٠٧﴾

Allah says:

We sent the Messengers only as bearers of glad tidings and as warners, then those who believe and work righteousness are subject neither to fear nor to grief; and chastisement befalls those who reject Our Signs because of their disobedience. (6:49,50)

كَانَ النَّاسُ أُمَّةً وَاحِدَةً فَبَعَثَ اللَّهُ النَّبِيِّنَ مُبَشِّرِينَ  
وَمُنذِرِينَ وَأَنْزَلَ مَعَهُمُ الْكِتَابَ بِالْحَقِّ لِيَحْكُمَ بَيْنَ النَّاسِ  
فِيمَا اخْتَلَفُوا فِيهِ

Mankind were one community, then they differed among themselves, so Allah raised Prophets as bearers of glad tidings and as warners and sent down with them the Book containing the truth that he might judge between the people wherein they differed. (2:214)

### SOME MESSENGERS ARE EXALTED ABOVE OTHERS

تِلْكَ الرُّسُلُ فَضَّلْنَا بَعْضَهُمْ عَلَى بَعْضٍ مِنْهُمْ مَنْ كَلَّمَ اللَّهُ  
وَرَفَعَ بَعْضَهُمْ دَرَجَاتٍ

Allah says:

Of the Messengers some have We exalted above others; among them there are those to whom Allah spoke and revealed to them a Law; and some of them He only exalted in rank. (2:254)

## PROPHETS ARE INNOCENT AND ARE SAFEGUARDED FROM ERROR

قُلْ إِنَّ صَلَاتِي وَنُسُكِي وَمَحْيَايَ وَمَمَاتِي لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿١٦٣﴾

Allah says:

Say, My Prayer and my sacrifice and my life and my death are all for Allah, the Lord of the Worlds. (6:163)

## PROPHETS ARE NOT DISHONEST

وَمَا كَانَ لِنَبِيٍّ أَنْ يَغُلَّ ﴿١٦٢﴾

Allah says:

And it is not possible for a Prophet to act dishonestly. (3:162)

## PROPHETS ARE RIDICULED BY PEOPLE

كَذَلِكَ مَا آتَى الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ مِنْ رَسُولٍ إِلَّا قَالُوا سَاحِرٌ أَوْ مُجْنُونٌ ﴿٥٣﴾

Allah says:

Thus there came no Messenger to those before them, but they said: He is a sorcerer or a madman. (51:53)

وَكَمْ أَرْسَلْنَا مِنْ نَبِيِّ فِي الْأَوَّلِينَ ﴿٥٤﴾ وَمَا يَأْتِيهِمْ مِنْ نَبِيٍّ إِلَّا  
كَانُوا بِهِ يَسْتَهْزِءُونَ ﴿٥٥﴾



And how many a Prophet did We send among the earlier peoples, but there never came to them a Prophet but they mocked at him. (43:7,8)

### PROPHETS ARE CHARGED WITH FALSEHOOD

فَإِنْ كَذَّبُوكَ فَقَدْ كَذَّبَ رَسُولٌ مِّن قَبْلِكَ جَاءُوا بِالْبَيِّنَاتِ  
وَالزُّبُرِ وَالكِتَابِ الْمُنِيرِ ﴿٦﴾

Allah says to Muhammad:

Then, if they call thee false, even so were called Messengers before thee who came with clear Signs, Scriptures and shining Commandments. (3:185)

### SATAN ALWAYS PUTS OBSTACLES IN THE WAY OF WHAT THE PROPHETS SEEK AFTER BUT HE ALWAYS FAILS

وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَا مِن قَبْلِكَ مِن رَّسُولٍ وَلَا نَبِيٍّ إِلَّا إِذَا تَمَنَّى أَلْقَى  
الشَّيْطَانُ فِي أُمْنِيَّتِهِ فَيَنسَخُ اللَّهُ مَا يُلْقِي الشَّيْطَانُ ثُمَّ  
يُحْكِمُ اللَّهُ آيَاتِهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلِيمٌ حَكِيمٌ ﴿٥٣﴾

Allah says:

Never did We send a Messenger of a Prophet before thee and he formed a design to fulfil Our purpose, Satan put obstacles in the way of his design. Then Allah removes the obstacles placed by Satan and Allah firmly establishes His Signs. Allah is All Knowing, Wise. (22:53)



## BELIEF IN ALL PROPHETS IS ESSENTIAL

قُولُوا آمَنَّا بِاللَّهِ وَمَا أُنزِلَ إِلَيْنَا وَمَا أُنزِلَ إِلَىٰ إِبْرَاهِيمَ  
 وَإِسْمَاعِيلَ وَإِسْحَاقَ وَيَعْقُوبَ وَالْأَسْبَاطِ وَمَا أُوتِيَ مُوسَىٰ  
 وَعِيسَىٰ وَمَا أُوتِيَ النَّبِيُّونَ مِن رَّبِّهِمْ لَا نُفَرِّقُ بَيْنَ أَحَدٍ  
 مِنْهُمْ وَنَحْنُ لَهُ مُسْلِمُونَ ﴿١٣٧﴾

Allah says:

Say, we believe in Allah and what has been revealed to us, and what was revealed to Abraham and Ishmael and Isaac and Jacob and his children, and what was given to Moses and Jesus, and what was given to all other Prophets from their Lord. We make no difference between any one of them; and to Him we submit ourselves. (2:137)

## TO DISBELIEVE ONE PROPHET IS TO DISBELIEVE ALL OF THEM

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَكْفُرُونَ بِاللَّهِ وَرُسُلِهِ، وَيُرِيدُونَ أَنْ  
 يُفَرِّقُوا بَيْنَ اللَّهِ وَرُسُلِهِ، وَيَقُولُونَ نُؤْمِنُ بِبَعْضٍ وَ  
 نَكْفُرُ بِبَعْضٍ وَيُرِيدُونَ أَنْ يَتَّخِذُوا بَيْنَ ذَلِكَ سَبِيلًا ﴿١٣٨﴾

Allah says:

Surely those who disbelieve in Allah and His Messengers and desire to make a distinction between Allah and His Messengers and say, 'We believe in some and disbelieve

in others, and desire to take a way in between. These indeed are veritable disbelievers, and We have prepared a humiliating punishment for the disbelievers. (4:151,152)

## JESUS WAS A PROPHET OF GOD

قَالَ إِنِّي عَبْدُ اللَّهِ ءَاتَنِي الْكِتَابَ وَجَعَلَنِي  
 نَبِيًّا ۖ وَجَعَلَنِي مُبَارَكًا أَيْنَ مَا كُنْتُ وَأَوْصَانِي بِالصَّلَاةِ  
 وَالزَّكَاةِ مَا دُمْتُ حَيًّا ۖ وَبَرًّا بِوَالِدَتِي وَلَمْ يَجْعَلْ لِي  
 جَبْرًا شَقِيًّا ۖ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَيَّ يَوْمَ وُلِدْتُ وَيَوْمَ أَمُوتُ  
 وَيَوْمَ أُبْعَثُ حَيًّا ۖ

He (Jesus) said. 'I am a servant of Allah. He (God) has given me the Book, and made me a Prophet.'

'And He has made me blessed wheresoever I may be, and has enjoined upon me Prayer and almsgiving so long as I live.'

'And He has made me dutiful towards my mother, and He has not made me haughty and unblessed.'

'And peace was on me the day I was born, and peace there will be on me the day I shall die and the day I shall be raised up to life again.' (19:31-34)

## JESUS WAS NEITHER KILLED NOR CRUCIFIED

وَقَوْلِهِمْ إِنَّا قَتَلْنَا الْمَسِيحَ عِيسَى ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ  
رَسُولَ اللَّهِ وَمَا قَتَلُوهُ وَمَا صَلَبُوهُ وَلَكِنْ شُبِّهَ لَهُمْ وَإِنَّ الَّذِينَ  
أَخْتَلَفُوا فِيهِ لَفِي شَكٍّ مِّنْهُ مَا لَهُمْ بِهِ مِنْ عِلْمٍ إِلَّا أَنْبَاءَ الظَّنِّ  
وَمَا قَتَلُوهُ يَقِينًا

And their saying, 'We did kill the Messiah, Jesus, son of Mary, the Messenger of Allah;' Whereas they slew him not, nor crucified him, but he was made to them like one crucified; and those who differ therein are certainly in a state of doubt about it; they have no definite knowledge thereof, but only follow a conjecture; and they did not convert this conjecture into a certainty; (4:158)

إِذْ قَالَ اللَّهُ يُعِيسَى ابْنِي مَتَوْفِيكَ وَرَأْفِعُكَ  
إِلَىَّ وَمُطَهِّرُكَ مِنَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا وَجَاعِلُ الَّذِينَ اتَّبَعُوكَ  
فَوْقَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا إِلَى يَوْمِ الْقِيَامَةِ ثُمَّ إِلَىٰ مَرْجِعِكُمْ  
فَأَحْكُمُ بَيْنَكُمْ فِيمَا كُنْتُمْ فِيهِ تَخْتَلِفُونَ

When Allah said, 'O Jesus, I will cause thee to die a natural death and will exalt thee to Myself, and will clear thee from the charges of those who disbelieve, and will place those who follow thee above those who disbelieve, until the Day of Resurrection; then to Me shall be your return, and I will judge between you concerning that wherein you differ. (3:56)



