

17. There will circulate among them young boys made eternal
18. With vessels, pitchers and a cup [of wine] from a flowing spring –
19. No headache will they have therefrom, nor will they be intoxicated –
20. And fruit of what they select
21. And the meat of fowl, from whatever they desire.
22. And [for them are] fair women with large, [beautiful] eyes,
23. The likenesses of pearls well-protected,
24. As reward for what they used to do.
25. They will not hear therein ill speech or commission of sin –
26. Only a saying [of] peace, peace.
27. The companions of the right – what are the companions of the right?
28. [They will be] among lote trees with thorns removed
29. And [banana] trees layered [with fruit]
30. And shade extended
31. And water poured out
32. And fruit, abundant [and varied],
33. Neither limited [to season] nor forbidden,
34. And [upon] beds raised high.
35. Indeed, We have produced them [i.e., the women of Paradise] in a [new] creation
36. And made them virgins,
37. Devoted [to their husbands] and of equal age,
38. For the companions of the right [who are]
39. A company of the former peoples
40. And a company of the later peoples.
41. And the companions of the left – what are the companions of the left?

42. [They will be] in scorching fire and scalding water
43. And a shade of black smoke,
44. Neither cool nor beneficial.
45. Indeed they were, before that, indulging in affluence,
46. And they used to persist in the great violation,¹⁵⁰³
47. And they used to say, "When we die and become dust and bones, are we indeed to be resurrected?"
48. And our forefathers [as well]?"
49. Say, [O Muḥammad], "Indeed, the former and later peoples
50. Are to be gathered together for the appointment of a known Day."
51. Then indeed you, O those astray [who are] deniers,
52. Will be eating from trees of zaqqūm
53. And filling with it your bellies
54. And drinking on top of it from scalding water
55. And will drink as the drinking of thirsty camels.
56. That is their accommodation on the Day of Recompense.
57. We have created you, so why do you not believe?
58. Have you seen that which you emit?¹⁵⁰⁴
59. Is it you who creates it, or are We the Creator?
60. We have decreed death among you, and We are not to be outdone
61. In that We will change your likenesses and produce you in that [form] which you do not know.¹⁵⁰⁵
62. And you have already known the first creation, so will you not remember?

1503. i.e., *shirk* (association with Allāh) or disbelief.

1504. i.e., semen, which contains the potential for human life.

1505. An alternative meaning has also been given: "...in that We will replace the likes of you [with others upon the earth] and create you [in the Hereafter] in that which you do not know."