

did not kill him, nor did they crucify him; but [another] was made to resemble him to them. And indeed, those who differ over it are in doubt about it. They have no knowledge of it except the following of assumption. And they did not kill him, for certain.²⁰³

158. Rather, Allāh raised him to Himself. And ever is Allāh Exalted in Might and Wise.
159. And there is none from the People of the Scripture but that he will surely believe in him [i.e., Jesus] before his death.²⁰⁴ And on the Day of Resurrection he will be against them a witness.
160. For wrongdoing on the part of the Jews, We made unlawful for them [certain] good foods which had been lawful to them, and for their averting from the way of Allāh many [people],
161. And [for] their taking of usury while they had been forbidden from it, and their consuming of the people's wealth unjustly. And We have prepared for the disbelievers among them a painful punishment.
162. But those firm in knowledge among them and the believers believe in what has been revealed to you, [O Muḥammad], and what was revealed before you. And the establishers of prayer [especially] and the givers of zakāh and the believers in Allāh and the Last Day – those We will give a great reward.
163. Indeed, We have revealed to you, [O Muḥammad], as We revealed to Noah and the prophets after him. And We revealed to Abraham, Ishmael, Isaac, Jacob, the Descendants,²⁰⁵ Jesus, Job, Jonah, Aaron, and Solomon, and to David We gave the book [of Psalms].

²⁰³ Another meaning is "And they did not kill him, being certain [of his identity]," i.e., they killed another assuming it was Jesus (upon whom be peace).

²⁰⁴ One interpretation is that "his death" refers to that of Jesus after his return to earth. Or it can mean "the death of every individual from among the People of the Scripture."

²⁰⁵ *Al-Asbāṭ*. See footnote to 2:136.

164. And [We sent] messengers about whom We have related [their stories] to you before and messengers about whom We have not related to you. And Allāh spoke to Moses with [direct] speech.
165. [We sent] messengers as bringers of good tidings and warners so that mankind will have no argument against Allāh after the messengers. And ever is Allāh Exalted in Might and Wise.
166. But Allāh bears witness to that which He has revealed to you. He has sent it down with His knowledge, and the angels bear witness [as well]. And sufficient is Allāh as Witness.
167. Indeed, those who disbelieve and avert [people] from the way of Allāh have certainly gone far astray.
168. Indeed, those who disbelieve and commit wrong [or injustice] – never will Allāh forgive them, nor will He guide them to a path,
169. Except the path of Hell; they will abide therein forever. And that, for Allāh, is [always] easy.
170. O mankind, the Messenger has come to you with the truth from your Lord, so believe; it is better for you. But if you disbelieve – then indeed, to Allāh belongs whatever is in the heavens and earth. And ever is Allāh Knowing and Wise.
171. O People of the Scripture, do not commit excess in your religion²⁰⁶ or say about Allāh except the truth. The Messiah, Jesus, the son of Mary, was but a messenger of Allāh and His word which He directed to Mary and a soul [created at a command] from Him. So believe in Allāh and His messengers. And do not say, "Three"; desist – it is better for you. Indeed, Allāh is but one God. Exalted is He above having a son. To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth. And sufficient is Allāh as Disposer of affairs.

²⁰⁶Such as attributing divine qualities to certain creations of Allāh or revering them excessively.