## JESUS WAS NOT GOD. HE DIED A NATURAL DEATH

وَإِذْ قَالَ اللَّهُ يَٰعِيسَىٰ ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ ۗ أَنْتَ قُلْتَ لِلنَّاسِ اتَّخِذُونِي  
وَأُمَّيَّ إِلَهَيْنِ مِن دُونِ اللَّهِ ۗ قَالَ سُبْحٰنَكَ مَا يَكُونُ لِي أَن  
أَقُولَ مَا لَيْسَ لِي بِحَقِّ ۗ إِن كُنتُ قُلْتُهُ ۗ فَقَدْ عَلِمْتَهُ ۗ تَعَلَّمُ مَا فِي  
نَفْسِي ۗ وَلَا أَعْلَمُ مَا فِي نَفْسِكَ ۗ إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ عَلَّمُ الْغُيُوبِ ۗ مَا  
قُلْتُ لَهُمْ إِلَّا مَا أَمَرْتَنِي بِهِ ۗ أَنِ اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ رَبِّي وَرَبَّكُمْ ۗ وَكُنتُ  
عَلَيْهِمْ شَهِيدًا ۗ مَا دُمْتُ فِيهِمْ ۗ فَلَمَّا تَوَفَّيْتَنِي ۗ كُنتَ أَنتَ الرَّقِيبَ  
عَلَيْهِمْ ۗ وَأَنْتَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ شَهِيدٌ

And when Allah will say, 'O Jesus, son of Mary, didst thou say to men, 'Take me and my mother for two gods beside Allah?' he will answer, 'Holy art Thou. I could never say that to which I had no right. If I had said it, Thou wouldst have surely known it. Thou knowest what is in my mind, and I know not what is in Thy mind. It is only Thou Who art the Knower of hidden things'.

'I said nothing to them except that which Thou didst command me- 'Worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord.' And I was a witness over them as long as I remained among them, but since Thou didst cause me to die, Thou hast been the Watcher over them; and Thou art Witness over all things'. (5:117,118)



## JESUS MOVED TO AN ELEVATED LAND AFTER THE INCIDENT OF CRUCIFIXION

وَجَعَلْنَا ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ وَأُمَّهُ آيَةً وَآوَيْنَهُمَا إِلَىٰ رَبْوَةٍ ذَاتِ قَرَارٍ وَمَعِينٍ

And We made the son of Mary and his mother a Sign, and gave them refuge on an elevated land of green valleys and springs of running water. (23:51)

## MUHAMMAD WAS SENT AS A MERCY FOR THE UNIVERSE

وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ إِلَّا رَحْمَةً لِّلْعَالَمِينَ

Allah says to Muhammad:

We have sent thee as a mercy for the universe. (21:108)

## MUHAMMAD BROUGHT GLAD TIDINGS TO ALL MANKIND

وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ إِلَّا كَآفَّةً لِّلنَّاسِ بَشِيرًا وَنَذِيرًا وَلَٰكِنَّ  
أَكْثَرَ النَّاسِ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ

Allah says:

And we have not sent thee but as a bearer of glad tidings and a Warner for all mankind, but most men know not. (34:29)

## MUHAMMAD WAS A MESSENGER OF ALLAH: ALL MESSENGERS WHICH CAME BEFORE HIM HAD DIED

وَمَا مُحَمَّدٌ إِلَّا رَسُولٌ قَدْ خَلَتْ مِنْ قَبْلِهِ الرُّسُلُ

Allah says:

And Muhammad is only a Messenger, verily all Messengers before him have passed away. (3:145)

## MUHAMMAD IS THE SEAL OF PROPHETS

مَا كَانَ مُحَمَّدٌ أَبَا أَحَدٍ مِنْ رِجَالِكُمْ وَلَكِنْ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ  
وَخَاتَمَ النَّبِيِّينَ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ بِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ عَلِيمًا

Muhammad is not the father of any of your men, but he is the Messenger of Allah and the Seal of the Prophets and Allah has full knowledge of all things. (33:41)

## MUHAMMAD IS THE IMMACULATE ONE

قُلْ يَتَّيْبُهَا النَّاسُ إِنِّي رَسُولُ اللَّهِ إِلَيْكُمْ جَمِيعًا الَّذِي  
لَهُ مُلْكُ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ يُحْيِي وَيُمِيتُ  
فَعَامِنُوا بِاللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأُمِّيِّ الَّذِي يُؤْمِنُ بِاللَّهِ  
وَكَلامِهِ، وَاتَّبِعُوهُ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَهْتَدُونَ

Allah says to Muhammad:

Say: O mankind! truly I am a Messenger to you all from Allah to whom belongs the Kingdom of the heavens and the earth. There is no God but He. He gives life and He causes death. So believe in Allah and His Messenger, the Prophet, the Immaculate one, who believes in Allah and His words; and follow him that you may be rightly guided. (7:159)

### MUHAMMAD IS THE EXCELLENT MODEL FOR US

لَقَدْ كَانَ لَكُمْ فِي رَسُولِ اللَّهِ أُسْوَةٌ حَسَنَةٌ لِّمَن كَانَ يَرْجُوا اللَّهَ  
وَالْيَوْمَ الْآخِرَ وَذَكَرَ اللَّهَ كَثِيرًا

Allah says:

Verily you have in the Prophet of Allah an excellent model, for him who hopes to meet Allah and the Last Day and who remembers Allah much. (33:22)

### THE HOLY PROPHET HAD EXCELLENT MORALS

وَإِنَّكَ لَعَلَىٰ خُلُقٍ عَظِيمٍ

Allah says to Muhammad:

And thou dost surely possess high moral excellences. (68:5)



## QURAN WAS REVEALED TO MUHAMMAD

وَإِنَّهُ لَنَزِيلُ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿١٩٣﴾ نَزَلَ بِهِ الرُّوحُ الْأَمِينُ ﴿١٩٤﴾ عَلَى  
 قَلْبِكَ لِتَكُونَ مِنَ الْمُنذِرِينَ ﴿١٩٥﴾ بِلسَانٍ عَرَبِيٍّ مُبِينٍ ﴿١٩٦﴾

And verily this is a revelation from the Lord of the worlds. The Spirit, Faithful to the Trust has descended with it, on thy heart, that thou mayest be of the Warners, in plain and clear Arabic tongue. (26:193-196)

## SPIRITUAL ASCENSION OF MUHAMMAD

ثُمَّ دَنَا فَدَدَّنِي ﴿٩﴾ فَكَانَ قَابَ قَوْسَيْنِ أَوْ أَدْنَىٰ ﴿١٠﴾ فَأَوْحَىٰ إِلَيَّ  
 عَبْدِهِ مَا أَوْحَىٰ ﴿١١﴾

Allah says about Muhammad:

Then he drew nearer to Allah; then Allah leaned down towards him, so that he became, as it were, one chord to two bows, or closer still. Then Allah revealed to His servant that which He had willed to reveal. (53:9-11)

## MUHAMMAD'S MISSION WAS TO CONVEY THE MESSAGE OF ALLAH

يَأْتِيهَا الرَّسُولُ بَلِّغْ مَا أُنزِلَ إِلَيْكَ مِنْ رَبِّكَ وَإِنْ لَمْ تَفْعَلْ  
 فَمَا بَلَّغْتَ رِسَالَتَهُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْصِمُكَ مِنَ النَّاسِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ  
 لَا يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ الْكَافِرِينَ ﴿١٠٠﴾



Allah says:

O Messenger! convey to the people what has been revealed to thee from thy Lord; for if thou do it not, thou wilt not have conveyed His message at all. Allah will protect thee from harm by people. Surely Allah guides not the disbelieving people. (5:68)

### MUHAMMAD'S MISSION WAS TO PURIFY PEOPLE

هُوَ الَّذِي بَعَثَ فِي الْأُمِّيِّينَ رَسُولًا مِنْهُمْ يَتْلُو عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتِهِ  
وَيُزَكِّيهِمْ وَيُعَلِّمُهُمُ الْكِتَابَ وَالْحِكْمَةَ وَإِنْ كَانُوا مِنْ قَبْلُ لَفِي  
ضَلَالٍ مُبِينٍ ﴿٦٢﴾

He it is Who has raised among the unlettered people a Messenger from among themselves who recites unto them His Signs, and purifies them, and teaches them the Book and wisdom, although they had been, before, in manifest misguidance. (62:3)

### IF YOU LOVE ALLAH, FOLLOW MUHAMMAD

قُلْ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ تُحِبُّونَ اللَّهَ فَاتَّبِعُونِي يُحْبِبْكُمُ اللَّهُ وَيَغْفِرْ لَكُمْ ذُنُوبَكُمْ  
وَاللَّهُ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ ﴿٦٣﴾ قُلْ أَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَالرَّسُولَ فَإِنْ تَوَلَّوْا  
فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُحِبُّ الْكٰفِرِينَ ﴿٦٤﴾

Allah says to the Holy Prophet:

Say: If you love Allah, follow me; then Allah will love you

and forgive you your faults. And Allah is Most Forgiving, Merciful.

