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32. Those who were arrogant will say to those who were oppressed, "Did we avert you from guidance after it had come to you? Rather, you were criminals."

- 33. Those who were oppressed will say to those who were arrogant, "Rather, [it was your] conspiracy of night and day when you were ordering us to disbelieve in Allāh and attribute to Him equals." But they will [all] confide regret when they see the punishment; and We will put shackles on the necks of those who disbelieved. Will they be recompensed except for what they used to do?
- 34. And We did not send into a city any warner except that its affluent said, "Indeed we, in that with which you were sent, are dishelievers."
- 35. And they¹¹⁵⁴ said, "We are more [than the believers] in wealth and children, and we are not to be punished."
- Say, "Indeed, my Lord extends provision for whom He wills and restricts [it], but most of the people do not know."
- 37. And it is not your wealth or your children that bring you nearer to Us in position, but it is [by being] one who has believed and done righteousness. For them there will be the double reward for what they did, and they will be in the upper chambers [of Paradise], safe [and secure].
- 38. And the ones who strive against Our verses to cause [them] failure 1155 those will be brought into the punishment [to remain].
- 39. Say, "Indeed, my Lord extends provision for whom He wills of His servants and restricts [it] for him. But whatever thing you spend [in His cause] – He will compensate it; and He is the best of providers."
- 40. And [mention] the Day when He will gather them all and then say to the angels, "Did these [people] used to worship you?"

¹¹⁵⁴The affluent ones in general or the people of Makkah specifically.

¹¹⁵⁵ See footnote to 34:5.

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41. They will say, "Exalted are You! You, [O Allāh], are our benefactor excluding [i.e., not] them. Rather, they used to worship the jinn; most of them were believers in them."

- 42. But today [i.e., the Day of Judgement] you do not hold for one another [the power of] benefit or harm, and We will say to those who wronged, "Taste the punishment of the Fire, which you used to deny."
- 43. And when Our verses are recited to them as clear evidences, they say, "This is not but a man who wishes to avert you from that which your fathers were worshipping." And they say, "This is not except a lie invented." And those who disbelieve say of the truth when it has come to them, "This is not but obvious magic."
- 44. And We had not given them any scriptures which they could study, and We had not sent to them before you, [O Muḥammad], any warner.
- 45. And those before them denied, and they [i.e., the people of Makkah] have not attained a tenth of what We had given them. But they [i.e., the former peoples] denied My messengers, so how [terrible] was My reproach.
- 46. Say, "I only advise you of one [thing] that you stand for Allāh, [seeking truth] in pairs and individually, and then give thought." There is not in your companion any madness. He is only a warner to you before a severe punishment.
- Say, "Whatever payment I might have asked of you it is yours.
 My payment is only from Allāh, and He is, over all things, Witness"
- 48. Say, "Indeed, my Lord projects the truth, Knower of the unseen."
- 49. Say, "The truth has come, and falsehood can neither begin [anything] nor repeat [it]."1156

¹¹⁵⁶This expression alludes to complete inability, meaning that falsehood was abolished.