

forgotten or erred. Our Lord, and lay not upon us a burden like that which You laid upon those before us. Our Lord, and burden us not with that which we have no ability to bear. And pardon us; and forgive us; and have mercy upon us. You are our protector, so give us victory over the disbelieving people."⁹⁵

⁹⁵ Allāh (*subḥānahu wa ta'ālā*) concludes this *sūrah* by directing His servants how to supplicate Him, just as He taught them in *Sūrah al-Fātiḥah* how to praise Him and ask for guidance.

*Sūrah Āli ‘Imrān*⁹⁶

Bismillāhir-Raḥmānir-Raḥeem

1. Alif, Lām, Meem.⁹⁷
2. Allāh – there is no deity except Him, the Ever-Living, the Sustainer of existence.
3. He has sent down upon you, [O Muḥammad], the Book in truth, confirming what was before it. And He revealed the Torah and the Gospel
4. Before, as guidance for the people. And He revealed the Criterion [i.e., the Qur’ān]. Indeed, those who disbelieve in the verses of Allāh will have a severe punishment, and Allāh is Exalted in Might, the Owner of Retribution.
5. Indeed, from Allāh nothing is hidden in the earth nor in the heaven.
6. It is He who forms you in the wombs however He wills. There is no deity except Him, the Exalted in Might, the Wise.
7. It is He who has sent down to you, [O Muḥammad], the Book; in it are verses [that are] precise – they are the foundation of the Book – and others unspecific.⁹⁸ As for those in whose hearts is deviation [from truth], they will follow that of it which is unspecific, seeking discord and seeking an interpretation [suitable to them]. And no one knows its [true] interpretation except Allāh. But those firm in knowledge say, "We believe in it. All [of it] is from our Lord." And no one will be reminded except those of understanding,
8. [Who say], "Our Lord, let not our hearts deviate after You have guided us and grant us from Yourself mercy. Indeed, You are the Bestower.

⁹⁶ *Āli ‘Imrān*: The Family of ‘Imrān.

⁹⁷ See footnote to 2:1.

⁹⁸ Those which are stated in such a way that they are open to more than one interpretation or whose meaning is known only to Allāh, such as the opening letters of certain *sūrahs*.