Say; Obey Allah and the Messenger; but if they turn away, then remember that Allah loves not the disbelievers. (3:32,33)

### WHOEVER OBEYS MUHAMMAD, OBEYS ALLAH

مَنْ يُطِيعِ الرَّسُولَ فَقَدْ أَطَاعَ اللَّهَ وَمَنْ تَوَلَّى فَمَا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ عَلَيْهِمْ حَفِيظًا

Allah says:

Whoso obeys the Messenger obeys Allah indeed; and whoso turns away, then We have not sent thee as a keeper over them. (4:81)

### BY FOLLOWING MUHAMMAD ONE CAN ATTAIN HIGH SPIRITUAL STATUS

وَمَنْ يُطِيعِ اللَّهَ وَالرَّسُولَ فَأُولَئِكَ مَعَ الَّذِينَ أَنْعَمَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِمْ مِنَ النَّبِيِّينَ وَالصِّدِّيقِينَ وَالشُّهَدَاءِ وَالصَّالِحِينَ وَحَسُنَ أُولَئِكَ رَفِيقًا

And whoso obeys Allah and this Messenger of His, shall be among those on whom Allah has bestowed His blessings, namely the Prophets, the Truthful, the Martyrs and the Righteous. And excellent companions are these. (4:70)

## ENEMIES PLOTTED TO KILL MUHAMMAD

وَإِذْ يَمْكُرُ بِكَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا لِيُثْبِتُوكَ أَوْ يَقْتُلُوكَ أَوْ يُخْرِجُوكَ  
وَيَمْكُرُونَ وَيَمْكُرُ اللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ خَيْرُ الْمَكْرِينَ ﴿٣١﴾

Allah says to Muhammad:

And remember the time when the disbelievers plotted against thee that they might imprison thee or kill thee or expel thee. And they planned and Allah also planned, and Allah is the Best of planners. (8:31)

## MUHAMMAD WAS GUARDED BY ANGELS

لَهُ مُعَقِّبَاتٌ مِّنْ بَيْنِ يَدَيْهِ وَمِنْ خَلْفِهِ يَحْفَظُونَهُ، مِنْ أَمْرِ اللَّهِ ﴿١٢﴾

Allah says about Muhammad:

For him is a succession of angels before him and behind him; they guard him by the command of Allah. (13:12)

## ALLAH HELPED MUHAMMAD AGAINST HIS ENEMIES

إِلَّا أَنْصُرُوهُ فَقَدْ نَصَرَهُ اللَّهُ إِذْ أَخْرَجَهُ  
الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا تَائِبِينَ إِذْ هُمْ فِي الْغَارِ إِذْ  
يَقُولُ لِصَاحِبِهِ، لَا تَحْزَنْ إِنَّا نَرَى اللَّهَ مَعَنَا فَأَنْزَلَ  
اللَّهُ سَكِينَتَهُ عَلَيْهِ وَأَيَّدَهُ بِجُنُودٍ لَّمْ تَرَوْهَا



وَجَعَلَ كَلِمَةَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا السُّفْلَىٰ  
 وَكَلِمَةُ اللَّهِ هِيَ الْعُلْيَا وَاللَّهُ عَزِيزٌ حَكِيمٌ ﴿٦٠﴾

Allah says about Muhammad: If you help him not, you should know that he is not dependent upon your help. Allah helped him when the disbelievers drove him forth from his home, one of two, when they were both in the cave and he reassured his companion, saying, 'Grieve not, for Allah is with us'. Then Allah sent down tranquillity on him and strengthened him with hosts which you did not see, and humbled the words of those who disbelieved, and it is the word of Allah alone which is supreme. And Allah is Mighty, Wise. (9:40)

### WE SHOULD INVOKE BLESSINGS ON MUHAMMAD

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ  
 ءَامَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا ﴿٥٧﴾

Allah says:

Allah and His angels send blessings on the Prophet. O ye who believe! you also should invoke blessings on him and salute him with the salutation of peace. (33:57)



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## IX

THE HOLY QURAN TELLS US ABOUT  
**THE LIFE HEREAFTER**

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After belief in one God, belief in the Day of Judgement is the most emphasised doctrine mentioned in the Holy Quran. No other revealed book draws such a vivid picture of Life after Death as does the Holy Quran.

According to the Holy Quran, the entire universe will come to an end on the Day Of Judgement. The dead will be resurrected and accounts will be taken of their deeds. People with good records will enter into heaven while those with bad records will be thrown into hell. According to the teachings of Islam, hell is a temporary abode while heaven is everlasting.

The Garden promised to the righteous has rivers of water that is not corrupted; and rivers of milk of which the taste changes not; and rivers of wine full of delight for those who drink; and rivers of pure honey. Thus paradise may be understood as having endless streams flowing with these things. The water of life which a person, possessing insight, drinks spiritually in this life will be present overtly in the life to come. The spiritual milk of which he drinks spiritually like a suckling babe in this world, will be seen openly in paradise. The wine of the love of God with which he was spiritually drunk in the world will be made manifest in paradise in streams. The honey of the sweetness of the faith, which one possessed of insight, swallowed spiritually in the world will be felt and observed in the shape of streams in paradise. In short, spiritual condition will be no longer hidden but will become physically visible.



## THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THE DAY OF RESURRECTION WOULD COME

اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ لِيَجْمَعَنَّكُمْ إِلَى يَوْمِ الْقِيَامَةِ لَا رَيْبَ فِيهِ  
وَمَنْ أَصْدَقُ مِنَ اللَّهِ حَدِيثًا ﴿٤٨﴾

Allah is He beside Whom there is none worthy of worship. He will certainly continue to assemble you till the Day of Resurrection, about which there is no doubt. And who is more truthful in his word than Allah? (4:88)

إِنَّ السَّاعَةَ لَأْتِيَةٌ لَّارَيْبَ فِيهَا وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَ النَّاسِ  
لَا يُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿٦٠﴾

The Hour will surely come; there is no doubt about it; yet most men believe not. (40:60)

كَيْفَ تَكْفُرُونَ بِاللَّهِ وَكُنْتُمْ أَمْوَاتًا فَأَحْيَاكُمْ  
ثُمَّ يُمِيتُكُمْ ثُمَّ يُحْيِيكُمْ ثُمَّ إِلَيْهِ تُرْجَعُونَ ﴿٢٩﴾

How can you disbelieve in Allah? When you were without life, He gave you life, and then He will cause you to die, then restore you to life, and then to Him shall you be made to return. (2:29)

## THOSE WHO DO NOT BELIEVE IN THE LIFE HEREAFTER WILL BE PUNISHED

وَقَالُوا إِن هِيَ إِلَّا أَحْيَانُنَا الدُّنْيَا وَمَا نَحْنُ بِمَبْعُوثِينَ ﴿٦٠﴾ وَلَوْ تَرَىٰ

إِذْ وَقَفُوا عَلَىٰ رَبِّهِمْ قَالَ أَلَيْسَ هَذَا بِالْحَقِّ قَالُوا بَلَىٰ وَرَبِّنَا  
قَالَ فَذُوقُوا الْعَذَابَ بِمَا كُنْتُمْ تَكْفُرُونَ

And they say, *There is nothing except this our present life, and we shall not be raised again.*

And if thou couldst only see when they are made to stand before their Lord! He will say, *Is not this second life the truth?* They will say, *Yea, by our Lord.* He will say, *Then taste the punishment because you disbelieved.* (6:30,31)

### DEAD WILL BE RAISED BY ALLAH AND BROUGHT BEFORE HIM ON THE DAY OF RESURRECTION

وَالْمَوْتَىٰ يَبْعَثُهُمُ اللَّهُ ثُمَّ إِلَيْهِ يُرْجَعُونَ

And as for the dead, Allah will raise them to life, then to Him shall they be brought back. (6:37)

وَكُلُّهُمْ آتِيهِ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ فَرْدًا

And each of them shall come to Him singly on the Day of Resurrection. (19:96)

ذَٰلِكَ يَوْمٌ مَّجْمُوعٌ لَّهُ النَّاسُ وَذَٰلِكَ يَوْمٌ مَّشْهُودٌ وَمَا  
نُؤَخَّرُهُ إِلَّا لِأَجَلٍ مُّعَدُّودٍ

That is a day for which all mankind shall be gathered together and that is a day the proceedings of which shall

be witnessed by all. And We delay it not save for a computed term. (11:104,105)

### THE BELIEVERS DO NOT PREFER THE PRESENT LIFE TO THE LIFE HEREAFTER

يَأْتِيهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا مَا لَكُمْ إِذَا قِيلَ لَكُمْ أَنْفِرُوا فِي  
سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ أَتَأْقَلْتُمْ إِلَى الْأَرْضِ أَرْضَيْتُمْ بِالْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا  
مِنَ الْآخِرَةِ فَمَا مَتَّعُ الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا فِي الْآخِرَةِ  
إِلَّا قَلِيلٌ ﴿٦٨﴾

O ye who believe! what is the matter with you that, when it is said to you, go forth in the way of Allah, you sink heavily towards the earth? Would you be contented with the present life in preference to the Hereafter? But the enjoyment of the present life is but little, as compared with the Hereafter. (9:38)

زَيْنَ لِلَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا الْحَيَاةَ الدُّنْيَا وَيَسْخَرُونَ مِنَ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا  
وَالَّذِينَ اتَّقَوْا فَوْقَهُمْ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ وَاللَّهُ يَرْزُقُ مَنْ يَشَاءُ  
بِغَيْرِ حِسَابٍ ﴿٦٩﴾

The life of this world is made to appear attractive to those who disbelieve; and they scoff at those who believe. But those who fear God shall be above them on the Day of Resurrection; and Allah bestows His gifts on whomsoever He pleases without reckoning. (2:213)



## LIFE HEREAFTER IS BETTER THAN THE LIFE IN THIS WORLD

وَلَدَارُ الْآخِرَةِ خَيْرٌ لِلَّذِينَ اتَّقَوْا أَفَلَا تَعْقِلُونَ

And surely, the abode of the Hereafter is better for those who fear God. Will you not then understand? (12:110)

