

89. Allāh has prepared for them gardens beneath which rivers flow, wherein they will abide eternally. That is the great attainment.
90. And those with excuses among the bedouins came to be permitted [to remain], and they who had lied⁴⁵⁷ to Allāh and His Messenger sat [at home]. There will strike those who disbelieved among them a painful punishment.
91. There is not upon the weak or upon the ill or upon those who do not find anything to spend any discomfort [i.e., guilt] when they are sincere to Allāh and His Messenger. There is not upon the doers of good any cause [for blame]. And Allāh is Forgiving and Merciful.
92. Nor [is there blame] upon those who, when they came to you that you might give them mounts, you said, "I can find nothing for you to ride upon." They turned back while their eyes overflowed with tears out of grief that they could not find something to spend [for the cause of Allāh].
93. The cause [for blame] is only upon those who ask permission of you while they are rich. They are satisfied to be with those who stay behind, and Allāh has sealed over their hearts, so they do not know.
94. They will make excuses to you when you have returned to them. Say, "Make no excuse – never will we believe you. Allāh has already informed us of your news [i.e., affair]. And Allāh will observe your deeds, and [so will] His Messenger; then you will be taken back to the Knower of the unseen and the witnessed,⁴⁵⁸ and He will inform you of what you used to do."
95. They will swear by Allāh to you when you return to them that you would leave them alone. So leave them alone; indeed they are evil; and their refuge is Hell as recompense for what they had been earning.
96. They swear to you so that you might be satisfied with them.

⁴⁵⁷i.e., claimed faith.

⁴⁵⁸See footnotes to 6:73.

But if you should be satisfied with them – indeed, Allāh is not satisfied with a defiantly disobedient people.

97. The bedouins are stronger in disbelief and hypocrisy and more likely not to know the limits of what [laws] Allāh has revealed to His Messenger. And Allāh is Knowing and Wise.
98. And among the bedouins are some who consider what they spend as a loss⁴⁵⁹ and await for you turns of misfortune. Upon them will be a misfortune of evil. And Allāh is Hearing and Knowing.
99. But among the bedouins are some who believe in Allāh and the Last Day and consider what they spend as means of nearness to Allāh and of [obtaining] invocations of the Messenger. Unquestionably, it is a means of nearness for them. Allāh will admit them to His mercy. Indeed, Allāh is Forgiving and Merciful.
100. And the first forerunners [in the faith] among the Muhājireen⁴⁶⁰ and the Anṣār⁴⁶¹ and those who followed them with good conduct – Allāh is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him, and He has prepared for them gardens beneath which rivers flow, wherein they will abide forever. That is the great attainment.
101. And among those around you of the bedouins are hypocrites, and [also] from the people of Madīnah. They have become accustomed to hypocrisy. You, [O Muḥammad], do not know them, [but] We know them. We will punish them twice [in this world]; then they will be returned to a great punishment.
102. And [there are] others who have acknowledged their sins. They had mixed [i.e., polluted] a righteous deed with another

⁴⁵⁹i.e., a fine or penalty.

⁴⁶⁰Those who emigrated from Makkah and settled in Madīnah for the cause of Islām.

⁴⁶¹The inhabitants of Madīnah who had accepted Islām and assisted the Prophet (ﷺ) and other emigrants upon their arrival there.