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- to the often returning [to Him], Forgiving. 680
- 26. And give the relative his right, and [also] the poor and the traveler. and do not spend wastefully.681
- 27. Indeed, the wasteful are brothers of the devils, and ever has Satan been to his Lord ungrateful.
- And if you [must] turn away from them [i.e., the needy] awaiting 28. mercy from your Lord which you expect.⁶⁸² then speak to them a gentle word.
- 29. And do not make your hand [as] chained to your neck⁶⁸³ or extend it completely and [thereby] become blamed and insolvent.
- Indeed, your Lord extends provision for whom He wills and 30. restricts [it]. Indeed He is ever, concerning His servants. Acquainted and Seeing.
- 31. And do not kill your children for fear of poverty. We provide for them and for you. Indeed, their killing is ever a great sin.
- And do not approach unlawful sexual intercourse. 685 Indeed, 32. it is ever an immorality and is evil as a way.
- And do not kill the soul [i.e., person] which Allah has forbidden. 33. except by right. 686 And whoever is killed unjustly – We have given his heir authority, 687 but let him not exceed limits in [the matter of taking life. Indeed, he has been supported [by the law].
- And do not approach the property of an orphan, except in the 34. way that is best.⁶⁸⁸ until he reaches maturity. And fulfill [every]

683 i.e., refusing to spend.

 $^{^{680}\}mathrm{For}$ those who intend righteousness, hastening to repent from sins and errors committed through human weakness. Allāh (subhānahu wa ta'ālā) 681 promises forgiveness.

^{081.} i.e., on that which is unlawful or in disobedience to Allāh. 682. i.e., if you have not the means to give them at present.

i.e., avoid all situations that might possibly lead to it.

⁶⁸⁶ i.e., through legal justice or during *jihād*.

⁶⁸⁷ Grounds for legal action.

⁶⁸⁸ i.e., to improve or increase it.

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commitment. Indeed, the commitment is ever [that about which one will be] guestioned.

- 35. And give full measure when you measure, and weigh with an even [i.e., honest] balance. That is the best [way] and best in result.
- 36. And do not pursue⁶⁸⁹ that of which you have no knowledge. Indeed, the hearing, the sight and the heart – about all those [one] will be questioned.
- And do not walk upon the earth exultantly. Indeed, you will never tear the earth [apart], and you will never reach the mountains in height.⁶⁹⁰
- All that [i.e., the aforementioned] its evil is ever, in the sight of your Lord, detested.
- 39. That is from what your Lord has revealed to you, [O Muḥammad], of wisdom. And, [O mankind], do not make [as equal] with Allāh another deity, lest you be thrown into Hell, blamed and banished.
- 40. Then, has your Lord chosen you for [having] sons and taken [i.e., adopted] from among the angels daughters? Indeed, you say a grave saying.
- 41. And We have certainly diversified [the contents] in this Qur'ān that they [i.e., mankind] may be reminded, but it does not increase them [i.e., the disbelievers] except in aversion.
- Say, [O Muḥammad], "If there had been with Him [other] gods, as they say, then they [each] would have sought to the Owner of the Throne a way."⁶⁹¹
- 43. Exalted is He and high above what they say by great sublimity.
- 44. The seven heavens and the earth and whatever is in them exalt

690 Man, for all his arrogance, is yet a weak and small creature.

⁶⁸⁹ i.e., do not assume and do not say.

⁶⁹¹ To please Him, recognizing His superiority. Another interpretation is "...they would seek a way" to depose Him (subḥānahu wa ta'ālā) and take over His Throne.