## PEOPLE WILL SEE THEIR RECORD ON THE DAY OF JUDGEMENT

يَوْمَ يَصْدُرُ النَّاسُ أَشْتَاتًا لِيُرَوْا أَعْمَالَهُمْ ۚ فَمَنْ  
يَعْمَلْ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ خَيْرًا يَرَهُ ۚ وَمَنْ يَعْمَلْ  
مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ شَرًّا يَرَهُ ۚ

On that day will people come forth in scattered groups that they may be shown the results of their works. Then whoso does an atom's weight of good will see it, And whoso does an atom's weight of evil will also see it. (99:7-9)

وَكُلُّ إِنْسَانٍ أَلَمْنَهُ لِحَمِيهِ ۖ وَإِنَّ أَوَّلَ الْيَوْمِ لَكُنُوزًا  
يَلْقَاهُ مَنْشُورًا ۚ أَقْرَأْ كِتَابَكَ كَفَىٰ بِنَفْسِكَ الْيَوْمَ عَلَيْكَ حَسِيبًا

And every man's works have We fastened to his neck; and on the Day of Resurrection We shall bring out for him a book which he will find wide open. 'Read thy book. Sufficient is thy own soul this day as reckoner against thee.' (17:14-15)

## LIFE HEREAFTER IS DETERMINED BY THE DEEDS OF PEOPLE IN THIS LIFE

فَأَمَّا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ فَيُدْخِلُهُمْ رَبُّهُمْ فِي رَحْمَتِهِ  
ذَلِكَ هُوَ الْفَوْزُ الْمُبِينُ ﴿٣١﴾ وَأَمَّا الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا أَفَلَمْ تَكُنْ ءَايَاتِي تُتْلَىٰ  
عَلَيْكُمْ فَاسْتَكْبَرْتُمْ وَكُنْتُمْ قَوْمًا مُّجْرِمِينَ ﴿٣٢﴾

Now as for those who believed and did good works, their Lord will admit them into His mercy. That is the clear achievement.

But as to those who disbelieved: Were not My Signs recited unto you? But you were arrogant, and were a guilty people. (45:31,32)

وَبَدَأْتُمْ سَيِّئَاتٍ مَا عَمِلُوا وَحَاقَ بِهِم مَّا كَانُوا بِهِ يَسْتَهْزِءُونَ ﴿٣٤﴾  
وَقِيلَ الْيَوْمَ نَنْسِيكُمْ مَّا كُنْتُمْ لِقَاءَ يَوْمِكُمْ هَٰذَا وَمَأْوَاكُمْ النَّارُ وَمَا  
لَكُمْ مِّن نَّصِيرِينَ ﴿٣٥﴾

And the evil consequences of their deeds will become apparent to them, and that which they used to mock at shall encompass them.

And it will be said to them, *This day shall We forget you, as you forgot the meeting of this day of yours. And your resort is the Fire, and you will have no helpers.* (45:34,35)

## NO INTERCESSION WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY

وَأَتَّقُوا يَوْمًا لَا تَجْزِي نَفْسٌ عَنْ نَفْسٍ شَيْئًا وَلَا يُقْبَلُ

مِنْهَا شَفَعَةٌ وَلَا يُؤْخَذُ مِنْهَا عَدْلٌ وَلَا هُمْ يُنصَرُونَ ﴿٤٩﴾

And fear the day when no soul shall serve as a substitute for another soul at all, nor shall intercession be accepted for it; nor shall ransom be taken from it; nor shall they be helped. (2:49)

### GLAD TIDINGS TO THOSE WHO BELIEVE AND DO GOOD DEEDS

وَبَشِّرِ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ أَنَّ لَهُمْ جَنَّاتٍ  
تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ كُلَّمَا رُزِقُوا مِنْهَا مِنْ ثَمَرَةٍ  
رِزْقًا قَالُوا هَذَا الَّذِي رُزِقْنَا مِنْ قَبْلُ وَأُتُوا بِهِ مُتَشَابِهًا  
وَلَهُمْ فِيهَا أَزْوَاجٌ مُطَهَّرَةٌ وَهُمْ فِيهَا خَالِدُونَ ﴿٢٦﴾

And give glad tidings to those who believe and do good deeds, that for them are Gardens beneath which streams flow. Whenever they are given a portion of fruit therefrom, they will say: This is what was given us before, and gifts mutually resembling shall be brought to them. And they will have therein mates perfectly pure, and therein will they abide. (2:26)

لَكِنَّ الَّذِينَ اتَّقَوْا رَبَّهُمْ لَهُمْ عُرْفٌ مِّنْ فَوْقِهَا عُرْفٌ مَّبْنِيَةٌ تَجْرِي  
مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ وَعَدَّ اللَّهُ لَا يُخْلِفُ اللَّهُ الْمِيعَادَ ﴿٢١﴾

But for them who fear their Lord there are lofty mansions built over lofty mansions, beneath which rivers flow. Allah has made that promise; and Allah breaks not His promise. (39:21)



يَوْمَ تَرَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ يَسْعَى نُورُهُمْ بَيْنَ أَيْدِيهِمْ وَبِأَيْمَانِهِمْ  
 بُشْرًا لَكُمْ الْيَوْمَ جَنَّاتٌ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا ذَلِكَ  
 هُوَ الْفَوْزُ الْعَظِيمُ

And think of the day when thou wilt see the believing men and the believing women, their light running before them and on their right hands, and it will be said to them, *Glad tidings for you this day! Gardens through which streams flow, wherein you will abide. That is the supreme triumph.* (57:13)

### THOSE WHO BELIEVE WILL MEET THE LORD

كَلَّا بَلْ تُحِبُّونَ الْعَاجِلَةَ ۖ وَتَذُرُونَ الْآخِرَةَ ۚ وَجُوهٌ يَوْمَئِذٍ نَاضِرَةٌ ۖ  
 إِلَىٰ رَبِّهَا نَاظِرَةٌ ۖ وَوُجُوهٌ يَوْمَئِذٍ بِاسِرَةٍ ۖ تَنْظُرُونَ أَنْ يُفْعَلَ بِهَا فَاقِرَةٌ ۖ

You love that which is transitory; and you neglect that which is lasting. On that day some faces will be bright, looking eagerly towards their Lord; and some faces will be dismal, fearing that a back-breaking calamity would befall them. (75:21-26)

### HYPOCRITES AND THOSE WHO DISBELIEVE WILL BE PUT INTO FIRE

يَوْمَ يَقُولُ الْمُنَافِقُونَ وَالْمُنَافِقَاتُ لِلَّذِينَ  
 ءَامَنُوا انظُرُونَا نَقْتِسِسْ مِنْ نُورِكُمْ قِيلَ ارْجِعُوا وَرَاءَكُمْ فَالْتَمِسُوا نُورًا

فَضْرِبَ بَيْنَهُمْ سُورًا لَّهُ بِابْوَابٍ بَاطِنُهُ فِيهِ الرَّحْمَةُ وَظَاهِرُهُ مِنْ قِبَلِهِ  
 الْعَذَابُ ﴿٢١﴾ يُنَادُونَهُمْ أَلَمْ نَكُنْ مَعَكُمْ قَالُوا بَلَىٰ وَلَكِنَّكُمْ فَتَنْتُمْ  
 أَنْفُسَكُمْ وَتَرَبَّصْتُمْ وَارْتَبْتُمْ وَغَرَّتْكُمُ الْأَمَانِيُّ حَتَّىٰ جَاءَ أَمْرُ  
 اللَّهِ وَغَرَّكُمْ بِاللَّهِ الْغُرُورُ ﴿٢٢﴾ فَالْيَوْمَ لَا يُؤْخَذُ مِنْكُمْ فِدْيَةٌ وَلَا  
 مِنَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مَأْوَاكُمُ النَّارُ هِيَ مَوْلَاكُمْ وَبِئْسَ الْمَصِيرُ ﴿٢٣﴾

That is the day when the hypocrites, men and women, will say to those who believe: Wait a while for us that we may take light from your light. They will be told: Go back and seek for light. Then a wall will be set up between them with a door in it, on the inside of which there will be all mercy, and outside of it, in front, will appear torment. The hypocrites will call out to the believers: Were we not with you? They will answer: Indeed, but you involved yourselves in risk and you hesitated and doubted and your vain desires misled you till the decree of Allah came to pass. Thus Satan deceived you concerning Allah. So this day no ransom will be accepted from you, nor from those who disbelieved. Your abode is the Fire; that is your guardian, and an evil destination it is. (57:14-16)

### BELIEVERS WILL LIVE IN GARDENS OF ETERNITY WHILE THOSE WHO DISBELIEVE WILL BE PUT IN THE FIRE OF HELL

جَنَّاتٍ عَدْنٍ يَدْخُلُونَهَا يُحَلَّوْنَ

فِيهَا مِنْ أَسَاوِرٍ مِنْ ذَهَبٍ وَلُؤْلُؤًا وَلِبَاسُهُمْ فِيهَا حَرِيرٌ ﴿٢٣﴾



وَقَالُوا الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَذْهَبَ عَنَّا الْحَزْنَ إِنَّ رَبَّنَا لَغَفُورٌ  
 شَكُورٌ ﴿٣٤﴾ الَّذِي أَهْلَنَا دَارَ الْمُقَامَةِ مِن فَضْلِهِ لَا يَمَسُّنَا  
 فِيهَا نَصَبٌ وَلَا يَمَسُّنَا فِيهَا الْغُوبُ ﴿٣٥﴾ وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا لَهُمْ  
 نَارُ جَهَنَّمَ لَا يُقْضَىٰ عَلَيْهِمْ فَيَمُوتُوا وَلَا يُخَفَّفُ عَنْهُمْ مِّنْ  
 عَذَابِهَا كَذَلِكَ نَجْزِي كُلَّ كَفُورٍ ﴿٣٦﴾ وَهُمْ يَصْطَرِحُونَ  
 فِيهَا رَبَّنَا أَخْرِجْنَا نَعْمَلْ صَالِحًا غَيْرَ الَّذِي كُنَّا نَعْمَلُ  
 أَوَلَمْ نُعَمِّرْكُم مَّا يَتَذَكَّرُ فِيهِ مَن تَذَكَّرَ وَجَاءَكُمُ النَّذِيرُ  
 فَذُوقُوا فَمَا لِلظَّالِمِينَ مِن نَّصِيرٍ ﴿٣٧﴾

Gardens of Eternity! They will enter them. They will be adorned therein with bracelets of gold, and pearls; and their garments therein will be of silk.

