- 8. O you who have believed, repent to Allāh with sincere repentance. Perhaps¹⁵⁸⁴ your Lord will remove from you your misdeeds and admit you into gardens beneath which rivers flow [on] the Day when Allāh will not disgrace the Prophet and those who believed with him. Their light will proceed before them and on their right; they will say, "Our Lord, perfect for us our light and forgive us. Indeed, You are over all things competent."
- 9. O Prophet, strive against the disbelievers and the hypocrites and be harsh upon them. And their refuge is Hell, and wretched is the destination.
- 10. Allāh presents an example of those who disbelieved: the wife of Noah and the wife of Lot. They were under two of Our righteous servants but betrayed them,¹⁵⁸⁵ so they [i.e., those prophets] did not avail them from Allāh at all, and it was said, "Enter the Fire with those who enter."
- 11. And Allāh presents an example of those who believed: the wife of Pharaoh, when she said, "My Lord, build for me near You a house in Paradise and save me from Pharaoh and his deeds and save me from the wrongdoing people."
- 12. And [the example of] Mary, the daughter of 'Imrān, who guarded her chastity, so We blew into [her garment] through Our angel [i.e., Gabriel], and she believed in the words of her Lord and His scriptures and was of the devoutly obedient.

¹⁵⁸⁴ i.e., it is expected or promised.

¹⁵⁸⁵In the matter of religion.

Sūrah al-Mulk¹⁵⁸⁶

Bismillāhir-Rahmānir-Raheem

- 1. Blessed is He in whose hand is dominion, and He is over all things competent -
- 2. [He] who created death and life to test you [as to] which of you is best in deed - and He is the Exalted in Might, the Forgiving -
- 3. [And] who created seven heavens in layers.¹⁵⁸⁷ You do not see in the creation of the Most Merciful any inconsistency. So return [your] vision [to the sky]; do you see any breaks?
- 4. Then return [vour] vision twice again.¹⁵⁸⁸ [Your] vision will return to you humbled while it is fatigued.
- 5. And We have certainly beautified the nearest heaven with lamps [i.e., stars] and have made [from] them what is thrown at the devils¹⁵⁸⁹ and have prepared for them the punishment of the Blaze
- 6. And for those who disbelieved in their Lord is the punishment of Hell, and wretched is the destination.
- 7. When they are thrown into it, they hear from it a [dreadful] inhaling while it boils up.
- 8. It almost bursts with rage. Every time a company is thrown into it, its keepers ask them, "Did there not come to you a warner?"
- 9. They will say, "Yes, a warner had come to us, but we denied and said. 'Allah has not sent down anything. You are not but in great error.'"
- 10. And they will say, "If only we had been listening or reasoning, we would not be among the companions of the Blaze."

¹⁵⁸⁶*Al-Mulk*: Dominion. 1587.e., one covering or fitting over the other. 1588.e., repeatedly.

¹⁵⁸⁹ Thereby driving them from the heavens and preventing them from eavesdropping. See 72:8-9.