43. And those who have disbelieved say, "You are not a messenger." Say, [O Muhammad], "Sufficient is Allāh as Witness between me and you, and [the witness of] whoever has knowledge of the Scripture."<sup>593</sup>

<sup>593</sup> i.e., those who recognize the truth through their knowledge of previous scriptures.

## Sūrah Ibrāheem<sup>594</sup>

## Bismillāhir-Rahmānir-Raheem

- 1. Alif. Lām. Rā.<sup>595</sup> [This is] a Book which We have revealed to you, [O Muhammad], that you might bring mankind out of darknesses into the light by permission of their Lord - to the path of the Exalted in Might, the Praiseworthy -
- 2. Allah. to whom belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth. And woe [i.e., destruction] to the disbelievers from a severe punishment -
- 3. The ones who prefer the worldly life over the Hereafter and avert [people] from the way of Allah, seeking to make it [seem] deviant. Those are in extreme error.
- 4. And We did not send any messenger except [speaking] in the language of his people to state clearly for them, and Allah sends astray [thereby] whom He wills<sup>596</sup> and guides whom He wills. And He is the Exalted in Might, the Wise.
- 5. And We certainly sent Moses with Our signs, [saving], "Bring out your people from darknesses into the light and remind them of the days<sup>597</sup> of Allāh." Indeed in that are signs for everyone patient and grateful.
- 6. And [recall, O Children of Israel], when Moses said to his people, "Remember the favor of Allāh upon you when He saved you from the people of Pharaoh, who were afflicting you with the worst torment and were slaughtering your [newborn] sons and keeping vour females alive. And in that was a great trial from your Lord.
- 7. And [remember] when your Lord proclaimed, 'If you are grateful, I will surely increase you [in favor]; but if you deny, indeed, My punishment is severe.'"

<sup>594</sup>*Ibrāheem*: (The Prophet) Abraham. 595See footnote to 2:1.

<sup>596</sup> i.e., those who refuse His guidance.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>597</sup>Days of blessings bestowed upon the Children of Israel. Also interpreted as days of punishment and destruction of the former nations.