And they will say, *All praise belongs to Allah Who has removed grief from us. Surely, our Lord is Most Forgiving, Most Appreciating,*

*Who has, out of His bounty, settled us in the Abode of Eternity, where no toil will touch us, nor any sense of weariness affect us therein.*

*But as for those who disbelieve, for them is the fire of Hell. Death will not be decreed for them so that they may die; nor will the punishment thereof be lightened for them. Thus do We requite every ungrateful person.*

*And they will cry for help therein, O our Lord, take us out, we will do righteous works other than those we used to do. Did We not give you a life long enough so that he who would reflect could reflect therein? And there came unto you a Warner too. So taste ye the punishment; for wrongdoers have no helper. (35:34-38)*



إِنَّ جَهَنَّمَ كَانَتْ مِرْصَادًا ۝ لِلطَّٰغِيْنَ  
 مَآبًا ۝ لَّيْسَ فِيهَا أَحْقَابًا ۝ لَا يَذُوقُونَ فِيهَا بَرْدًا وَلَا شَرَابًا  
 إِلَّا أَحْمِيمًا وَغَسَّاقًا ۝ جَزَاءً وَفَاقًا ۝ إِنَّهُمْ كَانُوا  
 لَا يَرْجُونَ حِسَابًا ۝ وَكَذَّبُوا بِآيَاتِنَا كِذَّابًا ۝ وَكُلَّ شَيْءٍ  
 أَحْصَيْنَاهُ كِتَابًا ۝ فَذُوقُوا فَلَنْ نَزِيدَكُمْ إِلَّا عَذَابًا ۝  
 إِنَّ لِلْمُتَّقِينَ مَفَازًا ۝ حَدَائِقَ وَأَعْنَابًا ۝ وَكَوَاعِبَ أَتْرَابًا ۝ وَكَأْسًا  
 دِهَاقًا ۝ لَا يَسْمَعُونَ فِيهَا لَغْوًا وَلَا كِذَّابًا ۝ جَزَاءً مِّن رَّبِّكَ عَطَاءً حِسَابًا ۝

Surely, hell lies in wait, a resort for the rebellious, who will tarry therein for ages.

They will taste therein neither coolness nor any pleasant drink except boiling water and a stinking fluid - a meet requital.

Verily, they feared not the reckoning, And rejected Our Signs totally.

And every thing have We recorded in a Book.

'Taste ye therefore the punishment: We will give you no increase except in torment.'

Verily, for the righteous is a triumph:

Walled gardens and grape-vines, And young maidens of equal age, And overflowing cups.

Therein they will hear no idle talk nor lying: A recompense from thy Lord, a gift in proportion to their works.

(78:22-37)

يَوْمَئِذٍ تُعْرَضُونَ لَا تَخْفَىٰ مِنكُمْ خَافِيَةٌ ۝ فَأَمَّا مَنْ أُوتِيَ  
 كِتَابَهُ بِيَمِينِهِ ۖ فَيَقُولُ هَٰؤُلَاءِ مِمَّا قُرِئَ وَأَكْتَبِيهِ ۝ إِنِّي ظَنَنْتُ أَنِّي مُلَاقٍ  
 حِسَابِيَّةٍ ۝ فَهُوَ فِي عِيشَةٍ رَّاضِيَةٍ ۝ فِي جَنَّةٍ عَالِيَةٍ ۝

قُطُوفُهَا دَانِيَةٌ ﴿١٠١﴾ كُلُوا وَاشْرَبُوا هَنِيئًا بِمَا أَسْلَفْتُمْ فِي الْأَيَّامِ  
 الْخَالِيَةِ ﴿١٠٢﴾ وَأَمَّا مَنْ أُوتِيَ كِتَابَهُ بِشِمَالِهِ فَيَقُولُ يَا لَيْتَنِي لَمْ أُوتِ كِتَابِيهِ  
 ﴿١٠٣﴾ وَلَمْ أَذْرَ مَا حَسَابِيهِ ﴿١٠٤﴾ يَلْتَمِسُهَا كَانَتْ الْقَاضِيَةَ ﴿١٠٥﴾ مَا أَغْنَىٰ  
 عَنِّي مَالِيهِ ﴿١٠٦﴾ هَلَكَ عَنِّي سُلْطَانِيهِ ﴿١٠٧﴾ خُدُوهُ فَغُلُوهُ ﴿١٠٨﴾ ثُمَّ الْجَحِيمَ  
 صَلُّوهُ ﴿١٠٩﴾ ثُمَّ فِي سِلْسِلَةٍ ذَرْعُهَا سَبْعُونَ ذِرَاعًا فَاسْلُكُوهُ ﴿١١٠﴾ إِنَّهُ  
 كَانَ لَا يُؤْمِنُ بِاللَّهِ الْعَظِيمِ ﴿١١١﴾ وَلَا يَحْضُرُ عَلَىٰ طَعَامِ الْمَسْكِينِ ﴿١١٢﴾  
 فَلَيْسَ لَهُ الْيَوْمَ هُنَاهُمْ مَحْجَمٌ ﴿١١٣﴾ وَلَا طَعَامٌ إِلَّا مِنْ غَسَلِينَ ﴿١١٤﴾ لَا يَأْكُلُهُ  
 إِلَّا الْخَاطِئُونَ ﴿١١٥﴾

On that day you will be presented before God; and none of your secrets will remain hidden.

Then, as for him who is given his record in his right hand, he will say, *Come, read my record.*

*Surely, I knew that I would meet by reckoning.*

So he will have a delightful life, in a lofty Garden,

Whereof clusters of fruit will be within easy reach.

Eat and drink joyfully because of the good deeds you did in days gone by.

But as for him who is given his record in his left hand, he will say, *O would that I had not been given my record! Nor known what my reckoning was!*

*O would that death had made an end of me!*

*My wealth has been of no avail to me.*

*My power has perished from me.*

*Seize him and fetter him,*

*Then cast him into Hell.*

*Then put him into a chain the length of which is seventy cubits;*

*Verily, he did not believe in Allah, the Great.*

*And he did not urge the feeding of the poor.  
No friend, therefore, has he here this day;  
Nor any food save blood mixed with water,  
Which none but the sinners eat.* (69:19-38)

### **PUNISHMENT IN THE HEREAFTER WILL BE GREATER THAN THE PUNISHMENT IN THIS LIFE**

كَذَّبَ الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ فَأَنْتَهُمُ الْعَذَابُ مِنْ حَيْثُ  
لَا يَشْعُرُونَ ﴿٦٥﴾ فَأَذَاقَهُمُ اللَّهُ الْخِزْيَ فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَلِعَذَابُ  
الْآخِرَةِ أَكْبَرُ لَوْ كَانُوا يَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٦٦﴾

Those who were before them rejected Our Messengers, so the punishment came upon them whence they knew not. So Allah made them taste humiliation in the present life and the punishment of the Hereafter will certainly be greater, if they but knew! (39:26,27)

### **PRESENT LIFE IS TEMPORARY WHILE LIFE HEREAFTER IS PERMANENT**

وَمَا هَذِهِ الْحَيَاةُ الدُّنْيَا إِلَّا لَهُوٌّ وَلَعِبٌ وَإِنَّ الدَّارَ الْآخِرَةَ  
لَهِيَ الْحَيَاةُ لَوْ كَانُوا يَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٦٧﴾

And this life of the world is nothing but a pastime and a sport, and the Home of the Hereafter-that indeed is Life, if they but knew! (29:65)



يَقَوْمٍ إِنَّمَا هَذِهِ الْحَيَاةُ الدُّنْيَا مَتَعٌ وَإِنَّ الْآخِرَةَ هِيَ  
 دَارُ الْقَرَارِ

O my people, this life of the world is but a temporary provision; and the Hereafter is certainly the home for permanent stay. (40:40)

### THOSE WHO STRIVE FOR GAINS IN THE HEREAFTER WILL BE FAVOURED BY ALLAH

وَمَنْ أَرَادَ الْآخِرَةَ وَسَعَىٰ لَهَا سَعْيَهَا وَهُوَ مُؤْمِنٌ فَأُولَٰئِكَ  
 كَانَ سَعْيُهُمْ مَشْكُورًا

And whoso desires the Hereafter and strives for it as it should be striven for, and he is a believer-these are the ones whose striving shall find favour with God. (17:20)

### HELL IS A TEMPORARY ABODE WHILE HEAVEN IS PERMANENT

يَوْمَ يَأْتِ لَا تَكَلُمُ نَفْسٌ  
 إِلَّا بِإِذْنِهِ فَمِنْهُمْ شَقِيٌّ وَسَعِيدٌ ﴿١﴾ فَأَمَّا الَّذِينَ شَقُوا فَمِنَ  
 النَّارِ لَهُمْ فِيهَا زَفِيرٌ وَشَهِيقٌ ﴿٢﴾ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا مَا دَامَتِ  
 السَّمَوَاتُ وَالْأَرْضُ إِلَّا مَا شَاءَ رَبُّكَ إِنَّ رَبَّكَ فَعَّالٌ لِّمَا يُرِيدُ  
 ﴿٣﴾ وَأَمَّا الَّذِينَ سَعَدُوا فَمِنَ الْجَنَّةِ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا مَا دَامَتِ

السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ إِلَّا مَا شَاءَ رَبُّكَ عَطَاءٌ غَيْرٌ مَجْذُورٍ ﴿١٠٩﴾

The day it comes, no soul shall speak except by His permission; then some of them will prove unfortunate and others fortunate.

