

42. Then We produced after them other generations.
43. No nation will precede its time [of termination], nor will they remain [thereafter].
44. Then We sent Our messengers in succession. Every time there came to a nation its messenger, they denied him, so We made them follow one another [to destruction], and We made them narrations.⁸⁹¹ So away with a people who do not believe.
45. Then We sent Moses and his brother Aaron with Our signs and a clear authority
46. To Pharaoh and his establishment, but they were arrogant and were a haughty people.
47. They said, "Should we believe two men like ourselves while their people are for us in servitude?"
48. So they denied them and were of those destroyed.
49. And We certainly gave Moses the Scripture that perhaps they⁸⁹² would be guided.
50. And We made the son of Mary and his mother a sign and sheltered them within a high ground having level [areas] and flowing water.
51. [Allāh said], "O messengers, eat from the good foods and work righteousness. Indeed I, of what you do, am Knowing.
52. And indeed this, your religion, is one religion,⁸⁹³ and I am your Lord, so fear Me."
53. But they [i.e., the people] divided their religion among them into portions [i.e., sects] – each faction, in what it has,⁸⁹⁴ rejoicing.
54. So leave them in their confusion for a time.
55. Do they think that what We extend to them of wealth and children

⁸⁹¹i.e., history or lessons for mankind.

⁸⁹²The Children of Israel.

⁸⁹³See footnote to 21:92.

⁸⁹⁴Of beliefs, opinions, customs, etc.

56. Is [because] We hasten for them good things? Rather, they do not perceive.⁸⁹⁵
57. Indeed, they who are apprehensive from fear of their Lord
58. And they who believe in the signs of their Lord
59. And they who do not associate anything with their Lord
60. And they who give what they give while their hearts are fearful⁸⁹⁶ because they will be returning to their Lord –
61. It is those who hasten to good deeds, and they outstrip [others] therein.
62. And We charge no soul except [with that within] its capacity, and with Us is a record which speaks with truth; and they will not be wronged.
63. But their hearts are covered with confusion over this, and they have [evil] deeds besides that [i.e., disbelief] which they are doing,
64. Until when We seize their affluent ones with punishment,⁸⁹⁷ at once they are crying [to Allāh] for help.
65. Do not cry out today. Indeed, by Us you will not be helped.
66. My verses had already been recited to you, but you were turning back on your heels
67. In arrogance regarding it,⁸⁹⁸ conversing by night, speaking evil.
68. Then have they not reflected over the word [i.e., the Qur'ān], or has there come to them that which had not come to their forefathers?
69. Or did they not know their Messenger, so they are toward him disacknowledging?
70. Or do they say, "In him is madness"? Rather, he brought them the truth, but most of them, to the truth, are averse.

⁸⁹⁵That the good things given to them in this world are but a trial for them.

⁸⁹⁶Lest their deeds not be acceptable.

⁸⁹⁷In worldly life, before the punishment of the Hereafter. Although general, the description includes specifically the punishment of the Quraysh by famine.

⁸⁹⁸The revelation. Or "him," i.e., the Prophet (ﷺ).