

117. And We gave them the explicit Scripture [i.e., the Torah],
118. And We guided them on the straight path.
119. And We left for them [favorable mention] among later generations:
120. "Peace upon Moses and Aaron."
121. Indeed, We thus reward the doers of good.
122. Indeed, they were of Our believing servants.
123. And indeed, Elias was from among the messengers,
124. When he said to his people, "Will you not fear Allāh?
125. Do you call upon Ba'1<sup>1217</sup> and leave the best of creators –
126. Allāh, your Lord and the Lord of your first forefathers?"
127. And they denied him, so indeed, they will be brought [for punishment],
128. Except the chosen servants of Allāh.
129. And We left for him [favorable mention] among later generations:
130. "Peace upon Elias."<sup>1218</sup>
131. Indeed, We thus reward the doers of good.
132. Indeed, he was of Our believing servants.
133. And indeed, Lot was among the messengers.
134. [So mention] when We saved him and his family, all,
135. Except an old woman [i.e., his wife] among those who remained [with the evildoers].
136. Then We destroyed the others.
137. And indeed, you pass by them in the morning
138. And at night. Then will you not use reason?
139. And indeed, Jonah was among the messengers.

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<sup>1217</sup>The name of a great idol worshipped by the people and said to mean "lord."

<sup>1218</sup>*Ilyāseen* is said by some commentators to be a plural form, meaning "Elias and those who followed him."

140. [Mention] when he ran away to the laden ship.
141. And he drew lots<sup>1219</sup> and was among the losers.
142. Then the fish swallowed him, while he was blameworthy.<sup>1220</sup>
143. And had he not been of those who exalt Allāh,
144. He would have remained inside its belly until the Day they are resurrected.<sup>1221</sup>
145. But We threw him onto the open shore while he was ill.
146. And We caused to grow over him a gourd vine.<sup>1222</sup>
147. And We sent him<sup>1223</sup> to [his people of] a hundred thousand or more.
148. And they believed, so We gave them enjoyment [of life] for a time.
149. So inquire of them, [O Muḥammad], "Does your Lord have daughters while they have sons?"<sup>1224</sup>
150. Or did We create the angels as females while they were witnesses?"
151. Unquestionably, it is out of their [invented] falsehood that they say,
152. "Allāh has begotten," and indeed, they are liars.
153. Has He chosen daughters over sons?
154. What is [wrong] with you? How do you make judgement?
155. Then will you not be reminded?

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<sup>1219</sup>To determine who would be cast overboard in order to save the other passengers. Having been overloaded, the ship was on the verge of sinking.

<sup>1220</sup>For having given up hope on his people prematurely and having left them without permission from Allāh.

<sup>1221</sup>Meaning that the belly of the fish would have become his grave.

<sup>1222</sup>Which is known to give cooling shade and to be a repellent of flies.

<sup>1223</sup>i.e., returned him thereafter.

<sup>1224</sup>The people of Makkah claimed that the angels were daughters of Allāh, yet they preferred sons for themselves.