As for those who will prove unfortunate, they shall be in the Fire, wherein there shall be for them sighing and sobbing, Abiding therein so long as the heavens and the earth endure, excepting what thy Lord may will. Surely, thy Lord does bring about what He pleases.

But as for those who will prove fortunate, they shall be in Heaven; abiding therein so long as the heavens and the earth endure, excepting what thy Lord may will—a gift that shall not be cut off. (11:106-109)

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THE HOLY QURAN TELLS US ABOUT  
**TAQDEER OR**  
**DIVINE DECREE**



## TAQDEER

A Muslim believes in TAQDEER or DIVINE DECREE. According to the teachings of the Holy Quran Taqdeer or God's Decree controls the eventual outcome of all actions.

Man is subject to Divine decree. If a human design is not in accord with the design of God, no amount of effort can succeed in putting it into effect; but when the time of the design of God arrives, that which had appeared most difficult becomes easily available.

It should be remembered that though everything has been determined by Divine decree, yet this does not mean that one should not strive for one's betterment or adopt means to avoid the calamities.

Divine decrees are of two types; one may be described as suspended, and other as absolute. The operation of a suspended decree may be averted by the grace of God Almighty through prayers and almsgiving. The operation of an absolute decree cannot be averted through prayer and almsgiving, though God Almighty bestows some other benefit in return for them. In some cases God Almighty causes a delay in the operation of a decree.

## THE MEANING OF TAQDEER

مَا أَصَابَ مِنْ مُصِيبَةٍ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَلَا فِي أَنْفُسِكُمْ إِلَّا فِي كِتَابٍ مِنْ قَبْلِ أَنْ نَبْرَأَهَا إِنَّ ذَلِكَ عَلَى اللَّهِ يَسِيرٌ ﴿٢٣﴾  
لِكَيْلَا تَأْسَوْا عَلَى مَا فَاتَكُمْ وَلَا تَفْرَحُوا بِمَا آتَاكُمْ

Allah says:

No calamity afflicts those on the earth or your own persons but is recorded in a Book before We make it manifest. Surely that is easy for Allah. Thus it is, so that you may not grieve over that which you miss, nor exult over that which He bestows on you. (57:23-24)

## ALLAH NEVER PUNISHES A PEOPLE UNJUSTLY

ذَلِكَ مِنْ أَنْبَاءِ الْقُرَى نَقِصُهُ عَلَيْكَ مِنْهَا قَائِمٌ وَحَصِيدٌ ﴿١﴾  
وَمَا ظَلَمْنَاهُمْ وَلَكِنْ ظَلَمُوا أَنْفُسَهُمْ فَمَا أَغْنَتْ عَنْهُمْ  
عَالِيَهُمْ الَّتِي يَدْعُونَ مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ مِنْ شَيْءٍ لَمَّا جَاءَ أَمْرُ رَبِّكَ وَمَا  
زَادُوهُمْ غَيْرَ تَتْبِيبٍ ﴿٢﴾ وَكَذَلِكَ أَخْذُ رَبِّكَ إِذَا أَخَذَ الْقُرَى  
وَهِيَ ظَالِمَةٌ إِنَّ أَخْذَهُ أَلِيمٌ شَدِيدٌ ﴿٣﴾

That is of the tidings of the ruined cities that We relate to thee; the ruins of some are visible and others have been obliterated altogether.

And We did not wrong them, but they wronged them-

selves; and their gods on whom they called instead of Allah were of no avail to them at all when the command of thy Lord came; and they added to them naught but perdition.

Such is the grasp of thy Lord when He seizes the cities while they are doing wrong. Surely, His grasp is grievous and severe. (11:101-103)

## NO PEOPLE CAN ALTER THE TIME OF THEIR DECREED DESTINY

مَا تَسْبِقُ مِنْ أُمَّةٍ أَجْلَهَا وَمَا يَسْتَخِرُونَ ﴿٣٤﴾

No people can go ahead of their appointed time, nor can they remain behind it. (23:44)

وَلِكُلِّ أُمَّةٍ أَجَلٌ فَإِذَا جَاءَ أَجْلُهُمْ لَا يَسْتَأْخِرُونَ سَاعَةً  
وَلَا يَسْتَقْدِمُونَ ﴿٣٥﴾

And for every people there is a term, and when their term arrives, they cannot tarry behind a single hour, nor can they get ahead of it. (7:35)

وَلَوْ يَرَوْا إِذْ أَخَذَ اللَّهُ النَّاسَ بِظُلْمِهِمْ مَا تَرَكَ عَلَيْهَا مِنْ دَابَّةٍ وَلَكِنْ  
يُؤَخِّرُهُمْ إِلَىٰ أَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّىٰ فَإِذَا جَاءَ أَجْلُهُمْ لَا يَسْتَأْخِرُونَ  
سَاعَةً وَلَا يَسْتَقْدِمُونَ ﴿٦١﴾

And if Allah were to punish people for their wrong doings, He would not spare a living creature on the earth, but He grants them respite till an appointed term that they may make amends. When their time for punishment



arrives they cannot tarry a single hour nor can they go ahead. (16:62)

## ALLAH HAS IMPOSED LIMITS ON ALL THINGS

وَخَلَقَ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ فَقَدَرَهُ نَقْدِيرًا ﴿٣﴾

And He has created everything and has determined its measure. (25:3)

قَدْ جَعَلَ اللَّهُ لِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدْرًا ﴿٣﴾

For everything Allah has appointed a measure. (65:4)

## A PERSON WILL GET WHAT HE STRIVES FOR

أَلَا نَزِرُ وَازِرَةٌ وِزْرَ أُخْرَىٰ ﴿٣٩﴾ وَأَنْ لَيْسَ لِلْإِنْسَانِ إِلَّا مَا سَعَىٰ ﴿٤٠﴾

That no bearer of burden shall bear the burden of another and that man will have nothing but what he strives for. (53:39-40)

## MAN, HIMSELF, IS RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS ILL FATE

مَا أَصَابَكَ مِنْ حَسَنَةٍ فَمِنَ اللَّهِ وَمَا أَصَابَكَ مِنْ سَيِّئَةٍ فَمِنْ نَفْسِكَ ﴿٤٠﴾

Allah says:

Whatever of good comes to thee is from Allah; and whatever of evil befalls thee is from thyself. (4:80)

إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَظْلِمُ النَّاسَ شَيْئًا وَلَكِنَّ النَّاسَ أَنفُسَهُمْ  
يَظْلِمُونَ ﴿٤٤﴾

Certainly Allah wrongs not people at all, but people wrong their own souls. (10:45)

كُلُّ نَفْسٍ بِمَا كَسَبَتْ رَهِينَةٌ ﴿٧٤﴾

Every soul is pledged for what it has earned. (74:39)

**XI**

**THE HOLY QURAN TELLS US ABOUT**

**THE RELIGION OF  
ISLAM.**



## ISLAM

The purpose of religion is that man should obtain deliverance from his passions and should develop personal love for God Almighty.

Such love of God is the paradise which will appear in diverse shapes in the Hereafter. To be unaware of the true God and to keep away from Him and not to have any love for Him is the Hell which will appear in diverse shapes in the Hereafter. Thus the true purpose of religion is to have full faith in Allah.

Islam is such a religion. It presents a living God while all other religions believe in God which according to them is not living any more. It is such a blessed, and God indicating religion that if a person follows it truly and acts upon the teachings, guidance and admonition that are contained in the Holy Word of God Almighty, the Holy Quran, he would see God in this very life. For the recognition of God who is hidden from the sight of the world behind a thousand screens, there is no other means except the teaching of the Quran. The Holy Quran guides towards God Almighty through reason and heavenly Signs in a very easy manner. It comprehends a blessing and a magnetic power which draws a seeker of God, every moment towards God and bestows light and comfort and satisfaction.

Islam is a religion which is comprehensive, perfect, complete and free from every defect in its doctrine, teachings and commandments.

A person can be held to be a Muslim when the whole of his being together with all his faculties, physical and spiritual, is devoted to God Almighty, and the trusts that

are committed to him by God Almighty are rendered back to the True Giver. He should demonstrate his being a Muslim not only doctrinally but also in practice. In other words, a person claiming to be a Muslim should prove that his hands, feet, heart, mind, his reason, understanding, anger, compassion, meekness, knowledge, all his physical and spiritual faculties, his honour, property, comfort, delight and whatever pertains to him from the top of his head to the soles of his feet, together with his motives, fears and passions have all been subordinated to Almighty God as a person's limbs are subordinated to him.

