

## *Sūrah al-Ḥadeed*<sup>1512</sup>

### *Bismillāhir-Raḥmānir-Raḥeem*

1. Whatever is in the heavens and earth exalts Allāh,<sup>1513</sup> and He is the Exalted in Might, the Wise.
2. His is the dominion of the heavens and earth. He gives life and causes death, and He is over all things competent.
3. He is the First and the Last, the Ascendant<sup>1514</sup> and the Intimate,<sup>1515</sup> and He is, of all things, Knowing.
4. It is He who created the heavens and earth in six days and then established Himself above the Throne.<sup>1516</sup> He knows what penetrates into the earth and what emerges from it and what descends from the heaven and what ascends therein; and He is with you<sup>1517</sup> wherever you are. And Allāh, of what you do, is Seeing.
5. His is the dominion of the heavens and earth. And to Allāh are returned [all] matters.
6. He causes the night to enter the day and causes the day to enter the night, and He is Knowing of that within the breasts.
7. Believe in Allāh and His Messenger and spend out of that in which He has made you successive inheritors. For those who have believed among you and spent,<sup>1518</sup> there will be a great reward.

<sup>1512</sup>*Al-Ḥadeed*: Iron.

<sup>1513</sup>By praising Him and declaring Him far above and beyond any failure or imperfection.

<sup>1514</sup>Nothing being above Him. Another meaning is "the Apparent," i.e., evident through His creation and revelation.

<sup>1515</sup>Nothing being nearer than Him by way of His knowledge. Another meaning is "the Unapparent," i.e., concealed from man's physical senses.

<sup>1516</sup>See footnote to 2:19.

<sup>1517</sup>In knowledge – observing and witnessing.

<sup>1518</sup>In ways pleasing to Allāh.

8. And why do you not believe in Allāh while the Messenger invites you to believe in your Lord and He has taken your covenant, if you should [truly] be believers?
9. It is He who sends down upon His Servant [Muḥammad (ﷺ)] verses of clear evidence that He may bring you out from darknesses into the light. And indeed, Allāh is to you Kind and Merciful.
10. And why do you not spend in the cause of Allāh while to Allāh belongs the heritage of the heavens and the earth? Not equal among you are those who spent before the conquest [of Makkah] and fought [and those who did so after it]. Those are greater in degree than they who spent afterwards and fought. But to all Allāh has promised the best [reward]. And Allāh, with what you do, is Acquainted.
11. Who is it that would loan Allāh a goodly loan so He will multiply it for him and he will have a noble reward?
12. On the Day you see the believing men and believing women, their light proceeding before them and on their right, [it will be said], "Your good tidings today are [of] gardens beneath which rivers flow, wherein you will abide eternally." That is what is the great attainment.
13. On the [same] Day the hypocrite men and hypocrite women will say to those who believed, "Wait for us that we may acquire some of your light." It will be said, "Go back behind you<sup>1519</sup> and seek light." And a wall will be placed between them with a door, its interior containing mercy, but on the outside of it is torment.
14. They [i.e., the hypocrites] will call to them [i.e., the believers], "Were we not with you?" They will say, "Yes, but you afflicted yourselves<sup>1520</sup> and awaited [misfortune for us] and doubted, and wishful thinking deluded you until there came the command of Allāh. And the Deceiver [i.e., Satan] deceived you concerning Allāh.

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<sup>1519</sup>To where light was acquired, i.e., in the worldly life.

<sup>1520</sup>By hypocrisy or by falling into temptations.