

difficulty. [It is] the religion of your father, Abraham. He [i.e., Allāh] named you "Muslims" before [in former scriptures] and in this [revelation] that the Messenger may be a witness over you and you may be witnesses over the people. So establish prayer and give zakāh and hold fast to Allāh. He is your protector; and excellent is the protector, and excellent is the helper.

## *Sūrah al-Mu'minūn*<sup>881</sup>

### *Bismillāhir-Raḥmānir-Raḥeem*

1. Certainly will the believers have succeeded:
2. They who are during their prayer humbly submissive
3. And they who turn away from ill speech
4. And they who are observant of zakāh
5. And they who guard their private parts
6. Except from their wives or those their right hands possess,<sup>882</sup> for indeed, they will not be blamed –
7. But whoever seeks beyond that, then those are the transgressors –
8. And they who are to their trusts and their promises attentive
9. And they who carefully maintain their prayers –
10. Those are the inheritors
11. Who will inherit al-Firdaus.<sup>883</sup> They will abide therein eternally.
12. And certainly did We create man from an extract of clay.
13. Then We placed him as a sperm-drop<sup>884</sup> in a firm lodging [i.e., the womb].
14. Then We made the sperm-drop into a clinging clot, and We made the clot into a lump [of flesh], and We made [from] the lump, bones, and We covered the bones with flesh; then We developed him into another creation. So blessed is Allāh, the best of creators.<sup>885</sup>
15. Then indeed, after that you are to die.
16. Then indeed you, on the Day of Resurrection, will be resurrected.

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<sup>881</sup> *Al-Mu'minūn*: The Believers.

<sup>882</sup> Female slaves or captives under their ownership.

<sup>883</sup> The highest part of Paradise.

<sup>884</sup> Or "as a zygote."

<sup>885</sup> i.e., the most skillful and only true Creator.