## ISLAM IS THE TRUE RELIGION

إِنَّ الدِّينَ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ الْإِسْلَامُ

Surely, the true religion with Allah is Islam. (3:20)

## THOSE WHO FOLLOW ISLAM WILL GET GREAT REWARD FROM ALLAH

إِنَّ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ  
وَالْقَانِنِينَ وَالْقَانِنَاتِ وَالصَّادِقِينَ وَالصَّادِقَاتِ وَالصَّابِرِينَ  
وَالصَّابِرَاتِ وَالْخَاشِعِينَ وَالْخَاشِعَاتِ وَالْمُتَصَدِّقِينَ  
وَالْمُتَصَدِّقَاتِ وَالصَّامِتِينَ وَالصَّامِتَاتِ وَالْحَافِظِينَ  
فُرُوجَهُمْ وَالْحَافِظَاتِ وَالذَّاكِرِينَ اللَّهَ كَثِيرًا  
وَالذَّاكِرَاتِ أَعَدَّ اللَّهُ لَهُمْ مَغْفِرَةً وَأَجْرًا عَظِيمًا ﴿٦٦﴾

Surely, men who submit themselves to *God* and women who submit themselves to *Him* and believing men and believing women, and obedient men and obedient women and truthful men and truthful women, and men steadfast in their faith and steadfast women, and men who are humble and women who are humble, and men who give alms and women who give alms, and men who fast and women who fast and men who guard their chastity and women who guard their chastity, and men who remem-



ber Allah much and women who remember *Him*-Allah has prepared for *all* of them forgiveness and a great reward. (33:36)

بَلَىٰ مَنْ أَسْلَمَ وَجْهَهُ لِلَّهِ وَهُوَ مُحْسِنٌ فَلَهُ أَجْرُهُ عِنْدَ رَبِّهِ  
وَلَا خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُونَ

The truth is that whoever submits himself completely to the Will of Allah and acts righteously, shall have his reward with his Lord. No fear shall come upon such, nor shall they grieve. (2:113)

**SPIRITUAL RANKS e.g., THE  
PROPHETHOOD, THE TRUTHFULNESS, THE  
MARTYRDOM AND THE RIGHTEOUSNESS  
CAN BE ATTAINED BY FOLLOWING ISLAM**

وَمَنْ يُطِيعِ اللَّهَ وَالرَّسُولَ فَأُولَٰئِكَ مَعَ الَّذِينَ أَنْعَمَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِمْ  
مِنَ النَّبِيِّينَ وَالصِّدِّيقِينَ وَالشُّهَدَاءِ وَالصَّالِحِينَ وَحَسُنَ  
أُولَٰئِكَ رَفِيقًا

And whoso obeys Allah and this Messenger of *His* shall be among those on whom Allah has bestowed His blessings, namely, the Prophets, the Truthful, the Martyrs, and the Righteous. And excellent companions are these. (4:70)

## ALLAH IS THE FRIEND OF THE BELIEVERS

اللَّهُ وَلِيُّ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا يُخْرِجُهُم مِّنَ الظُّلُمَاتِ إِلَى النُّورِ  
 وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا أَوْلِيَاؤُهُمُ الطَّاغُوتُ يُخْرِجُونَهُم مِّنَ  
 النُّورِ إِلَى الظُّلُمَاتِ أُولَئِكَ أَصْحَابُ النَّارِ هُمْ فِيهَا  
 خَالِدُونَ

Allah is the Friend of those who believe. He brings them out of every kind of darkness into light. Those who disbelieve, their friends are those who hinder people from following the right path; they bring them out of light into every kind of darkness. These are the inmates of the Fire; therein shall they abide. (2:258)

## ISLAM IS THE COMPLETE RELIGION

الْيَوْمَ أَكْمَلْتُ لَكُمْ دِينَكُمْ وَأَتَمَمْتُ عَلَيْكُمْ نِعْمَتِي وَرَضِيتُ  
 لَكُمُ الْإِسْلَامَ دِينًا

This day I have perfected your religion for you and completed My favour upon you and have chosen for you Islam as religion. (5:4)

## THOSE WHO FOLLOW THE GUIDANCE WILL PROSPER

الَّذِينَ يُؤْمِنُونَ بِالْغَيْبِ وَيُقِيمُونَ الصَّلَاةَ وَمِمَّا رَزَقْنَاهُمْ يُنْفِقُونَ ﴿٤﴾  
 وَالَّذِينَ يُؤْمِنُونَ بِمَا أُنزِلَ إِلَيْكَ وَمَا أُنزِلَ مِنْ قَبْلِكَ وَبِالْآخِرَةِ هُمْ  
 يُوقِنُونَ ﴿٥﴾ أُولَئِكَ عَلَى هُدًى مِنْ رَبِّهِمْ وَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ  
 الْمُفْلِحُونَ ﴿٦﴾

Those who believe in the unseen and observe Prayer, and spend out of what We have provided for them;

And who believe in that which has been revealed to thee, and that which was revealed before thee, and they have firm faith in what is *yet* to come.

It is they who follow the guidance of their Lord and it is they who shall prosper. (2:4-6)

## ISLAM IS THE ONLY ACCEPTABLE RELIGION

وَمَنْ يَبْتَغِ غَيْرَ الْإِسْلَامِ دِينًا فَلَنْ يُقْبَلَ مِنْهُ وَهُوَ فِي الْآخِرَةِ  
 مِنَ الْخَاسِرِينَ ﴿٦٠﴾



And whoso seeks a religion other than Islam, it shall not be accepted from him, and in the life to come he shall be among the losers. (3:86)

## ALLAH GAVE THE NAME *ISLAM* TO THIS RELIGION

وَجَاهِدُوا فِي اللَّهِ حَقَّ جِهَادِهِ ۗ هُوَ اجْتَبَاكُمْ وَمَا جَعَلَ عَلَيْكُمْ فِي الدِّينِ مِنْ حَرَجٍ ۗ مِلَّةَ أَبِيكُمْ إِبْرَاهِيمَ ۗ هُوَ سَمَّاكُمُ الْمُسْلِمِينَ مِنْ قَبْلُ وَفِي هَذَا لِيَكُونَ الرَّسُولُ شَهِيدًا عَلَيْكُمْ وَتَكُونُوا شُهَدَاءَ عَلَى النَّاسِ فَأَقِيمُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَآتُوا الزَّكَاةَ وَاعْتَصِمُوا بِاللَّهِ هُوَ مَوْلَاكُمْ فَنِعْمَ الْمَوْلَىٰ وَنِعْمَ النَّصِيرُ ﴿٢٢٠﴾

And strive in the cause of Allah as it behoves you to strive for it. He has chosen you, and has laid no hardship upon you in religion; *so follow* the faith of your father Abraham; He (God) named you Muslims *both* before and in this *Book*, so that the Messenger may be a witness over you, and that you may be witnesses over mankind. Therefore observe Prayer and pay the Zakat, and hold fast to Allah. He is your Master. An excellent Master and an excellent Helper! (22:79)

## ISLAM IS THE STRAIGHT PATH

وَأَنَّ هَذَا صِرَاطٌ مُسْتَقِيمٌ فَاتَّبِعُوهُ وَلَا تَتَّبِعُوا السُّبُلَ

فَنفَرِّقْ بَيْنَكُمْ عَنْ سَبِيلِهِ ۚ ذَٰلِكُمْ وَصَّيْنَاكُمْ بِهِ ۚ لَعَلَّكُمْ  
تَتَّقُونَ ﴿٦٥٤﴾

He has also enjoined: This is My straight path; so follow it. Follow not diverse ways lest they lead you away from His way. That is what He has enjoined upon you that you may safeguard yourselves. (6:154)

### A MUSLIM SHOULD BELIEVE IN ALLAH, HIS ANGELS, HIS BOOKS, HIS MESSENGERS AND THE LAST DAY.

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا ءَامِنُوا بِاللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ ءَ وَالْكِتَابِ الَّذِي  
نَزَّلَ عَلَىٰ رَسُولِهِ ءَ وَالْكِتَابِ الَّذِي نَزَّلَ مِن قَبْلُ ۚ وَمَنْ  
يَكْفُرْ بِاللَّهِ وَمَلَائِكَتِهِ ءَ وَكُتُبِهِ ءَ وَرُسُلِهِ ءَ وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ فَقَدْ  
ضَلَّ ضَلًّا بَعِيدًا ﴿١٣٧﴾

O! you who believe, have firm faith in Allah and His Messenger, and in the Book which He has revealed to His Messenger, and the Book which He revealed before it. Whoso disbelieves in Allah, and His angels, and His Books and His Messengers, and the Last Day, has surely strayed far away. (4:137)

## PREACHING OF ISLAM IS OBLIGATORY ON MUSLIMS

وَمَا كَانَتِ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ لِيَنْفِرُوا كَافَّةً فَلَوْلَا نَفَرَ مِنْ كُلِّ فِرْقَةٍ مِنْهُمْ طَائِفَةٌ لِيَتَفَقَّهُوا فِي الدِّينِ وَلِيُنذِرُوا قَوْمَهُمْ إِذَا رَجَعُوا إِلَيْهِمْ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَحْذَرُونَ ﴿٩٢﴾

