

29. Those who have believed and done righteous deeds – a good state is theirs and a good return.
30. Thus have We sent you to a community before which [other] communities have passed on so you might recite to them that which We revealed to you, while they disbelieve in the Most Merciful. Say, "He is my Lord; there is no deity except Him. Upon Him I rely, and to Him is my return."
31. And if there was any qur'ān [i.e., recitation] by which the mountains would be removed or the earth would be broken apart or the dead would be made to speak,⁵⁸⁷ [it would be this Qur'ān], but to Allāh belongs the affair entirely. Then have those who believed not accepted that had Allāh willed, He would have guided the people, all of them? And those who disbelieve do not cease to be struck, for what they have done, by calamity – or it will descend near their home – until there comes the promise of Allāh. Indeed, Allāh does not fail in [His] promise.
32. And already were [other] messengers ridiculed before you, and I extended the time of those who disbelieved; then I seized them, and how [terrible] was My penalty.
33. Then is He who is a maintainer of every soul, [knowing] what it has earned, [like any other]? But to Allāh they have attributed partners. Say, "Name them. Or do you inform Him of that⁵⁸⁸ which He knows not upon the earth or of what is apparent [i.e., alleged] of speech?"⁵⁸⁹ Rather, their [own] plan has been made attractive to those who disbelieve, and they have been averted from the way. And whomever Allāh leaves astray – there will be for him no guide.
34. For them will be punishment in the life of [this] world, and the punishment of the Hereafter is more severe. And they will not have from Allāh any protector.

⁵⁸⁷ As suggested by the disbelievers.

⁵⁸⁸ i.e., other "deities."

⁵⁸⁹ i.e., your attributing of divinity to other than Allāh.

35. The example [i.e., description] of Paradise, which the righteous have been promised, is [that] beneath it rivers flow. Its fruit is lasting, and its shade. That is the consequence for the righteous, and the consequence for the disbelievers is the Fire.
36. And [the believers among] those to whom We have given the [previous] Scripture rejoice at what has been revealed to you, [O Muḥammad], but among the [opposing] factions are those who deny part of it [i.e., the Qur’ān]. Say, "I have only been commanded to worship Allāh and not associate [anything] with Him. To Him I invite, and to Him is my return."
37. And thus We have revealed it as an Arabic legislation.⁵⁹⁰ And if you should follow their inclinations after what has come to you of knowledge, you would not have against Allāh any ally or any protector.
38. And We have already sent messengers before you and assigned to them wives and descendants. And it was not for a messenger to come with a sign except by permission of Allāh. For every term is a decree.
39. Allāh eliminates what He wills or confirms, and with Him is the Mother of the Book.⁵⁹¹
40. And whether We show you part of what We promise them or take you in death, upon you is only the [duty of] notification, and upon Us is the account.
41. Have they not seen that We set upon the land, reducing it from its borders?⁵⁹² And Allāh decides; there is no adjuster of His decision. And He is swift in account.
42. And those before them had plotted, but to Allāh belongs the plan entirely. He knows what every soul earns, and the disbelievers will know for whom is the final home.

⁵⁹⁰ i.e., revealed in the Arabic language.

⁵⁹¹ The Preserved Slate (*al-Lawḥ al-Mahfūth*), in which is inscribed the original of every scripture revealed by Allāh.

⁵⁹² Referring to the spread of Islām through Allāh's Prophet (ﷺ) and the diminishing of those areas controlled by the polytheists.