It is not possible for the believers to go forth all together to obtain religious instruction. Why, then does not a party from every section of them go forth that they may be fully instructed in religion, and that they may warn their people when they return to them, so that they may guard against ignorance? (9:122)

وَلْتَكُنْ مِنْكُمْ أُمَّةٌ يَدْعُونَ إِلَى الْخَيْرِ وَيَأْمُرُونَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَيَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْمُفْلِحُونَ ﴿١٠٥﴾

And let there be among you a body of men who should invite to goodness, and enjoin equity and forbid evil. And it is they who shall prosper. (3:105)

## THERE IS NO COMPULSION IN RELIGION

لَا إِكْرَاهَ فِي الدِّينِ قَدْ تَبَيَّنَ الرُّشْدُ مِنَ الْغَيِّ فَمَنْ يَكْفُرْ بِالطَّاغُوتِ وَيُؤْمِنْ بِاللَّهِ فَقَدِ اسْتَمْسَكَ بِالْعُرْوَةِ الْوُثْقَى لَا انْفِصَامَ لَهَا وَاللَّهُ سَمِيعٌ عَلِيمٌ ﴿١٠٣﴾



There shall be no compulsion in religion, for guidance and error have been clearly distinguished; then whoso rejects those who hinder people from following the right path and believes in Allah, has surely taken hold of a strong and dependable support which will never break. Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. (2:257)

وَقُلِ الْحَقُّ مِنْ رَبِّكُمْ فَمَنْ شَاءَ فَلْيُؤْمِنْ وَمَنْ شَاءَ فَلْيُكْفُرْ  
إِنَّا أَعْتَدْنَا لِلظَّالِمِينَ نَارًا أَحَاطَ بِهِمْ سُرَادِقُهَا

And say, *It is the truth from your Lord; then let him who will, believe, and let him who will, disbelieve.* Verily, We have prepared for the wrongdoers a fire whose flaming canopy shall enclose them. (18:30)

### MUSLIMS SHOULD BE KIND TO THEIR ENEMIES AS WELL

لَا يَنْهَى اللَّهُ عَنِ الَّذِينَ لَمْ يُقَاتِلُواكُمْ فِي الدِّينِ وَلَمْ يُخْرِجُواكُمْ مِنْ  
دِينِكُمْ أَنْ تَبَرُّوهُمْ وَتُقْسِطُوا إِلَيْهِمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُقْسِطِينَ

Allah does not forbid you to be kind and *to act* equitably towards those who have *not* fought against you because of your religion, and who have not driven you forth from *your* homes. Surely, Allah loves those who are equitable. (60:9)

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# GLOSSARY

## A

- ALL-AWARE: One who knows everything.  
 ABODE: Dwelling place. residence, place to live  
 ARMOUR: Protective clothing worn in fighting. Defensive arms.  
 ABOMINATION: Disgusting act: great dislike.  
 ADORNMENT: Beauty  
 ABUNDANT: Plentiful  
 ASSERT: Maintain claim to, declare  
 ALMSGIVING: Charity, zakat.  
 ARROGANT: Haughty, too proud.  
 ADMONITION: Warning: reproof: caution  
 ADVERSITY: Misfortune: trouble: calamity.  
 ALL-SUSTAINING: There is nothing that supports Him.  
 ABASE: To humiliate, to degrade.  
 AMORPHOUS: Without any shape.  
 AUGMENTED: To make it larger by adding something to it.

## B

- BARTER: Exchange  
 BOWEL: Inner most parts.  
 BOUNTY: Gift: reward  
 BOUNTIFUL: Liberal in giving, generous.  
 BESOUGHT OF ALL: The one who is asked earnestly for; without whom nothing is accomplished.  
 BOASTFUL: One who brags about: One who is proud of.



**BEGET:** To produce children.  
**BEGOTTEN:** Produced as a child.  
**BENIGNANT:** Gentle, Favourable: Gracious.  
**BESTOWER:** One who gives.  
**BEHOVES:** Is right for, is advantageous for  
**BENEFICENT:** Kind, helpful.

## C

**CALAMITY:** Disaster  
**CHASTITY:** Purity  
**COMPASSIONATE:** One who shows pity.  
**CONSORT:** A partner: a spouse: a husband or wife.  
**CLOT:** Lump of blood.  
**CELESTIAL:** Heavenly bodies.  
**CHASTISEMENT:** Severe punishment.  
**COVENANT:** Contract, agreement.  
**CONJECTURE:** A guess.

## D

**DEVOUR:** Eat greedily.  
**DIVERSE:** Of different kinds.  
**DESPAIR:** Lose hope.

## E

**ENCOMPASS:** To surround, to contain.  
**ENJOIN:** Command.  
**ETERNAL:** Everlasting; That has always existed and will always exist.

**EXALT:** To raise in rank. To raise high.  
**EXPIATION:** Atonement, to pay penalty of  
**EXHORT:** To urge, admonish earnestly.  
**EXHORTATION:** Act of urging.  
**ELOQUENT:** Fluent, elegant.  
**EXPOUND:** Explain, interpret, unfold.  
**EQUITABLE:** Fair, just.  
**EXPOSITION:** Detailed explanation  
**EXULT:** To be joyful or jubilant

### F

**FETTER:** Shackle, put chains to feet

### G

**GRACIOUS:** Kind, Merciful, Full of Grace: One who for-  
 gives easily.  
**GLAD TIDINGS:** Happy News.  
**GORED:** Pierced with horn.  
**GARMENTS:** Clothes

### H

**HAUGHTILY:** With pride, with arrogance.  
**HUES:** Colours, shades, Tints.  
**HUMILITY:** Humbleness, Meekness.  
**HUMILIATE:** To degrade.  
**HOSTS:** Large number.  
**HYPOCRITE:** Those who pretend to have beliefs that they  
 do not really have.

**I**

**IMMACULATE:** Pure, spotless

**IMPEDIMENT:** Defect, stammer.

**IMPERISHABLE:** That cannot perish, Everlasting.

**INCOMPREHENSIBLE:** Which cannot be understood.

**INEXHAUSTIBLE:** That cannot be exhausted.

**INVIGORATING:** The one which gives energy

**INTERCESSION:** To persuade God to be merciful.

**INVOKE:** Call on in prayer

**INDISPENSABLE:** Necessary, That cannot be evaded.

**INMATES:** Occupants.

**INDULGENT:** One who overlooks faults.

**INSANITY:** Madness.

**K**

**KINDRED:** Relations.

**M**

**MANIFEST:** Obvious, Clearly visible.

**MIGHTY:** Very strong, Powerful.

**O**

**OBLITERATE:** To destroy completely.

**OPPRESS:** Treat with gross injustice. To harass.

**ORBIT:** The path of a planet.

**ORIGINATOR:** One who produces.



**OUTSTRIP:** Pass in running.  
**ORDINANCE:** Rule: Decree  
**OFFSPRING:** Children, descendants.

## P

**PALTRY:** Very small  
**PALATABLE:** Pleasant to taste, agreeable.  
**PARCHED:** Hot and very dry.  
**PASTIME:** Recreation, sport.  
**PERVERT:** Interpret wrongly; change.  
**PRECINCTS:** The whole area, land and buildings.  
**POSTERITY:** Later generations, descendants.  
**PROGENY:** Offspring, descendants.  
**PROSPERITY:** Increase in wealth, Success.  
**PROVISION:** Supply of Food and drink .  
**PRIVY:** Lavatory.  
**PERDITION;** Eternal punishment; hell.

## R

**RANCOUR:** Malice; Hatred; Bitterness.  
**REPOSITORY:** Place where things are stored,  
**RESERVOIR:** Store of water.  
**RETRIBUTION:** Compensation for evil done.  
**RECKONING:** Calculation.  
**REPROACH:** To censure; to blame.  
**REVILE:** Insult.  
**REND ASUNDER:** Tear apart in pieces.  
**REBUKE:** Speak severely  
**REQUITE:** Give in return reward  
**RESPITE;** A pause, a temporary delay.

REJOICE: Be glad.

RESTRAIN: Keep under control

## S

SMITE: Hit hard.

STAKES: Pegs; Posts.

SUSTAINER: Provider of food and everything.

SELF SUBSISTING: Continue to exist on His own. Who live by Himself without any support.

SPERM: Fluid from male which fertilizes female eggs.

SOVEREIGN: Supreme ruler.

SPROUT: Begin to grow, to push out new shoots; to bud.

SUPEREROGATORY: Doing more than required. Additional.

SUBDUER: Conqueror, the one who overcomes.

STRIVE: Try hard.

SUPPLICANT: A person who prays to God humbly.

STEADFAST: Firm

SCOFF: Mock

SPOUSE: Husband or wife.

SORCERER: A person who uses magic powers; A wizard.

## T

TRELLISES: Structure of light wooden or metal bars, used as support for climbing plants.

TRANSGRESSOR: Offender, one who commits sin.

TRANQUILLITY: Calmness, peace.

TRANSCRIBE: Copy out, reproduce in writing

TRIUMPH: Victory.

**TRANSITORY:** Temporary.  
**TERRESTRIAL:** Earthly bodies.  
**TREACHERY:** Deception.

**U**

**UNLETTERED:** Illiterate.  
**UNGRATEFUL:** Those who are not thankful.

**V**

**VIRTUOUS:** Pious

**W**

**WAY FAREER:** Traveller.  
**WOE:** An expression, expressing grief.  
**WRONGDOER:** A person who does things that are immoral or illegal.  
**WEARINESS:** Tiredness.